

June 24, 2022

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVICE PLAN

The **Public Hearing** of the Board of Regents of the Del Mar College District will convene at **6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 29, 2022,** at the Solomon P. Ortiz Intermediate School Cafetorium, 208 E. Ave. H, Robstown, Texas.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER QUORUM CALL MOMENT OF SILENCE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE DMC VISION STATEMENT: Del Mar College will be the premier choice for life-changing educational opportunities, provided by responsive, innovative faculty and staff who empower students to improve local and global communities.

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GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (Non-Agenda Items) – 3-minute time limit

- Specific public comments will be allowed on agenda items prior to action by the Board.
- General Public Comments may be moved on the agenda at the discretion of the Board Chair and as an accommodation to those in attendance.
- Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, the College is limited in responding to public comments or inquiries as follows:
 - 1. Provide a statement of specific factual information in response to an inquiry.
 - 2. Recite existing policy in response to an inquiry.
 - 3. Propose placing the subject of the inquiry on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

(Tex. Govt. Code Section § 551.042)

ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

- 1. Public Hearing on the Annexation by Election petition related to the territory comprising the Robstown Independent School District (Tex. Educ. Code § 130.065)
 -Ms. Lenora Keas and Mr. Augustin Rivera, Jr. (Goal 5: Workforce Development, Community Partnerships, and Advocacy)

Public comments for this agenda item

- 2. CLOSED SESSION pursuant to:
- A. <u>TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.071</u>: (Consultation with legal counsel), regarding pending or contemplated litigation, or a settlement offer, and the seeking of legal advice from counsel, with possible discussion and action in open session.

CALENDAR: Discussion and possible action related to calendaring dates.

ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE is given that the Board may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed on the agenda, when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

