RESOLUTION 2020-04

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TO ELECT A COUNCILMEMBER IN THE CITY OF MIDLOTHIAN; DEFINING THE TERM OF OFFICE; DESIGNATING THE POLLING LOCATION(S) FOR SAID ELECTION; DESIGNATING THE ELECTION JUDGE AND PROVIDING FOR CLERICAL PERSONNEL FOR SAID ELECTION; DESIGNATING THE TIME AND PLACE OF SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR A RUN-OFF ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL BALLOTS FOR SAID ELECTION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDLOTHIAN, TEXAS:

- SECTION 1. Special Election of Councilmember. That a special election be held on the first Saturday in May 2020, being May 2, 2020, under and by virtue of the provisions of the Charter of the City of Midlothian, Texas and the laws of the State of Texas, for the purpose of electing a Councilmember Place 6 who shall serve the remainder of an unexpired term of three (3) years, with their term expiring in May 2021.
- SECTION 2. <u>Filing of Applications</u>. Any person desiring his/her name to appear on the official ballot for the election of said Councilmember Place 6, or desiring to file as a write-in candidate, shall file his/her sworn application with the City Secretary at the City Office, beginning February 21, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. and ending on March 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.; write-in candidate filing period ends March 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m..
- SECTION 3. <u>Election Judge and Clerical Personnel.</u> The Election Judge and Clerical Personnel will be appointed/provided by the Ellis County Elections Administrator per our Joint Election Agreement. Ellis County Elections Administrator, Jana Onyon will serve as Early Voting Clerk.
- SECTION 4. <u>Early Voting Board</u>. The Election Judge and designated election clerks are hereby appointed to serve as the Early Voting Ballot Board for the election to be held on Saturday, May 2, 2020.
- SECTION 5. Early Voting. The main early voting vote center for the election shall be the Elections Office at 204 E. Jefferson Street, Waxahachie, Texas. The Midlothian Conference Center, #1 Community Circle, Midlothian, Texas, as well as multiple other locations throughout Ellis County will also be available to voters. With the election being held as a county wide election with multiple vote centers, eligible voters will be able to cast their ballot at any vote center. A complete list of potential early voting vote centers is included as *Exhibit A*. Said vote centers for early voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on normal working days, which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, beginning on April 20, 2020 and continuing through April 24, 2020. In addition, two twelve-hour voting days will be provided: Monday, April 27 and Tuesday, April 28 polls will be open from 7:00 a. m. 7:00 p.m. on those two days.

SECTION 6. <u>Time and Place of Election</u>. That said election shall be held at multiple vote center locations, as listed in *Exhibit B*, for all city precincts and the time of the election shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2020.

SECTION 7. <u>Run-Off Election</u>. Providing for a Run-Off Election if necessary and designating the date as Saturday, June 20, 2020, with the location being multiple vote centers, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and with a designated Presiding Election Judge.

SECTION 8. <u>Bilingual Election</u>. The election shall be conducted with bilingual (English and Spanish) election materials and methods, in accordance with the Federal Voting Rights Act.

SECTION 9. <u>Voting System.</u> The election shall be conducted with DS200 Precinct Scanner/Tabulators, DS450 Absentee Scanner/Tabulators, and ADA compliant Election Systems and Software ExpressVote marking devices, for disabled voters in accordance with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA).

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON THIS THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020.

Richard Reno, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Varner, City Secretary