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BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS TO
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WHEREAS, the remaining five (5) Board members are elected by the taxing entities within Tarrant County; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County may nominate up to five (5) candidates to be elected to the Tarrant Appraisal District's Board of Directors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tarrant County Commissioners Court nominates:

Lee Henderson
Sayeda Syed
Mattie Peterson Compton

for election to the Tarrant Appraisal District's Board of Directors for terms beginning January 1, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this the 1st day of October 2024.

Tim O'Hare
County Judge

Roy Charles Brooks
County Commissioner, Precinct 1

Alisa Simmons
County Commissioner, Precinct 2

Gary Fickes
County Commissioner, Precinct 3

Manny Ramirez
County Commissioner, Precinct 4



Joe Don Bobbitt
Executive Director
Chief Appraiser

September 10, 2024

The Honorable Tim O'Hare
County Judge
Tarrant County
100 E. Weatherford St.
Fort Worth, Texas 76196

RE: Nomination and Appointment to TAD Board of Directors

Dear Judge O'Hare:

The current terms of the five appointed members of the Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors will expire on December 31, 2024. The first step in appointing voting members for the term beginning January 1, 2025 is calculating the number of votes to which the taxing units are entitled. As required by Section 6.03 of the Property Tax Code, I have calculated and provide in the enclosed list the number of votes for each school district, city, and county entity that is entitled to participate in the appointment process. The **next step** is nomination of candidates. Taxing units are not required to submit any nominations but, if they choose to do so, the **nominations may be made only by a resolution adopted by the governing body and the presiding officer of the governing body must submit the names of the nominees to me *BEFORE* October 15, 2024, which means the nominations must be received by our office no later than October 14, 2024.**

To be eligible to serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors, an individual must have resided in Tarrant County for at least the two years immediately preceding January 1, 2025. An individual who is otherwise eligible is not ineligible because he or she is a member of the government body of a taxing unit. Texas law restricts eligibility and conduct of members of governmental bodies such as appraisal districts' board of directors. In consultation with your attorneys, please review the Property Tax Code and other applicable laws carefully for the details of those restrictions, including definitions of "substantial interest", "business entity", "deferred", "abated", and other terms used below and for the potential criminal consequences of violating certain restrictions. In summary, the Property Tax Code provides that the following are ineligible to serve as voting members of the Board of Directors:

- An individual who has been an employee of the Tarrant Appraisal District at any time during the preceding three years;
- An individual who has served as a voting member of the Board of Directors for all or part of five terms since January 1, 2022
- An individual who is an employee of a taxing unit that participates in Tarrant Appraisal District unless the individual is also a member of the governing body or an elected official of a taxing unit that participates in the District;

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- An individual who, directly or through a business entity in which he or she has a substantial interest, is a party to a contract with Tarrant Appraisal District or a taxing unit that participates in the District, if the contract relates to the performance of any activity governed by the Property Tax Code;
- An individual who has engaged in the business of appraising property for compensation for use in proceedings under the Property Tax Code at any time during the preceding three years;
- An individual who has engaged in the business of representing property owners for compensation in proceedings under the Property Tax Code in Tarrant County at any time during the preceding three years;
- An individual who is related by blood or marriage to an individual who is engaged in the business of appraising property for compensation for use in proceedings under the Property Tax Code or of representing property owners for compensation in proceedings under the Property Tax Code in Tarrant County, if the relationship is within the 1st or 2nd degrees on the following chart;

Degrees of Consanguinity and Affinity

1 st DEGREE	2 nd DEGREE	3 rd DEGREE
<p>By Consanguinity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents • Children <p>By Affinity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spouses of relatives listed under first degree consanguinity • Spouse • Spouse's parents • Spouse's children • Stepparents • Stepchildren 	<p>By Consanguinity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grandparents • Grandchildren • Brothers & sisters <p>By Affinity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spouses of relatives listed by second degree consanguinity • Spouse's grandparents • Spouse's grandchildren • Spouse's brothers & sisters 	<p>By Consanguinity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great grandparents • Great grandchildren • Nieces & nephews • Aunts & uncles <p>By Affinity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No prohibitions

- an individual who owns property on which delinquent taxes have been owed to a taxing unit for more than 60 days after the date the individual knew or should have known of the delinquency unless the delinquent taxes, penalty, and interest are being paid under an installment plan or a suit to collect the delinquent taxes is deferred or abated.

