
CITY OF PORT LAVACA

CC MEETING: MARCH 08, 2021

AGENDA ITEM # _____

DATE: 2/27/2021

TO: JODY WEAVER, INTERIM CITY MANAGER
cc: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: MANDY GRANT, CITY SECRETARY

SUBJECT: CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDER CANCELLING THE MAY 01, 2021 GENERAL OFFICERS ELECTION, SPECIFICALLY THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, SINGLE DISTRICT #2 AND #6 AND FURTHER DECLARING THE UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES DULY ELECTED

BACKGROUND:

In order to cancel an election, the governing body **must first receive and accept** the certification that candidates in an election are unopposed and that no other issues or propositions are being presented at the election for consideration. The certification must come from the authority responsible for preparing the ballot and in a city election, that authority is the City Secretary.

After Council receives and formally accepts the certification, it must adopt an Order cancelling the election. The order must be adopted in an open session. Copies of the order must be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used had the election not been cancelled.

Certificates of Election should be prepared for each unopposed candidate; however, the certificates should not be issued until on or after Election Day as candidates must wait until that time to take the Oath of Office. Statement of Elected Officer may be signed prior to Election Day, but is normally executed at the same time the Oath is administered.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Cancellation of any part of the election will save on the expense of ordering ballots for those positions that are unopposed.

IMPACT ON COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:

An election of officers ensures the well-being of the community and its citizens by their governing representatives.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and adopt order of cancellation.

ATTACHMENTS:

Order of Cancellation.