



## **COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT CASS COUNTY PROPOSITION A**

### **What is a county assistance district?**

A district created, if approved by voters, to produce funds from **sales tax** to be used only for specific purposes allowed for in State law. The Cass County Commissioners Court unanimously voted on August 9<sup>th</sup> 2022 to place this proposition on the ballot for voter consideration.

Texas State law allows county assistance district funds to be used for construction, maintenance or improvement of roads or highways; provision of law enforcement and detention services; maintenance or improvement of libraries, museums, parks or other recreational facilities; promotion of economic development and tourism; firefighting and fire prevention services and provision of services that benefit the public welfare.

The Cass County Commissioners Court is committed to using these funds to increase funding for use on county roads and infrastructure, economic development, and debt reduction, if approved by voters.

### **What are the boundaries of the proposed district?**

The proposed district would include all areas of Cass County **not** within the municipal limits of the Cities of Atlanta, Avinger, Bloomburg, Hughes Springs, Linden, and Queen City; and Emergency Services District #3.

### **Where would the funds come from?**

**Sales tax** not from property tax! If approved by voters, businesses that collect **sales tax** outside the municipal limits of the Cities of Atlanta, Avinger, Bloomburg, Hughes Springs, Linden, and Queen City; and Emergency Services District #3 would collect sales tax at the rate of 8.00% instead of the current 6.75%. We would pay 8.00% sales tax on purchases made outside the City Limits of Atlanta, Avinger, Bloomburg, Hughes Springs, Linden, and Queen City; and Emergency Services District #3 instead of the 8.25% we currently pay within those City Limits.

**What is this going to cost me?**

Currently a \$10.00 purchase for taxable goods or services OUTSIDE the City Limits would result in a sales tax of 67 cents. If approved, that same purchase would result in a sales tax of 80 cents. This would not cause any goods or services currently not taxable to become taxable. We would simply pay sales tax outside the city limits as we currently pay inside the city limits.

**What would the funds be used for?**

**Revenue for Roads!** While State Law allows for several uses, the Cass County Commissioners Court is putting this proposition forward as a way to generate funds for county road maintenance **without increasing the property tax burden** placed on property owners.

**How much revenue would this generate?**

The Texas Comptroller’s Office conducted a data analysis resulting in a conservative estimate of approximately \$3,700 annually based on current sales data of businesses outside the municipal limits of the Cities of Atlanta, Avinger, Bloomburg, Hughes Springs, Linden, and Queen City; and Emergency Services District #3 .

**Who may vote on the proposal?**

All registered voters who reside within the boundaries of the proposed district may vote on the proposition.

**When and where can I vote?**

Voting times and locations are as follows:

**Early Voting – Cass County Voting Building, 227 E. Rush St., Linden and North East Texas Property Management Building, 101 East Pinecrest Dr., Atlanta**

October 24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
October 31 <sup>st</sup> – November 4 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

**Election Day – November 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM**

See attached Exhibit B

**EXHIBIT B  
CASS COUNTY VOTE CENTERS  
CASS COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 SPECIAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

The following locations will be open during Election Day  
only from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1 VOTING LOCATIONS**

<u>VOTING PRECINCT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
1 & 4 Linden & New Colony	Cass County Voting Building	227 E Rush St Linden
2 Kildare	Kildare Community Center	CR 1779 Hwy 125 Kildare
5 Avinger	Main Street Education Building	#7 N. Main St. Avinger

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2 VOTING LOCATIONS**

6 & 7 Crossroads & Hughes Springs	Hughes Springs Community Center	902 E First St Hwy 11 Hughes Springs
9 Marietta	Marietta Community Association Building (old Marietta School)	308 N Central Ave. Marietta
11&15 Douglassville & O'Farrell	Morris Building at Bowie Cass Electric	Hwy 8 N. Douglassville

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3 VOTING LOCATIONS**

12 Domino	Graphic Packaging Employee Association Building	11690 FM 3129 Queen City
13T Atlanta	Atlanta City Hall	315 N. Buckner St. Atlanta
14 Queen City	Queen City, City Hall	601 Loop 236 Queen City

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4 POLLING LOCATIONS**

16 Bloomburg	Bloomburg City Hall	121 East Main Bloomburg
17& 18 Atlanta Smyrna	North East Texas Property Management Bldg	101 East Pinecrest Dr Atlanta
19, 20,21 Huffines Bivins McLeod	Huffines Community Center	6487 FM 251 Huffines