

ORDINANCE NO. R21-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 1, 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND THREE (3) COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR A TERM OF TWO (2) YEARS; DESIGNATING POLLING PLACES WITHIN THE TOWN; ESTABLISHING OTHER PROCEDURES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION, INCLUDING PROVIDING THAT THE ELECTION IS TO BE HELD AS A JOINT ELECTION IN CONJUNCTION WITH DALLAS COUNTY.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: In accordance with the general laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, and the Charter of the Town, a General Election is hereby called and ordered for Saturday, May 1, 2021. All resident, qualified voters of the Town of Addison shall be permitted to vote, in said election for the purpose of electing a mayor and three (3) Council members for a term of two (2) years.

SECTION 2: The presently existing boundaries and territory of the Dallas County election precincts that are wholly or partly within the corporate limits of the Town shall constitute the election precincts for the election. The precinct numbers for the same shall be the corresponding Dallas County precinct numbers. The polling places for the general election shall be as set forth in the Joint Election Agreement (as defined in Section 3, below) with the Town locations designated as Addison Fire Station #1, 4798 Airport Parkway – Early Voting and Election Day; and Addison Fire Station #2, 3950 Beltway Drive – Election Day.

SECTION 3: The election shall be held as a joint election with Dallas County and other municipalities and school districts pursuant to a Joint Election Agreement for the conduct of a joint election to be held on May 1, 2021 and the County shall be responsible for appointing all election judges and clerks and shall be responsible for their compensation. Election judges and clerks shall have the qualifications required by law and notice of appointment shall be given to such judges and clerks by the Administrator in accordance with law.

SECTION 4: Applications to have the name of the candidate placed on the ballot may not be filed earlier than thirty (30) days before the deadline prescribed by the Election Code for filing applications with the City Secretary, and that the earliest date for a candidate to file same will be Wednesday, January 13, 2021, at 8:00 a.m., with the last day for filing to be Friday, February 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in accordance with Election Code Sect. 143.006 and 143.007.

SECTION 5: The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot for mayor and council members on said Addison City Council shall be determined by a drawing conducted by the City Secretary, as provided by Section 52.094 of the Texas Election Code, on Friday, February 19, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber at Addison Town Hall, 5300 Belt Line Road, Dallas, Texas 75254.

SECTION 6: Michael Scarpello, Dallas County Elections Administrator, is hereby appointed as Early Voting Clerk. The period for early voting by personal appearance, as established by provisions of the Texas Election Code, are between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning Monday, April 19, 2021 and ending on Tuesday, April 27, 2021. Early Voting by personal appearance will be conducted in the Office of the Elections Department, located at 1520 Round Table Drive, Dallas, Texas 75247 and at other locations so designated by the Dallas Council Elections Administrator.

SECTION 7: The Early Voting Clerk shall process all applications for early voting by mail. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Dallas County Elections Department, 1520 Round Table Drive, Dallas, Texas 75247. The last day to receive an application from a voter in person for a ballot to be voted by mail is the close of business on Monday, April 19, 2021.

SECTION 8: Notice of this election shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and returns of such notice shall be made as provided for in said Code. The Mayor shall issue all necessary orders and writs for such election. Returns of such election shall be made to the City Secretary immediately after the closing of the polls. In addition, the election materials as outlined in Section 272.005, Texas Election Code, shall be printed in both English and Spanish for use at the polling places and for each voting for said election.

SECTION 9: The City Secretary will provide the Statement of Elected Officials to candidates who appear to have won or may win, on Monday, May 3, 2021. Pursuant to Home Rule Charter, Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. has been set as the date of the Official Canvass. Mayor Joe Chow or a designated representative will provide the Oath of Office after the Official Canvass has been conducted. The City Secretary is directed to record results in the Election Register as soon as practical after the Canvass.

SECTION 10: The City Secretary is directed to transmit election results by city precinct in electronic form to the Secretary of State on or before Monday, May 24, 2021.

SECTION 11: Should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase contained in this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance, but in all respects said remaining portion shall be and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 12: It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required.

SECTION 13. That this Ordinance shall become effective from and after its passage as may be required by law or by the City Charter or ordinance.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS this 12th day of JANUARY 2021.

TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS

Joe Chow, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Irma G. Parker, City Secretary

Brenda N. McDonald, City Attorney