Item 1

Public Hearing

For

Robstown ISD Service Plan

Texas Education Code Section 130.065

June 29, 2022

Augustin Rivera, Jr. General Counsel

Lenora Keas Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

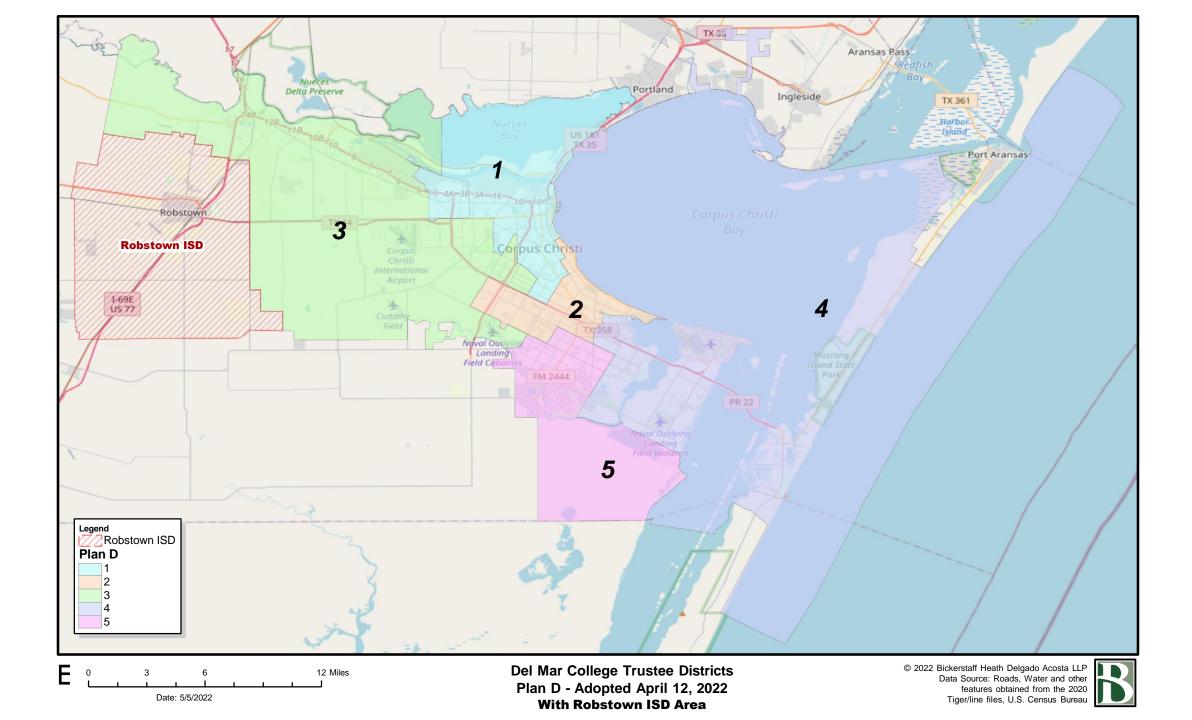


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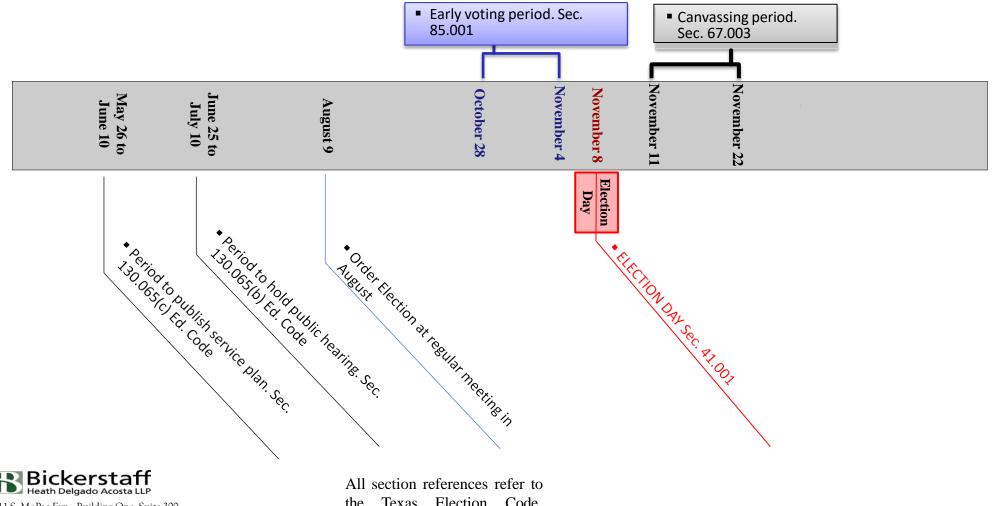
- On April 26, 2022, DMC received petitions requesting an election on the question of the annexation of the territory encompassing Robstown ISD.
- Signatures were verified by DMC on May 9, 2022.
- On May 10, 2022, DMC BOR accepted petitions and directed staff to prepare proposed Service Plan and arrange for Public Hearing per Tex. Educ. Code Sec. 130.065.

- On June 2, 2022, DMC BOR approved and directed staff to publish Service Plan for Robstown ISD and to schedule a Public Hearing to take place within the territory proposed for annexation (RISD).
- On June 29, 2022, DMC BOR is holding a Public Hearing at 6:00 pm at the Ortiz Elementary School Cafetorium, 208 Est Avenue H, Robstown, Texas.
- A webpage with information is provided on the <u>www.delmar.edu</u> site and <u>https://www.delmar.edu/regents-and-</u> <u>community/board-of-regents/robstown.html</u>





Timeline for Special Annexation Election Process November 8, 2022



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Texas Election Code. the unless otherwise indicated.

Texas Education Code Sec. 130.0011. PUBLIC JUNIOR COLLEGES; ROLE AND MISSION

"Texas public junior colleges shall be two-year institutions primarily serving their *local taxing districts* and *service areas* in Texas and offering vocational, technical, and academic courses for certification or associate degrees."



Texas Education Code Section 130.177 defines the Del Mar College Service Area as follows:

"DEL MAR COLLEGE-CORPUS CHRISTI JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT SERVICE AREA. The service area of the Del Mar College-Corpus Christi Junior College District includes the territory within:

(1)the Corpus Christi, West Oso, Calallen, Tuloso-Midway, and Flour Bluff independent school districts, and any area located outside of those school districts that is within the municipality of Corpus Christi;

(2) Nueces, San Patricio, Aransas, and Kenedy counties; and

(3) the Riviera Independent School District."



Expanding a Community College's Taxing District Boundary

- Generally, an area (e.g., independent school district or county) not located in a community college district can be added (annexed) to the district by Contract or Election.
- Election is the most common method pursuant to Texas Education Code Sec 130.065.



