

PROCLAMATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

2025 Berryville City Special Election County of Carroll, State of Arkansas

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Arkansas Election Law, Arkansas Code Annotated §7-5-202, all qualified electors are notified that the 2025 Berryville City Special Election will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025. The election will submit to a vote of the electorate all candidates by name and office and all other measures and questions required by law to be submitted to the electors. The following polling places have been set by the Carroll County Board of Election Commissioners and are hereby posted in accordance with the election laws of the State of Arkansas. The polls will be open 7:30 a.m. until 7:30 pm.

You may vote at the following Vote Center on Election Day:

FREEMAN HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH, 522 W. Freeman St, Berryville, AR 72616

EARLY VOTING will begin on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, and will be conducted in the **Berryville United Methodist Church, 400 Eureka Street, Berryville, AR 72616**. The last day to early vote will be Monday, May 12, 2025.

Hours are as follows:

Weekdays:	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday, March 12:	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Absentee voting will be conducted through the Carroll County Clerk's Office, 210 W. Church Ave., Berryville, AR 72616. The telephone number is 870-423-2022.

The deadline for the County Clerk to receive absentee ballot applications by mail, fax, or e-mail for Preferential Primary is May 6, 2025.

The deadline for County Clerk to receive absentee ballot applications in person from the voter, designated bearer, or administrator is May 9, 2025, no later than 4:30 p.m.

Absentee ballots will be processed and canvassed beginning at 10:00 a.m. May 13, 2025.

Early voting and absentee votes will be counted at 7:30 p.m. on May 13, 2025, at the Carroll County Courthouse, 210 W. Church Ave., Berryville, AR 72616.

In accordance with the requirements of Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-202(b)(2)(A), a notice of election officials will be posted as of April 28, 2025, and remain posted until May 26, 2025, at the County Clerk's Office in the Eastern District Courthouse. Ark. Code Ann. § 7-5-202 *(a)(2)(B) Another person makes an objection to his or her service to the County Board of Election Commissioners within seven (7) calendar days after posting the list of officials. Grievances can be filed by submitting a written objection to the County Clerk's Office. An objection that an official is a spouse of a county commissioner, a county party chair, or a spouse of a county party chair must be within 7 days of April 28th. An objection that an official is married to a candidate or related to a candidate within two degrees of blood relations must be filed within 10 days of April 28th.

THE DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE ANNUAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION IS APRIL 14, 2025.

Deadline for county to county transfer of registered voters allowed to vote in election May 9, 2025.

PUBLIC LOGIC AND ACCURACY TESTING of the voting equipment for Early Voting and Election Day, April 19, 2025.

The Carroll County Board of Election Commissioners will meet on May 19, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at the Carroll County Clerk's office for Provisional Ballot Hearing.

The Carroll County Board of Election Commissioners will meet on May 23, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the Carroll County Clerk's Office to certify the results of the 2025 Annual School Board Election.

ORDINANCE NO. 1146

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 970 (AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE 0.50% SALES AND USE TAX LEVIED THEREBY TO EXTEND THE LEVY BY FIFTEEN (15) YEARS, FROM SEPTEMBER 30, 2030 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2045; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

REFUNDING BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$3,200,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of refunding the City's Sales and Use Tax Bonds, Series 2017, and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time. Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

SEWER IMPROVEMENT BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in one or more series from time to time in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$1,100,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, improving, and equipping extensions, betterments and improvements to the City's sewer facilities and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time (the "Tax"). Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

WATER IMPROVEMENT BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in one or more series from time to time in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$825,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, improving, and equipping extensions, betterments and improvements to the City's water facilities and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time (the "Tax"). Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in one or more series from time to time in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$4,600,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of constructing and improving streets and roads, including particularly, without limitation, any paving, repair, curbing, gutter, sidewalks, signage and drainage improvements, equipment and land acquisition and street lighting, utility improvements and traffic signals related thereto or in support thereof and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time (the "Tax"). Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

PARK AND RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in one or more series from time to time in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$600,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, improving, renovating, and equipping park and recreational facilities, and any necessary parking, landscaping, signage, drainage, lighting, concession, road, parking, and utility improvements related thereto, and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time (the "Tax"). Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT IMPROVEMENT BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in one or more series from time to time in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$125,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of acquiring apparatus, vehicles and equipment for the fire department and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time (the "Tax"). Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT IMPROVEMENT BONDS

An issue of bonds of the City of Berryville in one or more series from time to time in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$350,000 for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs of acquiring apparatus, vehicles and equipment for the police department and, in order to pay the bonds, the pledge of a 0.50% local sales and use tax levied within the City by Ordinance No. 970, adopted February 17, 2015, as amended, and as it may be further amended from time to time (the "Tax"). Collections of the Tax not necessary to pay bonds will be used for other lawful purposes.

CARROLL COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

Any voter may look up his or her sample ballot on the Secretary of State's website at: <https://voterview.ar-nova.org/voterview>. Ballots will be available no later than 20 days prior to the election. Sample ballots will also be available at the polling site.

Given this 11th of April, 2025.

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