

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, CALLING FOR A GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE OFFICES OF CITY COUNCIL PLACE 1, CITY COUNCIL PLACE 2, AND CITY COUNCIL PLACE 5 TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY MAY 2, 2020; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Azle, Texas, is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the general election for City Council members of the City is required to be held on a uniform election date, at which time the voters will elect persons to fill the offices of City Council Place 1, City Council Place 2 and City Council Place 5; and

WHEREAS, Section 41.001 of the Texas Election Code specifies that the May 2, 2020 is a uniform election date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AZLE, TEXAS, THAT:

**SECTION 1.
GENERAL ELECTION CALLED**

The City Council does hereby order a general election to elect the offices of City Council Place 1, City Council Place 2, and City Council Place 5 to serve from May 2020 until May 2022 or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The election shall be conducted according to the laws of the State of Texas, and shall be held on Saturday, May 2, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**SECTION 4.
CONDUCT OF ELECTION**

Tarrant County Elections Administrator, 2700 Premier Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76111 shall conduct and shall be the clerk for early voting of said election for the Tarrant County section of the City; and Parker County Elections Administrator, 1112 Santa Fe, Weatherford, Texas 76086 shall conduct and shall be the clerk for early voting for the Parker County section of the City. The City Secretary of the City of Azle, 505 W. Main Street, Azle, Texas 76020 shall serve as deputy early voting clerk for both counties along with designees from each county. The elections shall be conducted according to the Texas Election Code and the Texas Constitution.

**SECTION 7.
EARLY VOTING**

Early voting both by personal appearance and by mail, will be by the use of Digital Reading Equipment (DRE) voting system in accordance with the Texas Election Code as amended. Early Voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the locations designated by Tarrant and Parker County Elections Administration offices.

**SECTION 8.
ELECTION DAY LOCATION AND HOURS**

On May 2, 2020, Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and shall be held at the following locations:

PARKER COUNTY

Azle City Hall, Community Room
505 W. Main St.
Azle, Texas 76020

TARRANT COUNTY

B. J. Clark Annex, Room 4
603 S. E. Parkway
Azle, Texas 76020

**SECTION 9.
ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES OF THE ELECTION**

The Mayor or the City Manager of the City are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a joint election agreement for said election with Tarrant County and Parker County, Texas and to execute such election agreement for said election. Such agreement will provide for the type of DRE to be used for early voting and on election day, the compensation for election judges and clerks, and will include the locations for and appointment of Central Counting Station Managers. For the Tarrant County side of the City; Central Counting Station Manager Frank Phillips, Tabulation Supervisor Steven Vickers. For the Parker County side of the City; Central Counting Station Dan Markum, Tabulation Supervisor Gina Osborne. Both County Elections Administrators shall process the Early Voting Ballots, and other positions, appointments or requirements as required by law, and any, other requirements or appointments necessary for the conduct of said election for and on behalf of the City. All election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish and Vietnamese (Tarrant County only).

**SECTION 10.
PERSONS QUALIFIED TO VOTE**

All residents who are qualified electors of the City shall be permitted to vote at said election. This election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code as may be required by law.


**SECTION 11.
NOTICE OF ELECTIONS**

(a) Notice of General A substantial copy of this ordinance shall serve as proper notice of the General election. Said notice, including a Spanish and Vietnamese translation thereof, shall be posted not later than the twenty-first (21st) day before the election on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the city council and shall be published at least once, not early than the thirtieth (30th) day nor later than the tenth (10th) day before the election in a newspaper published and of general circulation in the City of Azle.

**SECTION 13.
EFFECTIVE DATE**


This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED on First and Final Reading this the 7th day of January 2020, at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Azle, Texas, by a vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

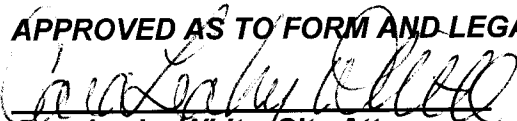


Alan Brundrett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Yael Forgey, JMRC, CMC
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY


Cara Leahy White, City Attorney