Public Hearing

(b) Before the governing board of the junior college district may order an annexation election, the board must hold a public hearing within the territory proposed for annexation. The hearing must be held not earlier than the 45th day and not later than the 30th day before the date the board issues the order for the election.

The public hearing is for June 29th at 6:00 pm at the Robstown ISD Ortiz Elementary School, Cafetorium, 208 East Avenue H, Robstown, Texas.

Community members may access the hearing by going online to the video link at https://www.delmar.edu/webcast/



The Service Plan for Robstown ISD

- 1. The maximum tax rate allowed under the Texas Education Code is \$1.00 per \$100 assessed property valuation. Of this maximum tax rate, no more than \$0.50 can be dedicated to paying for debt service on facilities bonds.
- 2. The Maintenance and Operation tax rate for 2021 is \$0.205296 per \$100 assessed property valuation.
- 3. The debt service rate for 2021 is \$0.078044 for a combined tax rate of per \$100 assessed property valuation of \$0.283340.
- 4. Pursuant to Texas Tax Code, the maintenance and operations tax rate cannot increase taxes collected by more than 8 percent from the prior year without voter approval.



Projected Impact on Taxes Robstown Independent School District

- Average taxable home value in RISD is \$59,038.
- Tax impact at the present overall tax rate is an increase of \$167 annually or \$14 per month.
- The same tax exemptions apply.



Tuition and Fees

- The in-district tuition and fees for the 2022-2023 academic year is \$107 per credit hour. In addition, the College charges a flat fee per term of \$85.00 for a total of \$192.00.
- The out of district tuition is \$157.00 per credit hour. In addition, the College charges a flat fee per term of \$85.00 for a total \$242.00.



Tuition and Fees

Semester Hours	In-District Resident	Out of District	Out of State/Foreign	Difference (District & Out of District)
3	\$406	\$556	\$667	\$150
6	\$727	\$1,027	\$1,249	\$300
9	\$1,048	\$1,498	\$1,831	\$450
12	\$1,369	\$1,969	\$2,413	\$600
15	\$1,690	\$2,440	\$2,995	\$750



Key Points of the Service Plan

- Expansion of local delivery of services and programs at the in-district rate,
- Eligibility to vote in DMC Board of Regents elections;
- Access to DMC campuses, centers and amenities,
- Student support services including advising, admissions, academic counseling, career counseling, financial aid, and student life activities,
- Customized training, Skills for Small Businesses, Texas Workforce Commission Skills Development Fund, and employee training in support of business initiatives,



Key Points of the Service Plan - Continued

- Access to degrees and/or certificates in transfer and career pathways, and
- Access to programs such as English-as-a-Second Language, Literacy and Adult Basic Education.
- Upskilling and reskilling programs of high value and in-demand workforce education and training that can be completed in one year or less.



Overall Perspective

Examples of facilities that will be available to RISD residents at in-district tuition and fees.

New - Oso Creek Campus STEM, Culinary Arts and Main Buildings

New - General Academic Building Heritage Campus







Workforce Development Center on the Windward Campus

- Training for Process Technology, Instrumentation & Related Technologies
- Pump Transfer & Ethylene Cracker Skids Simulations
- Glycol Distillation Pilot Plants Control Room Operations
- Millwright, Welding, Environmental & Analytical Labs
- Transportation Services Commercial Driver's License (CDL)
 IN DEMAND/SHORTAGE



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Del Mar College Workforce Development Center Programs

World-class Technology and Pilot Plant Simulators Industrial and Workforce Partnerships

Center for Economic Development





Services to Robstown ISD

Unduplicated Enrollments	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019	FY 2019-2020	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022
Continuing Education	129	76	184	190	162
Early College / Dual Credit	76	71	259	234	182
Total	204	147	443	424	344

GRAND TOTAL = 1,562



Next Steps

- With Board approval, order an election for November 8, 2022.
- Follow the timeline established in statutes see the calendar.



Public Comments

Please keep your comments to three minutes or less.

Thank you!



