RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 4, 2025, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS FOR PLACES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6.

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Mesquite, Texas requires the regular municipal election for the City to be held on a uniform election date in November, provided by the general election laws of the State of Texas, in odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, Texas Election Code § 41.001(a) provides a general election of city officials may be held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the City Council of the City of Mesquite order an election to be held November 4, 2025, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Councilmembers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> <u>Findings</u>. The findings contained in the preamble of this resolution are determined to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as a part of this resolution.

SECTION 2. General Election Ordered. A general election shall be held in the City of Mesquite on November 4, 2025. At the election, there shall be elected by the qualified voters of the City a Mayor (at large) and City Councilmembers (single member districts) for Places 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. The candidates for Mayor shall meet all requirements and shall be residents of the City of Mesquite. The Mayor shall be elected by majority vote of the City at large. The candidates for Councilmember Places 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 shall meet all requirements and shall be residents of their respective Districts, being Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, and shall be elected by majority vote of voters residing in each respective district. The election shall be held in accordance with the Election Code of the State of Texas, the Statutes of the State of Texas, and the Charter and ordinances of the City of Mesquite and shall be in conformity with the procedures set forth herein.

SECTION 3. Notice. The Mayor shall give notice of the election by causing the notice to be published at least once not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day as provided in § 4.003(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code, and the notice shall include the information required by Texas Election Code § 4.004. Notice shall also be posted on the City's website and on the bulletin boards used for posting notices of the meetings of the City Council not later than the 21st day before election day.

SECTION 4. Election Administration. The election shall be administered by the Dallas County Elections Department and Kaufman County Elections Department pursuant to Joint Election Agreements. In compliance with Texas Election Code § 271.006, Heider Garcia, Dallas County Elections Administrator, is hereby appointed election officer and clerk of early voting in Dallas County and Tandi Smith, Kaufman County Elections Administrator, is hereby appointed election officer and clerk of early voting in Kaufman County.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> <u>Polling Places</u>. The location of each polling place on election day shall be stated in the notice provided under Section 3 of this Resolution.

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<u>SECTION 6.</u> <u>Early Voting</u>. The early voting polling places for conducting early voting by personal appearance for said election are set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>. The early voting ballots for the election will be processed by an early voting ballot board to be created in accordance with the Texas Election Code § 87, as amended, and Joint Election Agreement.

SECTION 7. Voting Hours; Period for Early Voting by Personal Appearance.

- (a) On election day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- (b) The dates and hours for early voting by personal appearance at the early voting polling places shall be as described in Exhibit A hereto.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> <u>Applications for Early Voting by Mail</u>. For residents in Dallas County, an application for a ballot to be voted by mail shall be submitted by mail, carrier delivery, fax or email (scanned application containing an original signature) to:

Heider Garcia, Early Voting Clerk Dallas County Elections Department 1520 Round Table Dr. Dallas, Texas 75247

Email: evapplications@dallascounty.org

Fax: 214.819.6301

For residents in Kaufman County, an application for a ballot to be voted by mail shall be submitted by mail, carrier delivery, fax or email (scanned application containing an original signature) to:

Tandi Smith, Early Voting Clerk Kaufman County Elections Department P.O. Box 1347 Kaufman, Texas 75142

Email: tandi.smith@kaufmancounty.net

Fax: 469.932.1413

If an application for ballot by mail ("ABBM") is faxed or emailed or if a Federal Postcard Application ("FPCA") is faxed, the early voting clerk must receive the original ABBM or FPCA no later than the 4th business day after receiving the emailed or faxed ABBM or faxed FPCA. If such original ABBM or FPCA is not received by the early voting clerk by the deadline, the faxed or emailed ABBM or faxed FPCA will be considered incomplete and the early voting clerk may NOT send the applicant a ballot. The requirement to mail the original application does not apply to an emailed FPCA. An ABBM must be received by Noon or close of business, whichever is later, on Friday, October 24, 2025. An FPCA must be received in accordance with Texas Election Code § 101.052.

SECTION 9. Severability. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, that the words, phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this resolution are severable, and if any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this resolution shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining words, phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of this resolution, the City Council hereby declaring that this resolution would have been enacted by the City Council without incorporation of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

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<u>SECTION 10.</u> <u>Runoff.</u> Should any candidate running for Mayor or Councilmember fail to receive a majority vote of all votes cast for that office in said election, then in that event, it shall be the duty of the Mayor to order a second election for the candidate or candidates failing to receive a majority vote, said election to be held in accordance with State law.

<u>SECTION 11.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 18th day of August 2025.

	Daniel Alemán, Jr.
	Mayor
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ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
Sonja Land City Secretary	David L. Paschall
City Secretary	City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted by the Dallas County Elections Department and Kaufman County Elections Department.

Any qualified voter for the election may vote early by personal appearance at either the main early voting location or at any of the branch locations.

The main early voting polling place in **Dallas County** is:

Elections Training/Warehouse 1460 Round Table Dr. Dallas, Texas 75247

The main early voting polling place in **Kaufman County** is:

Kaufman County Library Community Room 3790 S. Houston St. Kaufman, Texas 75142

For City of Mesquite registered voters in **Dallas County**, early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at:

Dallas	County	Mesquite	Government	Center,	500 S. Galloway Ave.	Mesquite, TX 75149
Commu	nity Room	, L101				
Florence Recreation Center, Event Room			2501 Whitson Way	Mesquite, TX 75150		
Eastfield	d Campus -	– Dallas Coll	ege, G Building	, Lobby	3737 Motley Dr.	Mesquite, TX 75150

(Provided by Dallas County Elections Department. Subject to change.)

and at all locations as designated by the Dallas County Elections Administrator, on the following dates and times:

Monday – Friday, October 20, 2025, through October 24, 2025, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 25, 2025, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 26, 2025, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Monday – Friday, October 27, 2025, through October 31, 2025, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

For City of Mesquite registered voters in **Kaufman County**, early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at:

Forney Sub Courthouse, Court Room	200 E. Main St.	Forney, TX 75126
Terrell Sub Courthouse, Training Center	408 E. College St.	Terrell, TX 75160
Kemp Sub Courthouse, Court Room	103 N. Main St.	Kemp, TX 75143
Crandall/Combine Community Ctr., Community Room	500 W. Lewis/FM 3039	Crandall, TX 75114

(Provided by Kaufman County Elections Department. Subject to change.)

on the following dates and times:

Monday – Friday, October 20, 2025, through October 24, 2025, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 25, 2025, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 26, 2025, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Monday – Wednesday, October 27, 2025, through October 29, 2025, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday – Friday, October 30, 2025, through October 31, 2025, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.