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Mr. David L. Fuentes
Hidalgo County Commissioner - Precinct 1
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Re: Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No.1 (the District)
Recommendation to Extend Terms of Current Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioner Fuentes:

I have the pleasure to serve as the attorney for the District. In such capacity, I have been requested by the Board of Commissioners to advise you that the Board consists of five (5) commissioners serving two (2) year terms on the following rotational basis:

Place 1: VACANT – a recommendation for a replacement has previously been provided to you but no action has taken place so the vacancy continues

Place 2: Commissioner James A. Vos; Term ending 12/31/2026,

Place 3: Commissioner Jennifer Rektorik; Term ending 12/31/2025,

Place 4: Commissioner Mark McCaleb; Term ending 12/31/2025, and

Place 5: Commissioner Ramon Montalvo, III; Term ending 12/31/2025.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 775.034 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, since all property within the District is located in Hidalgo County, the appointment of commissioners for the District is the duty and responsibility of the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court. In order to serve, a person must be (1) at least 18 years of age, and (2) a resident citizen of the state and either (A) a qualified voter within areas served by the District; or (B) the owner of land subject to taxation in the District. Commissioners for the District are appointed for a two (2) year term and serve until a successor has been appointed and qualified. Pursuant to Section 775.034(e) of the Texas Health and Safety Code, the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court also has the duty of filing the vacancies resulting from the death of Commissioner Latigo.

While it is the duty of the entire Hidalgo County Commissioners Court to appoint commissioners for the District, it is the District's understanding that, as a matter of courtesy, the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court has deferred to the County Commissioner whose Precinct covers the District in making such appointments. In this case, since the District lies wholly within the boundaries of Precinct 1, this duty and responsibility is now yours.

Even though the Board of Commissioners of the District realize that the choice of who to appoint as the a commissioner is up to you and the other members of the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court, the District's Board of Commissioners has asked that I advise you that **Commissioner Rektorik, Commissioner McCaleb and Commissioner Montalvo are still qualified to serve and have indicated a willingness to continue to serve if reappointed.**

As such, the Board of Commissioners for the District hereby requests that you consider their recommendation and, if you agree therewith, that you place an "Action Item" on the agenda of the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court to obtain a proper motion and resolution **re-appointing Jennifer Rektorik for Place 3, Mark McCaleb for Place 4 and Ramon Montalvo, III for Place 5 to serve a two (2) year term from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028.**

In any event, it would be appreciated if you would keep my office advised of when such re-appointments will be considered by the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court, the result of such consideration and the names and addresses of the persons appointed to fill such positions.

Likewise, if you or the County Attorney have any questions regarding this request or the operations of the District, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



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