

City of Ladonia, Ladonia, Texas
RESOLUTION 2023-02-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LADONIA, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 6th DAY OF MAY, 2023; DESIGNATING THE POLLING PLACE; IMPLEMENTING TWO (2) TWELVE HOUR DAYS FOR EARLY VOTING; DIRECTING THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF SUCH ELECTION; SPECIFYING THE USE OF THE E-SLATE VOTING SYSTEM TO BE LEASED FROM FANNIN COUNTY, HAVA (HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT) COMPLIANT; HOLDING A JOINT ELECTION WITH FISD; AND PROVIDING DETAILS RELATING TO THE HOLDING OF SUCH ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the Uniform Election Day is May 6, 2023 and the City of Ladonia will hold a City Election on May 6, 2023 using HAVA compliant E-Slate machines leased from the County; and

WHEREAS, the Fannindel Independent Schools are required by law to join with a City for the May Election, or join with a County for the November election and the City and the School have agreed to hold a joint election in May, thereby enabling more voters to one location and easier access to voting; and

WHEREAS, the City will have their own expenses, and the School will have their own expenses, but the expenses that are shared will be agreed upon prior as stated in the Joint Election Agreement dated January 17, 2023 and split between the School and the City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADONIA, TEXAS:

Section 1 – Order of Election

It is hereby ordered that a General Election be held in the City of Ladonia on Saturday the 6th day of May, 2023, at which election the following officers shall be elected by the qualified voters of the City:

POSITIONS

Three (3) Alderman (Councilmen) for 2-year Terms

The poll shall be open for voting from seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. until seven o'clock (7:00) p.m. at the following polling place:

Polling Location

Ladonia City Hall, 100 Center Plaza, Ladonia TX 75449

Section 2 – Early Voting

The City Secretary is hereby appointed clerk for early voting; the appointment of a deputy clerk or clerks for early voting by the City Secretary shall be in accordance with Section 83.001 *et seq.* of the Texas Election Code. Designated polling place for early voting for such election is:

Early Voting Location

Ladonia City Hall, 100 Center Plaza Ladonia. TX 75449

Said clerk(s) shall keep said location open during the hours of 8:00 am- 4:00 pm. Monday through Friday on each day for early voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official state holiday, beginning on Monday, April 24, 2023 and continuing through Friday, April 28, 2023 and Monday May 1, 2023- Tuesday May 2, 2023.

Said clerks shall not permit anyone to vote early by personal appearance on any day which is not a regular working day for the clerk's office, and under no circumstances shall they permit anyone to vote early by personal appearance at any time when such office is not open to the public. The above described place for early voting is also the clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent. The early voting clerk, in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, shall maintain a roster listing each person who votes early by personal appearance and each person to whom a ballot to be voted by mail is sent. The roster shall be maintained in a form approved by the Secretary of State.

Section 3 - Ballots

All ballots shall be prepared in accordance with Texas Election Code.

Section 4 – Election Supplies

The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to furnish all necessary election supplies to conduct such election.

Section 5 – Authority & Election Notice

Said election shall be held in accordance with Texas Election Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 as amended.

Notice of this election shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and returns of such notice shall be made as provided for in said Code. The Mayor shall issue all necessary orders and writs for such election, and returns of such election shall be made to the City Secretary after the closing of the polls.

Section 6 – Voting Machines

The City of Ladonia will be leasing the E-Slate voting machine from Fannin County, which has been certified by the Texas Secretary of State for use in local elections in compliance with state and federal law, including relevant provisions of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA Compliant machines).

Section 7 – Joint Election with FISD

As per HB 1, the City of Ladonia and the Fannindel ISD will hold a joint election. The polling place will be Ladonia City Hall, 100 Center Plaza, Ladonia, TX for early voting as well as voting on Saturday May 6, 2023.

Section 8 – Council Authority

That in a Regular Meeting of the Ladonia City Council, which was held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at which a quorum was present, Council voted unanimously to order the City of Ladonia General Election and it is further certified that the Ladonia City Council had full power and lawful authority to pass this resolution.

PASSED this 21st day of February, 2023

Patricia Harrod
Mayor, Patricia Harrod

ATTEST: Dana Burkett
City Secretary, Dana Burkett