# ORDERING NOVEMBER 8, 2022 SPECIAL ELECTION

August 9, 2022

- On May 25, an initiative petition to eliminate low-level marijuana enforcement was filed with the City Secretary's Office.
- Since the ordinance was not approved as filed, the ordinance must be submitted to the electors at the next uniform election date in November 2022.

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- Conduct Joint Election with Bell County
  - Countywide polling place system
  - Voter convenience (one location, one ballot)
- Early voting Clerk shall be Bell County Elections Administrator

# Ballot language: Proposition A

Shall the ordinance specified in the initiative petition be approved to: prohibit Killeen police officers from issuing citations or making arrests for Class A or B misdemeanor possession of marijuana offenses except in limited circumstances, prohibit Class C citations for drug paraphernalia in lieu of a possession of marijuana charge, prohibit the use of city funds or personnel to perform testing to confirm whether a substance meets the legal definition of marijuana except in limited circumstances, prohibit Killeen police officers from considering the odor of marijuana or hemp to constitute probable cause for any search or seizure except in limited circumstances, require that Killeen police officers receive training on the ordinance, require that policies and procedures be updated in accordance with the ordinance, require regular open meetings with stakeholders to discuss practices related to the ordinance, provide that a violation of the ordinance may subject a Killeen police officer to discipline, and require a report within three months of adoption of the ordinance and annually thereafter to be submitted to City Council concerning implementation of the ordinance?

### **Voting Dates and Times**

- Early Voting
  - □ October 24 October 28 (8 a.m. 5 p.m.)
  - $\square$  October 29 (7 a.m. -7 p.m.)
  - □ October 30 ( 12 p.m. 6 p.m.)
  - $\square$  October 31 November 4 (7 a.m. 7 p.m.)
- □ Election Day:
  - ■November 8, 2022 (7 a.m. 7 p.m.)

## Polling Locations

- Early Voting
  - Bell County Courthouse Annex (Main Early Voting Location)
  - Killeen Bell County Annex
  - Jackson Professional Learning Center
  - Senior Center at Lions Club Park
  - Harker Heights Recreation Center
  - Temple ISD Administration Building
  - Salado Church of Christ

If polling locations are different from the polling places used by the City in May, City will post a notice no later than November 1, 2022 at the entrance to any previous polling place listing all polling places in effect.

#### Recommendation

Approve ordinance calling for November 8, 2022 Special Election.