Del Mar College District Service Plan for the Robstown Independent School District Tex. Education Code Sec. 130.065(c)

Del Mar College District (DMC) offers associate degrees and occupational certificates in hundreds of programs of study and serves as the regional leader in workforce training, university transfer, continuing education, and adult learning programs. The service area of the Del Mar College District includes the territory within: (1) the Independent School Districts of Corpus Christi, West Oso, Calallen, Tuloso-Midway, and Flour Bluff, and any area located outside of those school districts that is within the municipality of Corpus Christi; (2) official service areas include Nueces, San Patricio, Aransas, and Kenedy counties; and (3) the Riviera Independent School District. Complete information on DMC's programs, services and opportunities are available at www.delmar.edu.

Expansion of the Del Mar College District to include the territory within the Robstown Independent School District (RISD) would result in the following property tax rate, services, and programs for RISD residents.

- DMC's current maintenance and operation tax rate for tax year 2021 is \$0.205296 per \$100 assessed property valuation and its current tax rate for paying debt service on bonds for facilities is \$0.078044 per \$100 assessed property valuation. DMC's combined tax rate currently is \$0.283340 per \$100 assessed property valuation.
 - Based on the average RISD home value of about \$59,038 the average DMC tax bill for a homeowner would be about \$14 per month.
 - DMC has adopted a Homestead Exemption of \$5,000.
 - DMC has also adopted a Senior or Disabled Exemption of \$50,000 plus the \$5,000 regular Homestead Exemption, for a total Homestead Exemption for Seniors or Disabled persons of \$55,000.
 - DMC has also adopted that each disabled veteran is entitled to the mandatory exemption provided in Section 11.22 of the Code.
- According to the Texas Education Code, the Board of Regents of a community college district in Texas may impose a property tax of up to \$1.00 per \$100 assessed property valuation. Of this maximum tax rate, no more than \$0.50 can be dedicated to paying for debt service on facilities bonds.
 - However, pursuant to the Texas Tax Code, the College's District Board of Regents must vote every year on a resolution to levy a property tax for maintenance and operations. The College District's Board of Regents annual adoption of the resolution sets the maximum maintenance and operations tax rate, which cannot increase taxes collected by more than 8% from the prior year without voter approval.

- The voter-approval tax rate is the maximum rate that may be adopted by the College District's Board of Regents. A community college district seeking a maintenance and operations tax rate exceeding the voterapproval tax rate must conduct an election for voter approval.
- In-district tuition and fees for all RISD residents.
 - In-district DMC tuition and fees for the 2022 academic year is \$107 per credit hour. In addition, the college charges a flat fee per term of \$85.
 - Out-of-district DMC tuition and fees for the 2022 academic year is \$157 per credit hour. In addition, the college charges a flat fee per term of \$85.
 - Out-of-state DMC tuition and fees for the 2022 academic year is \$336 per credit hour. In addition, the college charges a flat fee per term of \$85.
 - DMC students from those portions of RISD that are not currently in the college district would pay \$556.00 in tuition and fees for a 3-credit hour course in the 2022 academic year, while in-district students will pay \$406.00 in tuition and fees for the same 3-credit hour course.
- Expansion of local delivery of services and programs.
- Eligibility to vote in DMC Board of Regents elections.
- Access to the DMC campuses, centers, and amenities.
- Student support services including advising, admissions and records, academic counseling, career counseling, financial aid, and student life activities.
- Customized training, Skills for Small Business and Texas Workforce Commission Skills Development Fund to assist businesses and organizations in their technical and non-technical employee training and enhance the talent and development of employees in support of business initiatives.
- Engage the Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend to provide increased access for students.
- Access to degrees and/or certificates in transfer and career pathways.
- Access to programs such as English-as-a Second Language (ESL), Literacy and Adult Basic Education to prepare individuals for entering college credit programs.
- Upskilling and reskilling programs of high value and in demand workforce education and training that can be completed in one year or less.

Public Hearing Notice:

RISD residents may learn more about and provide input to the proposed DMC Service Plan at a public hearing hosted by the DMC Board of Regents on **Wednesday, June 29**, **2022**. The hearing will be conducted at **Ortiz Elementary School, Cafetorium, 208 East Avenue H, Robstown, Texas**, and is scheduled to begin at **6:00 p.m**. Community members may also access the called public hearing by going to the online video link at https://www.delmar.edu/webcast/ five minutes before the hearing starts.

Questions about the DMC and RISD Service Plan may be directed to DMC's College Relations Department at (361) 698-1351.