

RESOLUTION R-01-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FULTON, ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR SAID ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2024; THE GENERAL ELECTION SHALL BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE POSITION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS TO REPRESENT MAYOR, ALDERMAN PLACE 1, AND ALDERWOMAN PLACE 5 FOR TWO YEAR TERMS; DESIGNATING POLLING PLACES FOR EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FULTON, TEXAS:

Section 1. In accordance with the general laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, a General Election is hereby called and ordered for Saturday, May 4, 2024. This General Election is being held for all qualified voters of the Town to vote for the position of Mayor for a two-year term, Alderman Place 1 for a two-year term, and Alderwoman Place 5 for a two-year term.

Section 2. That the City Secretary is hereby directed to cause notice to be given of said election by publication in the official newspaper of the Town of Fulton, Texas in accordance with the State Election Code.

Section 3. That the City Secretary is hereby directed to cause to be published in the official newspaper of the Town of Fulton this Resolution as presented by the Town Council at the Wednesday, January 17, 2024, Regular Town Council Meeting in accordance with Town Council and State Election Code.

Section 4. That applications to have the name of a candidate placed on the ballot may not be filed earlier than thirty (30) days before the deadline prescribed by the Election Code for filing applications with the City Secretary and that the earliest date for a candidate to file same will be Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 8:00 a.m., with the last day for filing to be Friday, February 16, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in accordance with Election Code Sec. 143.006 and 143.007.

Section 5. That the order in which names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot for the positions of Mayor, Alderman Place 1, and Alderwoman Place 5 will be determined by a drawing conducted by the City Secretary as provided by Sec. 52.094 of the Texas Election Code on Friday, February 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the office of the City Secretary at 201 North Seventh Street, Fulton, Texas.

Section 6. That the Office of the City Secretary and the Election Administrator shall perform all duties normally performed by the County Clerk in general elections with respect early voting, giving notice of the election, and preparing the official ballots.

Section 7. That the voting place on Election Day and election officer of said Town election shall be as follows:

Location: Aransas County Elections and Voter Registration Office
602 E. Concho, Rockport, TX 78382
Election Officer: Kevin Stroud, Election Administrator

Election clerks shall be paid \$12.00 per hour. The Presiding Judge shall receive \$12 per hour and an additional \$25.00 for conducting the election.

The polls at the polling place shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Section 8. That Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the Aransas County Voting Centers listed on the attached Exhibit "A" beginning Monday, April 22, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. and ending on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted during regular business hours of the Election Administrator's Office each weekday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., except for the final two days of the early voting period. On the final two days of early voting by personal appearance, April 29 and April 30, 2024, the Election Administrator's business hours are hereby designated as 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (Section 85.005, Election Code)

Section 9. That notice of this election shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and returns of such notice shall be made as provided for in said code. The Mayor shall issue all necessary orders and writs for such elections and returns of such election shall be made to the City Secretary immediately after the closing of the polls.

Section 10. That all resident, qualified voters of the Town of Fulton shall be permitted to vote in said election. In addition, the election materials as outlined in Section 272.005, Texas Election Code, shall be printed in both English and Spanish for use at the polling place and for early voting for said election.

Section 11. That the Mayor is authorized to sign an Order of Election prescribed by the State of Texas on behalf of the City Council. The notice of Regular Municipal Election shall be published in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Section 12. That should any part, section, paragraph, sentence, or phrase contained in this resolution be held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this resolution, but in all respects said remaining portion shall be and remain in full force and effect.

Section 13. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Fulton, County of Aransas, State of Texas, on this 17th of January 2024.

Kelli Cole, Mayor
Town of Fulton

ATTEST:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary
Town of Fulton

EXHIBIT “A”

Main Vote Centers (All Precincts)

Aransas County elections & Voter Registration Office (side entrance)
602 E. Concho St.
Rockport, TX 78382

Voting by mail

Kevin A. Stroud
Aransas County Early Voting Clerk
602 E Concho St.
Rockport, TX 78382