



TOWN SECRETARY

To: Mayor and Town Council

From: Michelle Lewis Sirianni, Town Secretary

Through: Mario Canizares, Town Manager
Robyn Battle, Executive Director of Community Services

Re: Canceling May General Election

Town Council Meeting – February 28, 2023

Agenda Item:

Consider and act upon an ordinance canceling the May 6, 2023, General Election.

Description of Agenda Item:

In accordance with the Texas Election Law, the filing period deadline for casting a place on the May 6, 2023, ballot was Friday, February 17 and the write-in deadline was Tuesday, February 21. No other applications for a place on the ballot were received other than the incumbents. Therefore, allowing the Town to cancel the General Election.

Due to the Town also holding a Special Election for the Special Purpose Districts, it shall be noted that Senate Bill 1 amended Section 2.053 of the Election Code to state if a separate election is being held at the same time as a cancelled election, the unopposed candidates must be listed on the ballot for the separate election under the heading "Unopposed Candidates Declared Elected." Names will be listed in relative order with no votes being cast in connection with the candidates. An unopposed candidate who is declared elected may not qualify for office until after the regular canvassing takes place.

Budgetary Impact:

The Town will hold the Special Election with services funded through account 100-5460-10-02, Election Expenses. There is no direct budgetary impact associated with this item.

Legal Obligations and Review:

Terrence Welch of Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P., has reviewed and approved the ordinance as to form and legality.

Attached Documents:

1. Ordinance: English & Spanish
2. Certification of Unopposed Candidates

Town Staff Recommendation:

Town staff recommends the Town Council approve an ordinance canceling the May 6, 2023, General Election.

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve an ordinance canceling the May 6, 2023, General Election.