

**ORDINANCE 2023-02**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN  
THE MAY 6, 2023 GENERAL CITY ELECTION, ELECTED  
TO OFFICE; CANCELING THE ELECTION; PROVIDING A  
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS, a general city election was called for May 6, 2023, for the purpose of electing members to the city council; and**

**WHEREAS, the city secretary has certified in writing that there is no proposition on the ballot, that no person has made a declaration of write-in candidacy, and that the candidate on the ballot is unopposed for election to office; and**

**WHEREAS, under these circumstances, Subchapter C, Chapter 2, Election Code, authorizes the city council to declare the candidates elected to office and cancel the election; NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, TEXAS:**

**Section 1. The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 7, 2022 general city election, are declared elected to office. And shall be issued a certificate of election following the time the election would have been canvassed:**

<b>Mary Keys</b>	<b>Place #1 Alderperson</b>
<b>Mark Huddleston</b>	<b>Place #3 Alderperson</b>
<b>Rebecca Bailey</b>	<b>Place #5 Alderperson</b>

**Section 2. The May 6, 2023 general city election is canceled, and the city secretary is directed to cause a copy of this ordinance to be posted on election day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.**

**Section 3. It is declared to be the intent of the city council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this ordinance is declared invalid by the judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of this ordinance since the city council would have enacted them without the invalid portion.**

**Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, and it is so ordained.**

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.**

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**Brad Hyman – Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Kathy Lovier – City Secretary**

**CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES  
BY THE CITY SECRETARY**

**I, Kathy Lovier, certify that I am the City Secretary of the City of Mount Vernon, Texas, and the authority responsible for preparing the ballot for the May 6, 2023 General City Election. I further certify that no proposition is to appear on the ballot at the election, no person has made a declaration of write-in candidacy, and all of the following candidates are unopposed:**

**Mary Keys  
Mark Huddleson  
Rebecca Bailey**

**Place #1 Alderperson  
Place #3 Alderperson  
Place #5 Alderperson**

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**Kathy Lovier – City Secretary  
City of Mount Vernon, Texas**

**Dated this 13th day of March, 2023.**