

[23.

The petition presented to the board of county commissioners or county council shall make provision for the text of the charter proposed for the municipal corporation. The petition shall include, as a supplementary paper, the exact text of the proposed charter.]

23.

(A) THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE SHALL PRESENT TO THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY A PROPOSED CHARTER FOR USE IN THE REFERENDUM ELECTION:

(1) WITHIN 45 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE COMMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE UNDER § 22(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE; OR

(2) IF THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY HAS NOT SUBMITTED COMMENTS, NO LATER THAN 90 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE REPORT IS SENT BY THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE UNDER § 22(A)(1)(III) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE SHALL ALSO SUBMIT WITH THE PROPOSED CHARTER STATEMENTS THAT DESCRIBE:

(1) THE LIKELY FISCAL EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED INCORPORATION ON RESIDENTS OF THE PROPOSED MUNICIPALITY, RESIDENTS IN THE VICINITY OF THE PROPOSED MUNICIPALITY, AND THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE;

(2) THE SERVICES THE PROPOSED MUNICIPALITY WILL PROVIDE; AND

(3) THE IMPACT THE PROPOSED INCORPORATION WILL HAVE ON PROPERTY TAX RATES.

24.

(A) BETWEEN 40 AND 60 DAYS AFTER THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY RECEIVES THE PROPOSED CHARTER FROM THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY MAY SPECIFY, BY RESOLUTION, THE DAY AND HOURS FOR A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE PROPOSED INCORPORATION FOR THE VOTERS OF THE AREA TO BE INCORPORATED.

(B) THE RESOLUTION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL CONTAIN THE EXACT WORDING OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER, AS SUBMITTED BY THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, TO BE VOTED ON AT THE TIME OF THE REFERENDUM.

(C) (1) IF THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY REJECTS THE REFERENDUM REQUEST, THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY SHALL PROVIDE IN WRITING AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME THE REASONS FOR REJECTING THE REFERENDUM REQUEST.

(2) THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY SHALL ESTABLISH REASONABLE PROCEDURES BY WHICH A RECONSIDERATION OF A REJECTION OF A REFERENDUM REQUEST CAN BE UNDERTAKEN, INCLUDING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A PUBLIC HEARING WITH SUFFICIENT ADVANCE PUBLIC NOTICE.