



STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 21, 2020

TO: Kent Cagle, City Manager

FROM: Traci Briggs, Interim City Attorney

SUBJECT: Calling for the May 2, 2020 General Election to Elect a Mayor and Three Council Members-at-Large

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Texas Election Code, Chapter 3, provides for the ordering of an election not later than the 78th day before the election date. In addition to any other elements required, each order must state the date of the election and the offices or measures to be voted on at the election.

The attached ordinance has been prepared calling the election, giving notice of an election for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three Council Members-at-Large and designating the polling places and times.

THE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

There are no legal alternatives.

Which alternative is recommended? Why?

Staff recommends holding a May 2, 2020 general election for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three Council Members-at-Large.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This ordinance conforms to Article IX of the City Charter authorizing the calling of an election to be held on a uniform election date provided for in the Texas Election Code.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

What is the amount of the expenditure in the current fiscal year? For future years?

The estimated cost to conduct this election is \$75,000. Funds are budged in Account No. 610-1010-416.50-45, Election Expense. If KISD has an election, it will be held jointly with the city and KISD will pay one-half of the total costs of election equipment and personnel.

Is this a one-time or recurring expenditure?

This is an annual expenditure.

Is this expenditure budgeted?

Yes

If not, where will the money come from?

N/A

Is there a sufficient amount in the budgeted line-item for this expenditure?

Yes

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council approve the attached ordinance calling for a May 2, 2020 general election to elect a Mayor and three Council Members-at-Large.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

City Attorney

ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance