

**RESOLUTION NO. 209-2023**

**A RESOLUTION CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF A BOND ELECTION; AND OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

WHEREAS, the City Council (the *Council*) of the City of Abilene, Texas (the *City*) ordered an election to be held on November 7, 2023 for the purpose of determining whether the qualified voters of the City would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed and investigated all matters pertaining to this election, including the resolution, notices, election officers, holding, and returns thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Council has diligently inquired into the poll lists and the official election returns which were duly and lawfully made to the Council by the judges and clerks holding and conducting such election; the poll lists and the official election returns showing separately the votes cast in the election; and

WHEREAS, the precinct returns are attached and incorporated for all purposes; and

WHEREAS, from these returns, this Council hereby finds that the following votes were cast in the election by voters who were qualified voters of the City:

PROPOSITION A

THE ISSUANCE OF \$15,000,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY ZOO AND THE LEVY OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

	For	Against
Early Votes in Person	2,734	1,745
Early Votes by Mail (absentee)	194	129
Election Day Votes	3,098	2,312
TOTAL	6,026	4,186

Under Votes, if any: 0 Total      Votes Cast: 10,212  
Provisional Ballots, if any: Counted: 0      Uncounted: 0

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PROPOSITION B

THE ISSUANCE OF \$28,000,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY RECREATION CENTERS AND THE LEVY OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

	For	Against
Early Votes in Person	2,307	2,115
Early Votes by Mail (absentee)	172	147
Election Day Votes	2,644	2,711
TOTAL	5,123	4,973

Under Votes, if any: 0      Total Votes Cast: 10,096  
Provisional Ballots, if any: Counted: 0      Uncounted: 0

PROPOSITION C

THE ISSUANCE OF \$9,000,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR CITY HIKE AND BIKE TRAILS AND THE LEVY OF TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

	For	Against
Early Votes in Person	2,083	2,344
Early Votes by Mail (absentee)	126	196
Election Day Votes	2,403	2,971
TOTAL	4,612	5,511

Under Votes, if any: 0      Total Votes Cast: 10,123  
Provisional Ballots, if any: Counted: 0      Uncounted: 0

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ACCORDINGLY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1: The Council officially finds, determines, and declares that the election was properly ordered, that legal notice of such election was properly given, that proper election officers were appointed prior to the election, that the election was legally held, that all qualified voters of the City were permitted to vote at the election, that due returns of the results of the election had been made and delivered, and that the Council has duly canvassed such returns, all in accordance with state and federal laws and the document calling the election.

SECTION 2: A MAJORITY of the qualified voters of the City of Abilene, Texas voting in such election, having voted FOR Proposition A, the Council hereby finds and determines this Proposition carried at the election, that the election was duly called, that proper notice was given, that the election was held in all aspects in conformity with the law, and that the Council is hereby accordingly authorized to issue the bonds and to levy the tax in accordance with the law and the authority granted in the Proposition and corresponding Measure stated in the City's election order.

SECTION 3: A MAJORITY of the qualified voters of the City of Abilene, Texas voting in such election, having voted FOR Proposition B, the Council hereby finds and determines this Proposition carried at the election, that the election was duly called, that proper notice was given, that the election was held in all aspects in conformity with the law, and that the Council is hereby accordingly authorized to issue the bonds and to levy the tax in accordance with the law and the authority granted in the Proposition and corresponding Measure stated in the City's election order.

SECTION 4: A MAJORITY of the qualified voters of the City of Abilene, Texas voting in such election, having voted AGAINST Proposition C, the Council hereby finds and determines this Proposition failed at the election, that the election was duly called, that proper notice was given, and that the election was held in all aspects in conformity with the law.

SECTION 5: The recitals contained in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found to be true, and such recitals are hereby made a part of this Resolution for all purposes and are adopted as a part of the judgment and findings of the Council.

SECTION 6: All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Resolution shall be and remain controlling as to the matters resolved herein.

SECTION 7: This Resolution shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 8: If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Resolution and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and the Council hereby declares that this Resolution would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 9: It is officially found, determined, and declared that the meeting at which this Resolution is adopted was open to the public and public notice of the time, place, and subject matter of the public business to be considered at such meeting, including this Resolution, was given, all as required by Chapter 551, as amended, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 10: This Resolution shall be in force and effect from and after its final passage and it is so resolved.

