



## **COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM FORM**

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**MEETING DATE:** March 7, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM #:** 9

**SUBMITTED BY:** Lydia Lopez, City Secretary

**ITEM DESCRIPTION:**

Consideration and possible action on **Ordinance No. 2022-04** declaring unopposed candidates in the May 7, 2022 General Election to be elected to office and canceling the General Election as prescribed in the Texas Election Code.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ITEM SUMMARY:**

On February 7, 2022, the Council approved Ordinance No. 2022-03 ordering a General Election to elect three (3) council members for Ward 1, Place 2, Ward 2, Place 2, and Ward 3, Place 2. The deadline to file for a place on the ballot and to file as a declared write-in has passed. Only one candidate filed to run for each position.

Texas Election Code, Section 2.052 and 2.053 requires the city secretary to deliver to the Council a certification (attached) that each candidate in the election is unopposed. Upon receipt of that certification, the governing body, by order or ordinance, may declare each unopposed candidate elected to the office. Candidates Johnny Stephens, Johnny Price, and Steve Fortenberry had no opposition. The attached ordinance declares the unopposed candidates elected to office, cancels the election and provides the required posting of an Order of Cancellation.

At the May 16, 2022 Council meeting, the City Secretary will issue Certificates of Election and administer the oath of office to incoming Council members. Staff recommends approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount Budgeted – \$7,000

Line Item in Budget – 10-50210-61-00/20-50210-93-00

**SUGGESTED MOTION:**

I move to approve Ordinance No. 2022-04 cancelling the City's General Election and declaring unopposed candidates elected to office.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Certification of Unopposed Candidates  
Ordinance and Exhibit