

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLESON, TEXAS, FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD TO CONSIDER LEGALIZATION OF THE LEGAL SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-PREMISE CONSUMPTION ONLY.

WHEREAS, the City of Burleson, Texas (“City”), is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the city secretary received in compliance with Texas Election Code Section 501.023 a valid application filed by 10 or more qualified voters of the City of Burleson requesting petitions to be circulated among qualified voters; and

WHEREAS, the city secretary issued petitions 2023000001 through 2023001200, pursuant to Texas Election Code Section 501.028, seeking an election to legalize the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption; and

WHEREAS, petitions were issued December 5, 2023, with a deadline of February 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the petitions were returned to the city secretary February 2, 2024, within the deadline; and

WHEREAS, the city contracted with Tarrant County Elections to verify all 7,206 signatures on the petitions filed with the city secretary in accordance with Texas Election Code Section 501.301; and

WHEREAS, the number of signatures of qualified voters required for the petitions is 5,430 and 5,505 were verified and qualified; and

WHEREAS, the city secretary is presenting these findings and requesting the city council to accept the findings within the required timeframe;

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

Section 1.

I, Amanda Campos, City Secretary for the City of Burleson, Texas, hereby certify that I received a valid application by 10 or more qualified voters of the City of Burleson requesting petitions for circulation among qualified voters for an election to legalize the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only. I issued petitions 2023000001 through 2023001200, pursuant to the Texas Election Code on December 5, 2023, for circulation by the applicants. The deadline for the applicant to return the petition to the city secretary was February 5, 2024.

Section 2.

Pursuant to Texas Election Code Section 501.031 the city secretary through Tarrant County Elections verified the petitions filed February 2, 2024. The number of required signatures is 5,430. The petitions contain 7,206 signatures, and of that amount 5,505 signatures were qualified and accepted as valid; therefore, the petition meets the requirements of the Texas Election Code.

Section 3.

Texas Election Code Section 501.032 requires the city secretary to present to the city council at their next regular meeting on or after the 30th day the petitions are filed and the findings for the city council to accept and take appropriate action. The petition is sufficient to cause the city council to order a Special Local Option Election to be held on the next uniform election date, which is November 5, 2024.

Section 4.

This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND SO RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Burleson, Texas, on the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Chris Fletcher, Mayor
City of Burleson, Texas

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Amanda Campos, City Secretary

E. Allen Taylor, Jr., City Attorney