



May 4, 2024 City Election

Considerations and Resolutions

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3 Elections Planned



General Election

- Mayor
- Council Member, Place 1

Special Election

- Reauthorizing local sales and use tax for street maintenance

Special Election

- Issuance of general obligation bonds for road projects



General Election

Filing Period	Jan 17th – Feb 16th
Order Elections (General & Special)	Feb 15th
Cancellation of General Election if No Candidate Opposed	Feb 23rd
Early Voting Period	April 22nd – April 30th
Election Day	May 4th
Canvass Period	May 7th – May 15th
Special Meeting to Canvass Election	May 15th
Oath of Office/Council Members Assume Duty	May 16th

Special Election – Reauthorizing Local Sales & Use Tax for Street Maintenance



- For maintenance and repair of existing streets and sidewalks– not to build new roads
- One fourth of one percent (0.25%)
- Initially approved in 2008 and reauthorized by voters every 4 years
- Will expire December 31, 2024 unless voters reauthorize it
- Paid by the consumer, both resident and non-resident on taxable sales from local businesses and **through online purchases**
- Educational pamphlet to be distributed to citizens via mail and social media

Special Election – General Obligation Bond Election



- General obligation bonds for road projects
 - Dietz Elkhorn Road
 - Rolling Acres Trail
 - Ammann Road
 - Battle Intense at Trailside

Historically



General Elections

- Ordered by resolutions

Special Elections

- Ordered by ordinance

Charter and State Law



Home Rule Charter

- Section 4.01 - The City Council may order a special election by ordinance or resolution
- Section 3.06 f- Legislation by Ordinance No ordinance shall be finally adopted at the meeting of city council at which it is first introduced (thus 2 readings required)

Texas Government Code

- Section 1201.028 – Single Meeting of Governing Body Sufficient. Notwithstanding any other law, including a provision in a municipal charter, the following actions taken at a meeting of the governing body of an issuer are effective immediately and a subsequent meeting is not required
 - A resolution, order or ordinance call an election to authorize the issuance and sale of a public security



Staff Proposes

- Ordering all elections by resolution
 - One reading required
 - Same action regardless of election type

Contracting – Additional Considerations



Kendall County

- BISD likely to have election
 - 3 Seats Open

Bexar County

- Possible Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District (TGRGCD) election

- Staff anticipates contracting with Kendall County for City elections
- Staff looking for opportunities to accommodate both counties should TGRGCD call an election with Bexar County



Questions?