# Local Option Elections Fiscal Year 2004 (September 1, 2003 – August 31, 2004)

There were fifty-nine local option elections held in forty-two jurisdictions during the fiscal year that ended August 31, 2004. Elections were called for each of the following issues: (1) The legal sale of beer for off premises consumption only; (2) The legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only; (3) The legal sale of beer and wine, (4) The legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only; (5) The legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages, and (6) The legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only. As a result of these elections, several of which were held the same day for the same jurisdictions, eighteen jurisdictions became "wet" for the first time; eighteen authorized additional types of alcoholic beverages sales; and six jurisdictions retained their previous status.

The details of the elections are as follow:

## **Elections Held September 13, 2003**

An election was held for the City of Anna, Collin County, on September 13, 2003, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only. The issue failed by a vote of 165 FOR and 218 AGAINST. The City Of Anna, Collin County, was dry before the election and remains dry.

An election was held for the City of Cumby, Hopkins County, on September 13, 2003, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 85 FOR and 79 AGAINST. The City of Cumby, Hopkins County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Duncanville, Dallas County, on September 13, 2003, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off premises consumption only." The issued passed by a vote of 4,617 FOR and 2,368 AGAINST. The City of Duncanville, Dallas County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Jefferson, Marion County, on September 13, 2003, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 174 FOR and 65 AGAINST. The City of Jefferson, Marion County, was wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only before the election and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

#### **Elections Held November 4, 2003**

An election was held for the City of Morgan's Point, Harris County, on November 4, 2003, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 83 FOR and 5 AGAINST. The City of Morgan's Point, Harris County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Walnut Springs, Bosque County, on November 4, 2003, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 115 FOR and 76 AGAINST. The City of Walnut Springs, Bosque County, was wet only for the sale of beer and wine for off premises consumption before the election and is now wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only.

## **Elections Held February 7, 2004**

An election was held for the City of Granbury, Hood County, on February 7, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 326 FOR and 73 AGAINST. The City of Granbury, Hood County, was wet in part for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only before the election and is now wet throughout for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Groves, Jefferson County, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,484 FOR and 477 AGAINST. The City of Groves, Jefferson County, was wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Loraine, Mitchell County, on February 7, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 107 FOR and 40 AGAINST. The City of Loraine, Mitchell County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Port Neches, Jefferson County, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,270 FOR and 584 AGAINST. The City of Port Neches, Jefferson County, was wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Tolar, Hood County, on February 7, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 91 FOR and 58 AGAINST. The City of Tolar, Hood County, was dry

before the election and is now wet of the sale of beer and wine for off premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Trophy Club, Denton and Tarrant Counties, on February 7, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,366 FOR and 108 AGAINST. The City of Trophy Club, Denton and Tarrant Counties, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Trophy Club, Denton and Tarrant Counties, on February 7, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,362 FOR and 95 AGAINST. The City of Trophy Club, Denton and Tarrant Counties, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for Justice of the Peace Precinct #1, Rockwall County, on February 7, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off premises consumption only." The issue failed by a vote of 2,205 FOR and 2,963 AGAINST. Justice of the Peace Precinct #1, Rockwall County, was dry before the election and remains dry.

### Elections Held May 15, 2004

An election was held for the City of Allen, Collin County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 3,115 FOR and 1,786 AGAINST. The City of Allen, Collin County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Allen, Collin County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 3,371 FOR and 1,485 AGAINST. The City of Allen, Collin County was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Brownwood, Brown County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,207 FOR and 1,133 AGAINST. The City of Brownwood, Brown County, was wet in part for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now wet throughout for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Brownwood, Brown County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,228 FOR and 1,109 AGAINST.

The City of Brownwood, Brown County, was wet in part for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Burleson, Johnson and Tarrant Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue failed by a vote of 1486 FOR and 1631 AGAINST. The City of Burleson, Johnson and Tarrant Counties, was dry in those portions of the city located in Johnson County before the election and remains dry for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only in that part of the city. Those portions of the City of Burleson located in Tarrant County were already wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption and for the sale of mixed beverages. The wet/dry status of these areas were not changed by the outcome of the election.

An election was held for the City of Burleson, Johnson and Tarrant Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 1590 FOR and 1517 AGAINST. The City of Burleson, Johnson and Tarrant Counties, was dry in those portions of the city located in Johnson County before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only in the Johnson County portions of the city. Those portions of the City of Burleson located in Tarrant County were already wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption and for the sale of mixed beverages. The wet/dry status of these areas were not changed by the outcome of the election.

An election was held for the City of Celina, Collin and Denton Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 328 FOR and 315 AGAINST. The City of Celina, Collin and Denton Counties, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Celina, Collin and Denton Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 350 FOR and 287 AGAINST. The City of Celina, Collin and Denton Counties, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for City of Conroe, Montgomery County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages." The issue passed by a vote of 1,982 FOR and 891 AGAINST. The city of Conroe, Montgomery County, was wet in part before the election for the legal sale of beer and wine, the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption, and the legal sale of mixed beverages, and is now wet throughout for the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages.

An election was held for the City of Corinth, Denton County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 679 FOR and 226 AGAINST. The City of Corinth, Denton County, was wet before the election for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumptions and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Corsicana, Navarro County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 2,215 FOR and 1,748 AGAINST. The City of Corsicana, Navarro County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Corsicana, Navarro County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 2,440 FOR and 1,478 AGAINST. The City of Corsicana, Navarro County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Early, Brown County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue failed by a vote of 196 FOR and 289 AGAINST. The City of Early, Brown County, was wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only before the election and remains wet only for those types of sales.

