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## M E M O

TO: Denton County, School Districts and Cities that Levy a Tax

FROM: Don Spencer, Chief Appraiser

SUBJECT: Request for Nominations for DCAD Board of Directors

DATE: August 14, 2024

It is time again for the Denton County taxing entities to select five individuals to serve as the DCAD Board of Directors. Each jurisdiction may nominate by written resolution up to five people to be considered for the DCAD Board of Directors. According to Section 6.03 of the Texas Property Tax Code, it is the chief appraiser's responsibility to initiate this process, which is the purpose of this memo.

Please note that a chief appraiser does not have the authority, or the duty, to investigate or judge the qualifications of the nominees. Further, a chief appraiser cannot extend the deadline for receiving nominations.

**Please return your nomination(s) by written resolution before October 15, 2024.**

Please provide the name and address of the nominee(s). The District will send a questionnaire to each nominee requesting additional information to assist the entities in the voting process.



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### CALENDAR FOR APPOINTMENTS:

1. Before October 1st - Each jurisdiction will be advised of the number of votes they are entitled to cast in the election of the board of directors (those numbers are included in this email).
2. Before October 15th - The governing body of each jurisdiction may nominate by written resolution up to five candidate(s) to the DCAD Board of Directors. (The number of votes that each jurisdiction has is not relevant in the initial nomination phase.)
3. Before October 30th - A comprehensive list of the nominees will be compiled and this information will be sent to the taxing jurisdictions in the form of a ballot.
4. Before December 15th - The taxing jurisdictions choose by written resolution the candidate, or candidates, of their choice. The jurisdictions then submit the names of their candidates and the votes they cast for each candidate before the December 15th deadline.
5. Before December 31st – A tabulation of the votes will be forwarded to the jurisdictions. The five candidates that have received the most votes become the Board of Directors as of January 1st.



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## SELECTING A NOMINEE

**AUTHORITATIVE GUIDELINES** - The selection process is set forth in Section 6.03 of the Property Tax Code. This process is not an "election" governed by the Texas Election Code. It is an independent procedure unique to the property tax system.

**ELIGIBILITY** - An appraisal district director must reside in Denton County for at least two years immediately preceding the date he or she takes office. Most residents are eligible to serve as a director. An individual that is serving on the governing body of a city, county, or school district is eligible to serve as an appraisal district's director.

An employee of a taxing unit served by the appraisal district is **not** eligible to serve as a director. However, if the employee is an elected official, he or she is eligible to serve.

A statute relevant to the Board selection process prohibits nepotism and conflict of interest for appraisal district directors and chief appraisers. In summary, the law states that:

..... "a person may not serve as director if closely related to anyone in the appraisal district or if related to anyone who represents owners in the district, or if the person has an interest in a business that contracts with the district or a taxing unit. A chief appraiser may not employ someone closely related to a member of the board of directors".

**TERM OF OFFICE** – Section 5.13(d) of SB2 Second Special Session 88th Legislature redefined the terms for appointed positions on the appraisal district board of directors. For the term of office beginning on January 1, 2025, officers will serve either a one or a three year term. All terms thereafter will be 4 year staggered terms. Term length each appointed position will be determined by drawing during the first calendar meeting of 2025.

**FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS** - The applicable statutes require the board of directors to meet a minimum of once each calendar quarter.