Killeen Independent School District Board Agenda Item Action Sheet

Date: September 23, 2025

Agenda Item Caption: Resolution to Nominate Candidate(s) for the Board of Directors of the Tax

Appraisal District of Bell County for 2026

Purpose of Agenda Item: Action needed

Administrative Recommendation: Move to approve the proposed resolution to nominate the following candidate(s) for the Board of Directors of the Tax Appraisal District of Bell County for 2026:

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Background Information: Texas Property Tax Code was amended during the 88th Legislative Session to change the process for selecting the Board of Directors (BOD) for Bell County Appraisal District (Bell CAD). Currently, the board is made up of nine members as listed below.

Board MemberAppointed / ElectedKevin Koch, ChairmanElected Place 1

Joe Burnett, Vice Chairman / Secretary
Jared Bryan
Entity Elected – Term Ends 2026
Entity Elected – Term Ends 2025
Entity Elected – Term Ends 2025
Entity Elected – Term Ends 2025
Entity Elected – Term Ends 2026
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Gopal Guttikonda Elected Place 2
Ashley Smith Elected Place 3

Shay Luedeke (Ex-Officio) Elected Tax Assessor-Collector

Rather than specific entities appointing members, all entities nominate up to two candidates (by resolution). Once Bell CAD receives all nominations, the Bell CAD will produce a ballot with all nominations and send it to all entities. The entities will each have a certain number of votes to cast towards the candidates of their choice. Because there are two seats, there are 2,000 votes. Each entity will get a percentage of the 2,000 votes based off the percentage of the total tax levy, calculated at 338 votes for Killeen ISD.

Entities will need to submit a resolution from the governing body for their nominations first, and then again for their votes once Bell CAD has sent out the ballot.

The timeline for each of these resolutions is very quick and has specific requirements. Please see the timeline below.

Board of Directors Entity Selection Timeline:

- Before October 1st Chief appraiser will deliver to all entities the amount of votes that each entity gets based on tax levies
- Before October 15th Entity will submit their choice of nominee name and address by resolution to Chief Appraiser (scheduled on September 23rd Board meeting for action)
- Before October 30th Chief Appraiser will prepare a ballot with all nominees and deliver to all entities
- Before December 15th All Entities must submit to the Chief Appraiser their vote by resolution (scheduled on November 4 Board workshop for discussion and November 18 Board meeting for action)

Fiscal Analysis: None

Regulatory Requirement: None

Contact Person for Additional Questions/Information:

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Attachments: Resolution

Signature Requested: Yes