COUNTY OF POLK §



ORDER AUTHORIZING FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICE AREA CHANGES TO THE POLK COUNTY, TEXAS, MAP

The 9-1-1 Network serving the 11 county Deep East Texas Council of Governments region, which includes Polk County, has undergone technological advancements as part of the migration to Next Generation 9-1-1. These changes to the 9-1-1 system include an increased reliance on the accuracy and precision of the GIS data representing roads, addresses, and first-responder service boundaries throughout the county. Existing boundary maps were previously sufficient to represent service areas on more generalized, large-scale maps, such as on a printed wall-map, and in the previous E9-1-1 system. However, to ensure the most accurate information is provided to the 9-1-1 call center and first responders in as timely a manner as possible in new maps and systems, it is necessary that first responder service boundaries be refined in more detail. While law enforcement service areas are defined by legal jurisdictional boundaries and EMS services are currently defined county-wide, Fire Department service areas may need frequent adjustments based on GIS updates and fire chief requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF POLK COUNTY:

This Order of the Polk County Commissioner's Court authorizes the County Judge of Polk County to review Fire Department service area changes on a case-by-case basis. At the County Judge's discretion, when the modification to a Fire Department service area boundary is appropriate, necessary, and relatively minor in nature, being a change solely intended to ensure they include the entirety of the properties and all of the structures their existing boundaries were intended to represent, the County Judge may provide written authorization on the county's behalf to the Deep East Texas Council of Governments (DETCOG) 9-1-1 Program staff to execute that change in the region's GIS databases and 9-1-1 system.

ORDERED By the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas on this the $\underline{22}$ day of August . 2023.

Sydney Murphy, County Judge

Polk County, Texas

ATTEST: Schelana Hock

County Clerk

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