

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01

**A RESOLUTION AND ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TOMBALL, TEXAS, ORDERING A REGULAR CITY OFFICER'S
ELECTION, TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF TOMBALL ON SATURDAY,
MAY 1, 2021; DESIGNATING THE POLLING PLACES AND
APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS FOR SUCH ELECTION;
DIRECTING THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF SUCH ELECTION;
DESIGNATING THE DATE FOR A RUNOFF ELECTION IF NEEDED;
AND PROVIDING DETAILS RELATING TO THE HOLDING OF SUCH
ELECTION**

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOMBALL, TEXAS:

Section 1: It is hereby ordered that a Regular Election be held in and throughout the City of Tomball, Texas on the second Saturday in May, the 1st day of May, 2021, at which election the following officers shall be elected by the resident qualified voters in and for the said City of Tomball, to-wit:

POSITION

**COUNCIL POSITION 2
COUNCIL POSITION 4**

Section 2: The present boundaries of the City constituting one election precinct, the polls shall be open for voting from seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. until seven o'clock (7:00) p.m. at the following polling place, and the following are hereby appointed officers to conduct the election at said polling place:

POLLING PLACE

Tomball City Hall
401 Market Street
Tomball, Texas 77375

ELECTION OFFICERS

Patsy Kinsey, Presiding Judge
Latrell Shannon, Alternate Presiding Judge.

The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to provide a copy of the RESOLUTION to the judges as written notice of their appointment as required by Section 32.009 of the Texas Election Code. If either the Presiding Judge or the Alternate Presiding Judge is unable to perform his/her assigned duties, the City Secretary is authorized to select an Acting Presiding or Acting Alternate Presiding Judge from the qualified Election Clerks, as needed.

The Presiding Judge shall have the authority to appoint no more than seven (7) clerks to assist in the holding of such election, but in no event shall the Presiding Judge appoint less than two clerks. Said election officers shall also serve as the Early Voting Ballot Board for such election; the Presiding Judge of such election precinct shall also serve as the Presiding Officer of the Early Voting Ballot Board.

The Election Judge shall be compensated at an hourly rate of \$15.00; early voting clerks and election clerks shall be compensated at an hourly rate of \$14.00 as provided by Title 3, Section 32.091(a) of the State Election Code. The Election Judge shall be compensated in the amount of \$25 for the delivery of election equipment and supplies as provided by Title 3, Section 32.091(a) of the State Election Code, if such delivery is necessary. The City will pay for any required training of the City's election judges and clerks. Judges and clerks will also be reimbursed for travel and will be paid at the set hourly rates for training time.

Section 4: The City Secretary is hereby appointed the Elections Clerk for early voting; the appointment of a deputy clerk or clerks for early voting by the City Secretary shall be in accordance with Section 83.001 *et seq.* of the Texas Election Code. The place for early voting for such election is hereby designated as:

City Hall
City of Tomball, Texas
401 Market Street
Tomball, Texas 77375.

Said clerks shall keep said office open during the hours that the City Hall is regularly open for business, that is, from seven forty-five o'clock (7:45) a.m. until five o'clock (5:00) p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, from seven forty-five o'clock (7:45) a.m. until seven forty-five o'clock (7:45) p.m. on Tuesday, and from seven forty-five o'clock (7:45) a.m. until four o'clock (4:00) p.m. on Friday, on each day for early voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official state holiday, beginning on the twelfth (12th) day and continuing through the fourth (4th) day preceding the date of such election. As required under Section 85.005 (d), Election Code, early voting by personal appearance at the main early voting polling place shall be conducted for at least 12 hours on two weekdays, if the early voting period consists of six or more weekdays; therefore, early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted for 12 hours on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 and Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Said clerks shall not permit anyone to vote early by personal appearance on any day which is not a regular working day for the clerk's office, and under no circumstances shall they permit anyone to vote early by personal appearance at any time when such office is not open to the public. The above-described place for early voting is also the clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent. The early voting clerk, in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, shall maintain a roster listing each person who votes early by personal appearance and each person to whom a ballot to be voted by mail is sent. The roster shall be maintained in a form approved by the Secretary of State.

Section 5: All ballots shall be prepared in accordance with Texas Election Code. Paper ballots shall be used for early voting by mail and the eSlate Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) Voting System shall be used for early voting by personal appearance and voting on Election Day, both of which are part of the eSlate DRE Voting System. The City Council hereby adopts for use in early and election day voting the eSlate Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) Voting System as approved by the Secretary of State. All expenditures necessary

for the conduct of the election, the purchase of materials therefore, and the employment of all election officials is hereby authorized.

Section 6: The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to furnish all necessary election supplies to conduct such election.

Section 7: 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 election, and returns of such election shall be made to the City Secretary after the closing of the polls.

Section 8: Said election shall be held in accordance with the provisions of Article XI, Section 11 of the Constitution of Texas, which provides that a municipality having terms exceeding two (2) years must fill any vacancy within 120 days after such vacancy occurs, the Texas Election Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended. Only duly qualified resident electors of the City of Tomball shall be qualified to vote.

Section 9: The first day to file an application for place on ballot is January 13, 2021. All candidates for election for the Office of City Council, Position 2 and City Council, Position 4 must file their names with the City Secretary of the City of Tomball, Texas, by 5:00 P.M. on February 12, 2021 in order for their names to be included on the Official Ballot.

Section 10: Should a Runoff Election be required, the date of the Runoff Election is designated to be Saturday, June 5, 2021. Early voting for the Runoff Election will begin May 24, 2021 and end June 1, 2021. All terms, conditions, and provisions established for the May 1, 2021 Regular City Officers Election shall apply to the Runoff Election.

Section 11: The City Secretary is hereby authorized and instructed to give Notice of said election as required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED and RESOLVED this 4th day of January 2021.

GRETCHEN FAGAN, Mayor
City of Tomball

ATTEST:

DORIS SPEER, City Secretary
City of Tomball