



STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 5, 2021
TO: Kent Cagle, City Manager
FROM: Traci Briggs, City Attorney
SUBJECT: Order May 1, 2021 General Election

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 and giving notice of an election for the purpose of electing a district council member for each district 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 1, 2021 general election for the purpose of electing a district council member for each district.

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 \$77,428. Funds are budgeted in 010-1010-416.50-45 Election Expense to cover costs associated with the election. If KISD and/or CTC has an election, it will be held jointly with the city and total costs of election equipment, personnel and supplies would then be distributed evenly amongst the participating entities.

Is this a one-time or recurring expenditure?

Recurring 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 ordinance calling for a May 1, 2021 general election to elect a district council member in each district.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Finance

City Attorney

ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance