



**RESOLUTION AND ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF JIM WELLS COUNTY,  
TEXAS APPROVING PETITION AND ORDERING AN ELECTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER  
CERTAIN ANIMALS SHALL BE PROHIBITED FROM RUNNING AT LARGE**

**WHEREAS,**

1. Pursuant to Texas Agriculture Code §§ 143.021–143.091, the Commissioners Court of Jim Wells County is authorized to order an election to determine whether certain animals shall be prohibited from running at large; and
2. A petition has been submitted by qualified voters of Jim Wells County residing in the unincorporated areas of the county, requesting such an election concerning hogs, sheep, goats, alpacas, and all exotic animals; and
3. The Commissioners Court finds that said petition is in proper form and contains the required number of signatures of qualified voters; and
4. The Court further finds that it is in the public interest to submit the question to the voters of Jim Wells County at the uniform election date on Tuesday, November 4, 2025;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS  
COURT OF JIM WELLS COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:**

**Section 1. Approval of Petition.**

The Petition to call an election to prohibit certain animals from running at large is hereby approved and accepted as legally sufficient.

**Section 2. Election Ordered.**

An election is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, in Jim Wells County, Texas, to determine whether the animals described in Section 3 shall be prohibited from running at large.

**Section 3. Ballot Proposition.**

The official ballot shall be printed to provide for voting FOR or AGAINST the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION A**

**FOR — Prohibiting hogs, sheep, goats, alpacas, and all exotic animals from running at large in Jim Wells County.**

**AGAINST — Prohibiting hogs, sheep, goats, alpacas, and all exotic animals from running at large in Jim Wells County.**

**Section 4. Election Conduct.**

The election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code and Texas Agriculture Code. The Jim Wells County Elections Administrator is designated to serve as the County's Election Officer and shall take all steps necessary to properly conduct the election, including providing ballots, polling places, and election notices as required by law.

**Section 5. Early Voting.**

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, October 20, 2025, and shall continue through Friday, October 31, 2025, at such locations as designated by the Elections Administrator. Early voting by mail shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

**Section 6. Notice of Election.**

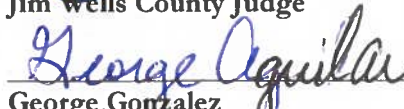
The County Judge and Elections Administrator shall give and publish notice of the election in the manner prescribed by law, including publication in a newspaper of general circulation and posting at the county courthouse.


**Section 7. Canvass and Effect.**


The Commissioners Court shall canvass the returns of the election as provided by law. If a majority of votes cast are "FOR," then hogs, sheep, goats, alpacas, and all exotic animals shall be prohibited from running at large in Jim Wells County, and enforcement shall be as provided by Texas Agriculture Code Chapter 143.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ORDERED this 22 day of August 2025, in a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Jim Wells County, Texas.


  
Pedro "Pete" Trevino  
Jim Wells County Judge

  
George Gonzalez  
Commissioner Pct. 1

  
Ventura Garcia, Jr.  
Commissioner Pct. 2

  
Renee Kirchoff  
Commissioner Pct. 3

  
Wicho Gonzalez  
Commissioner Pct. 4

  
J.C. Perez, III  
Jim Wells County Clerk

