RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, CALLING THE ANNUAL CITY ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the Texas Election Code, Section 41.001(a), provides for a general election of City Officials to be held the first Saturday in May; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the City Council of the City of Mesquite call an election to be held May 6, 2017, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Councilmembers;

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

<u>SECTION 1.</u> That an election shall be held May 6, 2017, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Councilmembers from each of the following places: Nos. 1, 2 and 6. Candidates for Place Nos. 1 and 2 must have resided in Districts 1 and 2, respectively, as heretofore established by the City Charter, for a period of 120 days next preceding the election date.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Notice of such election shall be published at least once not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day as provided in Section 4.003(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> Said 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.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted by the Dallas County Elections Department. Toni Pippins-Poole, Dallas County Elections Administrator, is hereby appointed clerk of early voting in compliance with Section 271.006 of the Texas Election Code. Early voting will be conducted at Lakeside Activity Center, 101 Holley Park Drive, Mesquite, Texas, and at all locations as designated by the Dallas County Elections Administrator.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted on weekdays beginning Monday, April 24, 2017, and continuing through Friday, April 28, 2017, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Saturday, April 29, 2017, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 30, 2017, between 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., and Monday, May 1, 2017, through Tuesday, May 2, 2017, between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Any qualified voter for the Joint 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 is:

Dallas County Records Building 509 Main Street Dallas, Texas 75202 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:

Toni Pippins-Poole Early Voting Clerk Dallas County Elections Department 2377 N. Stemmons Freeway, Suite 820 Dallas, Texas 75207 Email: evapplications@dallascounty.org Fax: 214.819.6303

Applications for ballots by mail must be received by Noon or close of business, whichever is later, on Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast for Mayor and for Councilmember for each place shall be elected Mayor and Councilmember, respectively, for that place for which he/she is a candidate. In the event any candidate does not receive a majority of the votes cast for a particular office and a runoff election is necessary, said runoff 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.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 6th day of February 2017.

Stan Pickett Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Smith

B. J. Smith City Attorney

Sonja Land City Secretary