

## **RESOLUTION 25-24**

### **ORDERING THE CONTINUED ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COCHISE COUNTY JAIL DISTRICT CONTINGENT UPON VOTER APPROVAL OF AN EXCISE TAX AND AFFIRMING THE EXCISE TAX QUESTION BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, County Boards of Supervisors are authorized, pursuant to Title 48, chapter 25 (§§ 48-4001, et seq.) of the Arizona Revised Statutes (“A.R.S.”) to establish county jail districts for the purpose of constructing and financing county jails and jail systems upon voter approval of a dedicated tax levy to be used only for that purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 1, 2025, the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County (“Board”), approved Resolution 25-\_\_\_\_, stating its intent to consider the continued establishment of the Cochise County Jail District (the “Jail District”); and

**WHEREAS**, on August 5, 2025, a public hearing on Resolution 25-\_\_\_\_ was held pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-4001(B), at which time the Board heard persons appearing in favor of and against the continued establishment of the Jail District; and

**WHEREAS**, after the above-referenced public hearing, the Board, pursuant to A.R.S. § 48-4001(C), considered whether the public interest would be served by the continued establishment of the Jail District.

#### **IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED:**

1. That the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County finds that the public interest, convenience, and necessity will be served by the continued establishment of the Jail District.
2. That the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County hereby orders the continued establishment of the Jail District contingent upon voter approval of an excise tax as described in A.R.S. § 48-4022, generally with a maximum effective rate not to exceed ½ cent, or .50 percent.

3. That, if approved, collection of the excise tax shall be terminated upon the earlier of ninety days after payment in full of any financing secured by such tax for county jail facilities or July 1, 2043.
4. That the Board acknowledges and affirms that the question of the excise tax be included on the ballot of the election to be held on November 4, 2025.
5. That a publicity pamphlet shall be prepared and distributed in the manner provided A.R.S § 48-4021(C) and that the pamphlet shall include those written arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed tax levy that have been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors no later than 5:00 P.M. on August 6, 2025. Such deadline was published in the Sierra Vista Herald-Review, a newspaper of general circulation within the county, on July 9, 2025 and July 16, 2025.
6. That the Jail District shall be known in all proceedings as the "Cochise County Jail District" with the boundaries of the Jail District to be those of all of Cochise County including the incorporated and unincorporated areas.
7. That the revenues generated by the proposed excise tax shall be used only for constructing and financing county jail facilities.

**DATED** this 5th day of August 2025.

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Frank Antenori, Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Lara Loewenheim  
Clerk of the Board

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**



7/29/2025

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