

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-005

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF WOLFFORTH, TEXAS, CALLING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2024, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO COUNCILMEMBERS AND MAYOR; MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF SUCH ELECTION ACCORDING TO APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION OF AN APPROPRIATE ELECTIONS ORDER AND NOTICE HEREAFTER; AND OTHER PROVISIONS INCIDENT TO AND RELATED TO THE PURPOSE HEREOF.

WHEREAS, the terms of the office for Council Member Place 1, Council Member Place 2 and Mayor will expire on May 4, 2024;

WHEREAS, a general municipal election is necessary to fill these terms of office; **NOW THEREFORE;**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOLFFORTH AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. THAT a General Municipal Election be held jointly with all cities/schools inside Lubbock County, on the 4th day of May 2024 which date is the next succeeding uniform date available for municipal elections for which sufficient time elapses for the holding of an election after passage of this Ordinance. Said election shall be held to determine the successor for the positions of the mayor and four Councilmembers.

SECTION 3. THAT ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code so that voters may cast ballots for the candidates of their choice.

SECTION 4. THAT individuals wishing to run for the office of a Councilmember or Mayor may apply, in person, with the City Secretary during regular office hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 16, 2024.

SECTION 5. THAT the election shall be held at the Vote Centers listed in Exhibit B and all persons qualified to vote in the City of Wolfforth under the election laws of the State of Texas shall be allowed to vote therein. Said General Municipal Election shall be held on May 4, 2024, and the polling places shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

SECTION 6. THAT notice of the election shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Wolfforth by publication of a Notice of Election as required by Chapter 4 of the Texas Election Code at least once not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before Election Day. In addition, notice of the election shall be posted as required by the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 7. THAT early voting shall commence on the 22nd day of April 2024 and shall conclude on the 30th day of April 2024 and be conducted at the Vote Centers and during the hours listed on Exhibit A; and that the Office of Elections, 1308 Crickets Ave., Lubbock, Texas, serves as the main early voting polling place.

SECTION 8. THAT applications for voting by mail will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, 2024, and applications are available from:

Roxzine Stinson, Early Voting Clerk
P.O. Box 10536
Lubbock, TX 79408

SECTION 9. THAT the election officers, judges, and clerks to serve at the polling place(s) of the election shall be provided by the Lubbock County Office of Elections (“LCOE”), and will be appointed as listed:

Joint Elections Officer:	Roxzine Stinson
Joint Early Voting Clerk:	Roxzine Stinson
Election Day Judge/Supervisor:	as shown on Exhibit C
Election Day Alternate Judge/Rover:	as appointed by LCOE
Early Voting Ballot Board Judge:	Ronny Gallaher
Early Voting Ballot Board Alternate Judge:	Beth Shapiro
Signature Verification Committee:	as appointed by LCOE
Central Count Manager:	Roxzine Stinson
Tabulation Supervisor:	Karyn Cruz
Central Count Presiding Judge:	Beth Bender
Bilingual Election Clerks:	Sandy Salazar Vanessa Huizar Aaron Frodsham

SECTION 10. THAT the election judges and the election clerks shall be paid according to the pay schedule established by the Lubbock County Office of Elections.

SECTION 11. THAT this ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 5TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024

Charles Addington, II, Mayor
City of Wolfforth, Texas

Attest:

Terri Robinette, City Secretary

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