

## RESOLUTION 1-10-2017

### A RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE NUMBER OF VOTING POSITIONS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GOLIAD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

**WHEREAS**, Goliad County Appraisal District is responsible for appraising property in the district for ad valorem tax purposes for EACH taxing unit that imposes ad valorem taxes on property in the District, and

**WHEREAS**, the current Goliad County Appraisal District Board of Directors ("Board") is comprised of five members with three members being from Goliad Independent School District ("Goliad ISD") and two being from Goliad County, leaving three taxing units without voice on the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, although as a taxing unit, the City of Goliad is eligible to serve on the Board and although ad valorem tax dollars does provide funds for the operation of the Goliad County Appraisal District, the City of Goliad does not have representation on the Board of Directors of the Goliad County Appraisal District because of the method of choosing board members; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 6.031, Local Administration, Texas Tax Code, does allow for the taxing units participating in an appraisal district to increase the number of members on the board of directors of the district to not more than 13, change the method or procedure for appointing the members. Or both, if the governing bodies of three-fourths of the taxing units that are entitled to vote on appointment of board members adopt resolutions providing for the change; and

**WHEREAS**, a change under this subsection is not valid if it reduces the voting entitlement of one or more taxing units that do not adopt a resolution proposing it to less than a majority of the voting entitlement under Section 6.03 of this code or if it reduces the voting entitlement of any taxing unit that does not adopt a resolution proposing it to less than 50 percent of its voting entitlement under Section 6.03 of that taxing unit's allocation of the budget is not reduced to the same proportional percentage amount, or if it expands the types of the taxing units that are entitled to vote on appointment of board members; and

**WHEREAS**, the change desired by the City of Goliad is that it have at least one member on the Board as well as allow the other taxing units, San Antonio River Authority and the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District, to each have one member on the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, such change would result in no appreciable voting entitlement changes: Goliad ISD – 60%; Goliad County – 36%; City of Goliad – 2%, San Antonio River Authority – 1% and Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District – 1%; however, and more importantly, such change in numbers of Board members would expand and allow each taxing entity within Goliad County would have at least one vote on matters impacting appraisal of property in Goliad County.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The City Council of the City of Goliad hereby adopts this resolution requesting that the Goliad County Appraisal District Board of Directors be expanded to 7 appointed members with two members representing Goliad ISD, 2 members representing Goliad County, 1 member representing the City of Goliad, 1 member representing the San Antonio River Authority, and 1 member representing Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District. Each member will be appointed by their respective taxing entity.

Upon motion duly made by <sup>Councilman</sup> LILL, and seconded by <sup>Councilwoman</sup> ALANIZ, and upon discussion, the City Council voted 5 in favor and 0 opposed 0 abstained, and 0 absent, and the motion thereby passed on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of JAN., 2017.



City of Goliad

By: 

Trudia Preston, Mayor

ATTEST: 

K. M. Hubert, City Secretary