



Election Information

Election Day

November 7, 2017

7 AM - 7 PM

Early Voting

**Pecos Community Center
5th and Oak Streets
Pecos, Texas**

**Monday October 23, 2017
—Friday November 3, 2017**

Questions about voting?

**Contact the
Reeves County Clerk's Office
at 432.445.5467**

For more information on the proposed MDD...

- * Legislation governing MDDs can be found in Chapter 377 of the Local Government Code.
- * Chapter 377 is available online at: www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.377.htm
- * Visit the City's website at www.pecostx.gov
- * Visit Pecos City Hall
- * You may also contact:

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PROPOSED

PECOS MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

What is a Municipal Development District?

And other Frequently Asked Questions....

This brochure provides a brief overview of the proposed Pecos Municipal Development District and addresses questions most frequently posed by individuals.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. WHAT IS A MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (MDD)?

A Municipal Development District is a special purpose district created for the purpose of generating economic development and growth opportunities within the boundaries of the district. The proposed Pecos MDD boundaries are one mile beyond the city limits of Pecos.

2. WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN A TYPE B ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) AND A MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (MDD)?

The City currently has a Type B EDC. The MDD will be able to perform the EXACT SAME types of projects as are currently allowed by our Type B EDC, namely projects related to: amateur sports, athletics, entertainment, tourism, conventions, public parks: including stadiums, ball parks, auditoriums, amphitheaters, concert halls, parks and park facilities; municipal buildings, museums, exhibition facilities, restaurant, concession, parking facilities, area transportation facilities; roads, streets, general municipally owned improvements, water and sewer facilities, drainage, demolition, and other related improvements that enhance any of those items. The major difference is that an MDD can impose a one-half of one percent sales tax in the mile *outside* of city limits. The EDC can only impose its sales tax *within* city limits.

3. WILL THERE BE AN INCREASED TAX BURDEN IF THE TYPE A EDC IS DISSOLVED AND THE MDD IS CREATED BY THE VOTERS?

No, there will be no additional taxes imposed on the citizens. Currently, the Type B EDC is funded by a sales tax of one-eighth of one percent of sales and use tax. Streets maintenance is funded in part by a sales tax of three-eighths of one percent. If the ballot measure is approved by the voters, both of these sales tax will be dissolved and the MDD will be funded by a sales tax of one-half of one percent. The MDD sales tax will not increase over time.

4. HOW IS THE DISTRICT CREATED?

To create an MDD, a city must call for an election and define the proposed boundaries of the district (One mile beyond city limits of Pecos). The ballot at this election must be printed to allow voting for or against the proposition. In calling the election, the city has specified that if established, the district boundaries will automatically conform to future changes in the city's boundaries. If the voters turn down creation of the district, a subsequent election to establish a district may not be held until one year after the first election.

5. WHAT WILL THE BALLOT LOOK LIKE WHEN I GO TO THE VOTING BOOTH?

Authorizing the creation of the Pecos Municipal Development District and the imposition of a sales and use tax at the rate of one-half (1/2) of one percent within the Town of Pecos City and its extraterritorial jurisdiction for the purpose of financing projects beneficial to the district; Replacing the current 0.375% additional sales and use tax within the city designated for street maintenance with a 0.375% additional sales and use tax imposed by the Pecos Municipal Development District within the Town of Pecos City and its extraterritorial jurisdiction for street maintenance and other lawful government purposes; Terminating the Pecos Economic Development Corporation and the 0.125% sales and use tax for economic development within the city and replacing it with the Pecos Municipal Development District and a 0.125% sales and use tax for economic development within the Town of Pecos City and its extraterritorial jurisdiction. The total sales and use tax imposed within the city limits by the Town of Pecos City will remain at 1.5%.

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6. WHO WILL PAY FOR THE MDD?

Anyone making a purchase of taxable items inside the boundaries of the Pecos MDD will pay the sales tax including purchases made by individuals who live outside of the district but who are shopping and eating in the district.

7. WHAT WILL THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALES TAX BE USED FOR?

State law authorizes expenditure of MDD funds for a variety of economic development activities including industrial and manufacturing projects, retail development projects, recreational and/or community facilities projects, housing projects and convention center facilities and related improvements.

8. WHO OVERSEES THE MDD?

A board of at least four directors would govern the District. The Pecos City Council will appoint the board. In addition, the City Council will adopt policies and guidelines that will govern the actions of the MDD board, including requiring that all actions of the board be subject to review by the City Council.

9. WHO DETERMINES HOW THE FUNDS ARE SPENT?

The MDD Board of Directors must adopt a budget for each year at a public meeting open to the public. Once the MDD Board approves the budget, the budget will be presented to the City Council for final approval.

10. CAN THE MDD SALES TAX BE REPEALED?

The sales tax can be repealed if a majority of the registered voters in the district vote to repeal the sales tax.

11. HOW DO WE KNOW THE FUNDS WERE SPENT FOR THEIR AUTHORIZED PURPOSES?

State law requires the District to have an annual audit by an independent auditor. The audit and other District records are open to public inspection during normal business hours.

12. IF APPROVED, WHEN WOULD THE MDD BECOME EFFECTIVE?

If approved by vote in November, the MDD tax would become effective April 1, 2018.

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