

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLEN, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, ORDERING A JOINT GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 1, 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE CITY COUNCILMEMBERS FOR PLACE NO. 1, 3, AND 5; DESIGNATING LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES; ORDERING NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE GIVEN AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH ELECTION; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLEN, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** Municipal officer's election is hereby ordered for May 1, 2021, to be held jointly with the Collin County Elections Administrator for the purpose of electing the Allen City Councilmembers for Place Nos. 1, 3, and 5, each such term being for a period of three (3) years. Polling locations for the election will be determined in the Election Services Contract to be entered into with Collin County. The polling locations shall be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. the date of the election. The election will be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code and the Election Services Contract by and between the City, the County of Collin, and other units of government as described in the contract. The first day to file an application for a place on the ballot with the City Secretary is January 13, 2021, at 8:00 a.m., with the last day for filing to be February 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., in accordance with the Election Code Sections 143.006 and 143.007.

**SECTION 2.** Pursuant to the Election Services Contract, the Elections Administrator of Collin County shall serve as Elections Administrator for the election. Presiding Election Judges and Alternate Presiding Election Judges appointed to serve the authorized polling places and the early voting clerk and deputy early voting clerks shall be those election officials furnished by the Elections Administrator from the list of proposed election judges as required in the Elections Services Contract. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an Elections Services Contract with the Collin County Elections Department for the General Election on May 1, 2021, and any amendments thereto. The ExpressVote Universal Voting System, EVS 6.0.2.0 consisting of Electionware election management software, ExpressVote ballot marking device, ExpressTough curbside voting device, DS200 precinct tabulator/scanner, DS450 high speed central scanner, and DS850 high speed central scanner, which meets the standards and requirements of the Texas Election Code, as amended, is hereby adopted and approved for early voting by personal appearance and by mail, election day voting, and provisional ballots.

**SECTION 3.** The City Secretary is hereby directed to cause notice of said election be posted on the bulletin board used to post notice of the City Council meetings, the City's website and be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City. That said notice must be published at least once, not earlier than the 30th day nor later than the 10th day, before Election Day as provided in Section 4.003(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code. A copy of the published notice that contains the name of the newspaper and the date of publication shall be retained as a record of such notice, and the person posting the notice shall make a record of the time of posting, starting date, and the place of posting, and the person posting the notice shall make a record at the time of posting stating the date and place of posting in accordance with Texas Election Code Section 4.005.

**SECTION 4.** The entire City shall constitute one election precinct for this election and the Municipal Court | Parks and Recreation Building, 301 Century Parkway, Allen, Texas, and Allen ISD Municipal Service Center, 1451 N. Watters Road, Allen, Texas, are hereby designated as polling places. The election officers and maximum number of clerks for said polling place shall be determined and appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Election Services Contract.

On Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

The Collin County Elections Office, 2010 Redbud Boulevard, Suite 102, McKinney, Texas 75069, is hereby designated the main early voting place. Early voting by personal appearance shall also be conducted at the Municipal Court | Parks and Recreation Building, 301 Century Parkway, Allen, Texas, and Allen ISD Municipal Service Center, 1451 N. Watters Road, Allen, Texas.

City of Allen voters may vote at any of the additional Election Day or Early Voting locations open under full contract services with the Collin County Elections Administration. If the Collin County Elections Administrator revises the polling places listed previously in the Elections Services Contract, the City will utilize the polling places designated in said Election Services Contract, as the same may be amended from time to time.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be received and processed by the Collin County Elections Administrator, 2010 Redbud Boulevard, Suite 102, McKinney, Texas 75069. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 20, 2021.

Early voting for the General Election shall begin on Monday, April 19, 2021, and end Tuesday, April 27, 2021, and the dates and hours designated for early voting by personal appearance at the early voting locations shall be as set forth below:

Dates	Hours
Monday, April 19, 2021, through Saturday, April 24, 2021	8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Monday, April 26, 2021, through Tuesday, April 27, 2021	7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

For purposes of processing ballots cast in early voting, the election officers for the early voting ballot board for this election shall be appointed and designated in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

**SECTION 5.** The City Secretary shall present the Joint General Election returns to the City Council at a Council meeting for the canvassing of said election in accordance with the Texas Election Code. The candidate for Councilmembers for Place Nos. 1, 3, 5 that receives a majority of valid votes by qualified voters at the election shall be declared elected. In the event no candidate receives a majority of all the votes cast for all the candidates for an office, a runoff election shall be conducted on June 5, 2021, as set forth in the Election Services Contract or other date ordered by the City Council in accordance with the Allen City Charter and State law.

**SECTION 6.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLEN, COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021.**

**APPROVED:**

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**Kenneth M. Fulk, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**Shelley B. George, TRMC, CITY SECRETARY**