

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPELL,
TEXAS TO RECOMMEND AN AMENDMENT TO SB 2 AND HB 2
RELATING TO AD VALOREM TAXATION; TO PROVIDE THE
CALLING OF ELECTION TO EXCEED THE ROLLBACK RATE FROM
78 DAYS TO 46 DAYS; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE;
PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE AND PROVIDING WITH AN
EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Reform and Relief Act of 2019 has four main goals of lowering the rollback rate, require an automatic tax ratification election, make information more accessible, timely and easier for property owners to express their opinions; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed bill promotes the understandability and usefulness of the notice to the taxpayers; and,

WHEREAS, under current law, voters may petition for a rollback election when the taxing unit adopts a rate that includes an increase in the rate of more than eight percent; and,

WHEREAS, Section 42 of the proposed legislation seeks to amend Section 26.08 (b) of the Tax Code, by requiring the governing body to order the election to be held on the November uniform election date as prescribed by Section 41.001, Election Code, and to order the calling of the election no later than the 78th day before the election, or August 15th; and

WHEREAS, this proposed election requirement is not practical; and

WHEREAS, under current law, Section 3.005 (d), Election Code, states an election under Section 26.08, Tax Code, to ratify a tax rate adopted by the governing body of a school district shall be ordered not later than the 30th day before election day remains in alignment with the uniform election date in November and allows for the election order to be called no later than the 46th day before election day, or September 15th.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF COPPELL THAT:**

SECTION 1. The City of Coppell recommends amending Section 42 of SB 2 and HB 2 by amending Section 26.08 (b), Tax Code, to allow for the date of the order of the calling of the election to be no later than the 46th day instead of 78 days before the uniformed November election date; and,

SECTION 2. That any other prior resolution of the City Council in conflict with the provisions contained in this Resolution are hereby repealed and revoked.

SECTION 3. Should any part of this resolution be held to be invalid for any reason, the remainder shall not be affected thereby, and such remaining portions are hereby declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage as provided by law.

DULY PASSED and approved by the City Council of the City of Coppel, Texas, on this the ____ day of _____, 2019.

APPROVED:

Karen Selbo Hunt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christel Pettinos, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Robert E. Hager, City Attorney