When submitting nominations to jwooddell@tad.org, please include not only the full name of each candidate, but also his or her complete residence address and a current biography. From timely submitted nominations, I will prepare and distribute before October 30th a ballot to each



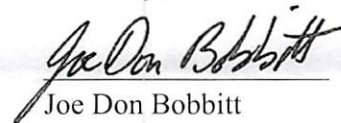
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taxing unit entitled to participate in the appointment process. The appointment process may be summarized as follows:

<i>before</i> October 01, 2024	Chief Appraiser calculates numbers of votes and notifies taxing units
<i>before</i> October 15, 2024	Governing bodies of taxing units nominate candidates by resolution and send names to Chief Appraiser
<i>before</i> October 30, 2024	Chief Appraiser prepares ballot and sends it to taxing units
<i>before</i> December 15, 2024 for most taxing units but see the different requirements in section 6.03(k-1) that applies only to “each taxing unit entitled to cast at least five percent of the total votes”, which in this appointment cycle means 250 or more votes on the enclosed list	Governing bodies of taxing units determine their votes by resolution and send votes to Chief Appraiser
<i>before</i> December 31, 2024	Chief Appraiser counts votes, determines which 5 candidates received the most votes, and submits results to taxing units
January 01, 2025	new term begins

Copies of the Nomination Letter, the Ballot Letter, and the Results Letter and enclosures will be posted at www.tad.org/Board-Appointment-Process for your convenience. Entity nominations, nominee biographies, and entity votes will be uploaded as submitted. Please bookmark this communication tool in lieu of PIA requests and phone inquiries. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



Joe Don Bobbitt
Executive Director
Chief Appraiser

JDB:jw
Enclosure

CC: Roy Charles Brooks



TARRANT APPRAISAL DISTRICT
2024 Calculation of Taxing Entity Votes for Board of Directors
Per Section 6.03(d) of Texas Property Tax Code

	2023 TAXES IMPOSED	% OF TOTAL	2024 VOTES
School Districts:			
Aledo ISD	6,131,473	0.11075%	6
Arlington ISD	449,339,758	8.11586%	406
Azle ISD	26,757,803	0.48329%	24
Birdville ISD	178,756,575	3.22866%	161
Burleson ISD	29,051,705	0.52472%	26
Carroll ISD	126,974,245	2.29338%	115
Castleberry ISD	16,163,500	0.29194%	15
Crowley ISD	141,730,903	2.55991%	128
Eagle Mountain/Saginaw ISD	197,162,524	3.56110%	178
Everman ISD	25,800,708	0.46601%	23
Fort Worth ISD	593,404,765	10.71793%	536
Godley ISD	1,285,755	0.02322%	1
Grapevine/Colleyville ISD	188,683,742	3.40796%	170
Hurst/Eules/Bedford ISD	188,555,828	3.40565%	170
Keller ISD	278,949,682	5.03832%	252
Kennedale ISD	24,972,025	0.45104%	23
Lake Worth ISD	19,932,270	0.36001%	18
Lewisville ISD	6,486,148	0.11715%	6
Mansfield ISD	225,674,872	4.07608%	204
Northwest ISD	161,450,254	2.91607%	146
White Settlement ISD	40,321,570	0.72828%	36
Total Schools	\$ 2,927,586,104	52.87733%	2644
Cities:			
City of Arlington	234,044,834	4.22726%	211
City of Azle	7,311,615	0.13206%	7
City of Bedford	29,123,128	0.52601%	26
City of Benbrook	18,003,459	0.32517%	16
City of Blue Mound	1,867,773	0.03374%	2
City of Burleson	6,585,215	0.11894%	6
City of Colleyville	19,359,700	0.34967%	17
City of Crowley	11,329,035	0.20462%	10
City of Dalworthington Gardens	2,683,830	0.04847%	2
Edgecliff Village	918,338	0.01659%	1
City of Eules	30,920,591	0.55848%	28
City of Everman	3,597,742	0.06498%	3
City of Flower Mound	2,207,765	0.03988%	2

City of Forest Hill	7,061,450	0.12754%	6
City of Fort Worth	730,749,438	13.19861%	660
City of Grand Prairie	70,893,423	1.28046%	64
City of Grapevine	30,588,773	0.55249%	28
City of Haltom City	22,894,575	0.41352%	21
City of Haslet	5,622,782	0.10156%	5
City of Hurst	23,713,609	0.42831%	21
City of Keller	24,518,629	0.44285%	22
City of Kennedale	8,649,162	0.15622%	8
Town of Lakeside	1,076,854	0.01945%	1
City of Lake Worth	2,754,231	0.04975%	2
City of Mansfield	63,492,884	1.14679%	57
City of N. Richland Hills	41,212,868	0.74438%	37
Town of Pantego	2,529,168	0.04568%	2
City of Pelican Bay	957,767	0.01730%	1
City of Reno	52,401	0.00095%	0
City of Richland Hills	4,960,043	0.08959%	4
City of River Oaks	3,589,961	0.06484%	3
City of Roanoke	493,962	0.00892%	0
City of Saginaw	15,125,861	0.27320%	14
City of Sansom Park	2,190,078	0.03956%	2
City of Southlake	35,285,741	0.63732%	32
Town of Trophy Club	666,770	0.01204%	1
City of Watauga	11,730,967	0.21188%	11
Town of Westlake	3,896,972	0.07039%	4
City of Westover Hills	3,303,687	0.05967%	3
Westworth Village	2,395,613	0.04327%	2
City of White Settlement	9,970,052	0.18008%	9
Total Cities	\$ 1,498,330,747	27.06248%	1353
Other:			
Tarrant County	551,272,993	9.95696%	498
Tarrant County College	559,372,168	10.10324%	505
Total Other	\$ 1,110,645,161	20.06020%	1003
Total All	\$ 5,536,562,012	100%	5000



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