

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 5, 2019, 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 requires the regular municipal election for the City to be held on the uniform election date 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 5, 2019, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and Councilmembers.

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

SECTION 1. A general election shall be held in the City of Mesquite on November 5, 2019. 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.

SECTION 2. 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 § 4.003(a)(1) of the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 3. 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.

SECTION 4. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted by the Dallas County Elections Department and Kaufman County Elections Department.

Toni Pippins-Poole, Dallas County Elections Administrator, Dallas County, and Brenda Samples, Tax Assessor/Collector, Kaufman County, are hereby appointed clerks of early voting in compliance with Section 271.006 of the Texas Election Code.

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:

George L. Allen, Sr., Courts Building
600 Commerce Street
Dallas, Texas 75202

The main early voting polling place in Kaufman County is:

Kaufman County Courthouse Annex
100 North Washington Street
Kaufman, Texas 75142

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

Lakeside Activity Center
101 Holley Park Drive
Mesquite, Texas 75149

Florence Recreation Center
2501 Whitson Way
Mesquite, Texas 75150

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

Monday – Friday, October 21, 2019, through October 25, 2019, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 26, 2019, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 27, 2019, 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Monday – Wednesday, October 28, 2019, through October 30, 2019, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday – Friday, October 31, 2019, through November 1, 2019, 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
200 East Main Street
Forney, Texas 75126

Kemp Sub Courthouse
103 North Main
Kemp, Texas 75143

Terrell Sub Courthouse
408 East College
Terrell, Texas 75160

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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:

Toni Pippins-Poole
Early Voting Clerk
Dallas County Elections Department

2377 North Stemmons Freeway, Suite 820
Dallas, Texas 75207
Email: evapplications@dallascounty.org
Fax: 214.819.6303

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:

Brenda Samples
Early Voting Clerk
Kaufman County Courthouse Annex
P.O. Box 339
Kaufman, Texas 75142
Email: phillip.osteen@kaufmancounty.net
Fax: 972.932.1413

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 25, 2019. An FPCA must be received in accordance with V.T.C.A., Election Code, § 101.052.

SECTION 5. 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.

SECTION 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.


DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 5th day of August 2019.

Stan Pickett
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Sonja Land
City Secretary


David L. Paschall
City Attorney