An election was held for the City of Fairview, Collin County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 607 FOR and 464 AGAINST. The City of Fairview, Collin County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Fairview, Collin County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 724 FOR and 356 AGAINST. The City of Fairview, Collin County was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Haltom City, Tarrant County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 2081 FOR and 666 AGAINST. The City of Haltom City, Tarrant County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Haltom City, Tarrant County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 2170 FOR and 574 AGAINST. The City of Haltom City, Tarrant County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Jacksboro, Jack County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue failed by a vote of 352 FOR and 417 Against. The City of Jacksboro, Jack County, was dry before the election and remains dry.

An election was held for the City of Killeen, Bell County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine." The issue passed by a vote of 2,962 FOR and 1,118 AGAINST. The City of Killeen, Bell County, was wet for the sale of beer for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine.

An election was held for the City of City of Killeen, Bell County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 2,670 FOR and 1,306 AGAINST. The City of Killeen, Bell County, was wet for the sale of beer for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Lancaster, Dallas County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 2,611 FOR and 1,957 AGAINST. The City of Lancaster, Dallas County was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Lancaster, Dallas County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only." The issue failed by a vote of 1,738 FOR and 2,803 AGAINST. The City of Lancaster, Dallas County was dry for before the election and remains dry for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Lockhart, Caldwell County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages." The issue passed by a vote of 1,356 FOR and 439 AGAINST. The City of Lockhart, Caldwell County, was wet only for the sale of beer before the election and is now wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages.

An election was held for the City of Mabank, Kaufman and Henderson Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption

only." The issue passed by a vote of 219 FOR and 87 AGAINST. The City of Mabank, Kaufman and Henderson Counties, was dry prior to the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Mabank, Kaufman and Henderson Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 217 FOR and 85 AGAINST. The City of Mabank, Kaufman and Henderson Counties, was dry prior to the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only

An election was held for the City of McKinney, Collin County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 7,008 FOR and 2,128 AGAINST. The City of McKinney, Collin County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of McKinney, Collin County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 6,810 FOR and 2,243 AGAINST. The City of McKinney, Collin County was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Milano, Milam County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 127 FOR and 33 AGAINST. The City of Milano, Milam County was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Nederwald, Hays and Caldwell Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 26 FOR and 0 AGAINST. City of Nederwald, Hays and Caldwell Counties, was wet in various parts for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption and/or for the sale of beer. Following the election, the city is now wet throughout for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 3286 FOR and 1147 AGAINST. The City of North Richland Hills, Tarrant County, was dry for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now wet for such sales. (NOTE: North Richland Hills was already wet for mixed beverages and beer off-premises).

An election was held for the City of Pantego, Tarrant County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue

passed by a vote of 365 FOR and 107 AGAINST. The City of Pantego, Tarrant County, was dry for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now wet for such sales. (NOTE: Pantego was already wet for mixed beverages and beer).

An election was held for the City of Prosper, Collin and Denton Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 300 FOR and 227 AGAINST. The City of Prospect, Collin and Denton Counties, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Quinlan, Hunt County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue failed by a vote of 89 FOR and 108 AGAINST. The City of Quinlan, Hunt County, was dry prior to the election and remains dry.

An election was held for the City of Rowlett, Rockwall and Dallas Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 2,760 FOR and 2,059 AGAINST. The City of Rowlett, Rockwall and Dallas Counties, was dry prior to the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Rowlett, Rockwall and Dallas Counties, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 3,322 FOR and 1,468 AGAINST. The City of Rowlett, Rockwall and Dallas Counties, was dry prior to the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of Seven Points, Henderson County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 108 FOR and 13 AGAINST. The City of Seven Points, Henderson County, was wet in part for the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages prior to the election and is now also wet in areas of the City that were previously dry for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Seven Points, Henderson County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 113 FOR and 9 AGAINST. The City of Seven Points, Henderson County, was wet in part for the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages prior to the election and is now also wet in areas of the City that were previously dry for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for the City of White Settlement, Tarrant County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The

issue passed by a vote of 904 FOR and 482 AGAINST. The City of White Settlement, Tarrant County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the White Settlement, Tarrant County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 923 FOR and 483 AGAINST. The City of White Settlement, Tarrant County, was dry before the election and is now wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only.

An election was held for the City of Woodway, McLennan County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,129 FOR and 309 AGAINST. The City of Woodway, McLennan County, was wet in part for the sale of beer for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now wet throughout for the sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only.

An election was held for the City of Woodway, McLennan County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,123 FOR and 306 AGAINST. The City of Woodway, McLennan County, was wet in part for the sale of beer for off-premises consumption only before the election and is now wet throughout for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, Hays County, on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 958 FOR and 195 AGAINST. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, Hays County was wet for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption before the election and is now also wet for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverages certificates only.

An election was held for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4, Montgomery County, on May 15, 2004 on the issue of "the legal sale of beer and wine." The issue passed by a vote of 1,557 FOR and 597 AGAINST. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4, Montgomery County was wet in part before the election for the sale of beer and wine, and is now wet throughout for the sale of beer and wine.

An election was held for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4, Montgomery County, on May 15, 2004 on the issue of "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only." The issue passed by a vote of 1,578 FOR and 554 AGAINST. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4, Montgomery County was wet in part before the election for the sale of beer and wine, and is now wet throughout for the sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by holders of food and beverage certificates only.

An election was held for Mills County on May 15, 2004, on the issue of "the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption only." The issue failed by a vote of 597 FOR and 792 AGAINST. Mills County was wet in part before the election for the sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption and for the sale of beer for off-premises consumption and remains wet in part for those sales.