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**City of Abilene Cumulative Results**

LIVE 2023 Constitutional Amendment and Special

Run Time 4:04 PM  
Run Date 11/14/2023

**Taylor County**

**2023 Constitutional Amendment and Special Elections**

11/7/2023

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**Official Results**

Registered Voters  
10306 of 85972 = 11.99%  
Polling Places Reporting  
25 of 25 = 100.00%  
Paper Sheets Counted  
10,306

**CITY OF ABILENE PROPOSITION A**

Choice	Party	Absentee Voting		Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total	
FOR		192	60.19%	2,734	61.11%	3,064	57.60%	5,990	59.24%
AGAINST		127	39.81%	1,740	38.89%	2,255	42.40%	4,122	40.76%
Cast Votes:		319	100.00%	4,474	100.00%	5,319	100.00%	10,112	100.00%

**CITY OF ABILENE PROPOSITION B**

Choice	Party	Absentee Voting		Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total	
FOR		170	53.97%	2,307	52.23%	2,613	49.64%	5,090	50.92%
AGAINST		145	46.03%	2,110	47.77%	2,651	50.36%	4,906	49.08%
Cast Votes:		315	100.00%	4,417	100.00%	5,264	100.00%	9,996	100.00%

**CITY OF ABILENE PROPOSITION C**

Choice	Party	Absentee Voting		Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total	
FOR		124	38.99%	2,083	47.11%	2,378	45.01%	4,585	45.74%
AGAINST		194	61.01%	2,339	52.89%	2,905	54.99%	5,438	54.26%
Cast Votes:		318	100.00%	4,422	100.00%	5,283	100.00%	10,023	100.00%

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Summary Results Report  
TX Jones 231107 Amendment 6110  
November 7, 2023

OFFICIAL RESULTS  
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**Statistics**

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
Registered Voters - Total	10,604			
Ballots Cast - Total	1,964	75	404	1,485
Voter Turnout - Total	18.52%			

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**STATE PROP 1**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,773	68	373	1,332
Against	171	6	25	140
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,944</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>1,472</b>

**STATE PROP 2**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,258	46	263	949
Against	638	28	121	489
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,896</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>1,438</b>

**STATE PROP 3**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,556	51	320	1,185
Against	345	22	72	251
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>1,436</b>

**STATE PROP 4**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,762	57	378	1,327
Against	186	18	23	145
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>1,472</b>

**STATE PROP 5**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,081	46	222	813
Against	812	27	165	620
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,893</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>1,433</b>

**STATE PROP 6**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,527	59	328	1,140
Against	385	14	61	310
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>1,450</b>

**STATE PROP 7**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,376	57	295	1,024
Against	527	18	92	417
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>1,441</b>

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**STATE PROP 8**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,274	48	276	950
Against	631	25	112	494
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,905</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>1,444</b>

**STATE PROP 9**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,584	59	326	1,199
Against	348	14	68	266
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,932</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>1,465</b>

**STATE PROP 10**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,108	41	230	837
Against	775	31	148	596
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,883</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>1,433</b>

**STATE PROP 11**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	916	32	206	678
Against	901	37	158	706
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,817</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>1,384</b>

**STATE PROP 12**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	939	28	207	704
Against	809	42	146	621
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,748</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>1,325</b>

**STATE PROP 13**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	744	28	160	556
Against	1,135	45	229	861
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,879</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>1,417</b>

**STATE PROP 14**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
For	1,402	52	295	1,055
Against	479	23	82	374
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>1,881</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>1,429</b>

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**PROPOSITION A City of Abilene**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
FOR	36	2	0	34
AGAINST	64	2	5	57
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>91</b>

**PROPOSITION B City of Abilene**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
FOR	33	2	0	31
AGAINST	67	2	5	60
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>91</b>

**PROPOSITION C City of Abilene**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
FOR	27	2	0	25
AGAINST	73	2	5	66
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>91</b>

**PROPOSITION A Merkel ISD**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
FOR	31	1	6	24
AGAINST	84	8	11	65
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>89</b>

**PROPOSITION B Merkel ISD**

Vote For 1

	TOTAL	Absentee	Early Voting	Election Day
FOR	24	1	5	18
AGAINST	91	8	12	71
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>89</b>

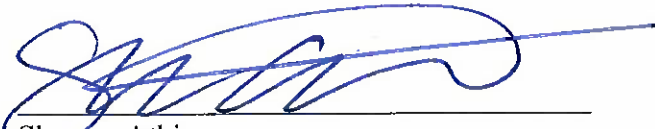


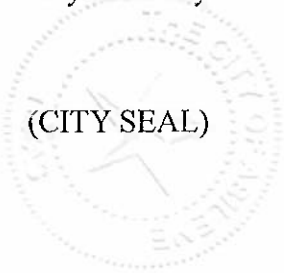
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CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS

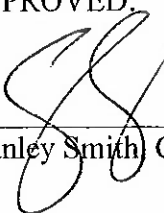
  
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Weldon Hurt  
Mayor

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Shawna Atkinson  
City Secretary



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