

CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 793

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING AND CALLING FOR THE MAY 6, 2023 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING PERSONS TO THE OFFICES OF COUNCILMEMBER PLACES 1, 3, AND 5; AUTHORIZING A JOINT ELECTION WITH OTHER TARRANT COUNTY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS; AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH TARRANT COUNTY; PROVIDING A RUNOFF DATE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Whereas, the General Election for City Council members of the City of Everman is required to be held on May 6, 2023, at which time the qualified voters will elect persons to fill the offices of City Council Places 1, 3, and 5; and

Whereas, in accordance with Section 271.002 of the Texas Election Code, the City election will be conducted jointly with other political subdivisions of Tarrant County, Texas; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Everman finds it to be in the public interest to call the foregoing election and to enter into a contract with Tarrant County to conduct said election jointly with other Tarrant County governmental entities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. A general municipal election is hereby ordered to be held to elect the officers of City Council Places 1, 3, and 5 to serve until May of 2027 or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Such election shall be held at the Everman Civic Center, 213 North Race Street, Everman, Texas on the 6th day of May 2023 from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Section 2. The election will be conducted jointly with other political subdivisions in Tarrant County on May 6, 2023, pursuant to Chapter 31 and 271, Texas Election Code and Joint Election Agreement and Election Services Contract by and between the City of Everman, Tarrant County, and other political subdivisions (the "Joint Elections Agreement").

Section 3. Qualified persons may file as candidates by filing applications at the Office of the City Secretary from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. beginning January 18, 2023 and through February 17, 2023.

Section 4. The election precinct and polling place of said election shall be as follows:

City Voting Precinct

Everman Civic Center
213 North Race Street

Everman, TX 76140

Election polls shall open on Election Day at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

Section 5. The following provisions apply to early voting:

- A. Early Voting By Personal Appearance. Early voting by personal appearance will be held jointly with other Tarrant County public entities at the Tarrant County Main Early Voting Sites beginning Monday April 24, 2023 and continuing through Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at the locations and times set forth below:

Main Early Voting Polling Sites

Tarrant County Elections Center
2700 Premier Street
Fort Worth, Texas 76111

Everman Civic Center
213 North Race Street
Everman, Texas 76140

Dates and Times for Early Voting by Personal Appearance

Early voting hours shall be:

Monday, April 24, through Friday, April 28, 2023; 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 29, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 30, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Monday, May 1, through Tuesday, May 2, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- B. Early Voting by Mail: The Tarrant County Elections Administrator (“Elections Administrator”) is hereby designated as the Early Voting Clerk for the General Election. Applications for early voting by mail may be delivered to the Elections Administrator at the following address:

Early Voting Clerk
P.O. Box 961011
Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0011

Not earlier than January 1, 2023 and not later than close of business on April 25, 2023, if delivered in person, and if delivered by mail. Early voting ballots shall be mailed to the Elections Administrator at the same address.

- C. Early voting both by personal appearance and by mail shall be canvassed by the Early Voting Ballot Board established by Tarrant County under the terms of the Joint Elections Agreement and Section 87.001 of the Texas Election Code.

- Section 6:** Appointment of Election Judge and Alternate Election Judge: The Presiding Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge shall be appointed by Tarrant County as authorized by Chapter 271 of the Election Code.
- Section 7:** The election shall be held in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Texas and the Election Code, and all resident qualified voters of the City shall be eligible to vote at the election.
- Section 8.** In the event no candidate for one of the offices to be elected in the foregoing election receives a majority of all votes cast for all candidates for such office, a runoff election shall be called for such office as provided for by the Charter of the City and the State Election Code.
- Section 9.** The City Manager is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract for the joint election and election services with Tarrant County.
- Section 10.** The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to file, publish, and/or post, in the time and manner prescribed by law, all notices required to be so filed, published and/or posted in connection with this election.
- Section 11.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council of the City of Everman, Texas.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVERMAN, TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS THIS THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.

APPROVED:

Ray Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**Mindi Parks
City Secretary**

John D. Oliver, Asst. City Attorney