AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROWLETT, TEXAS, CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ROWLETT TO BE HELD ON MAY 6, 2023; PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on this the 7th day of February, at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Rowlett, Texas, the meeting was called to order and the Council ordered a special election be held on May 6, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Charter Review Commission, the City Council has reviewed the provisions of the Rowlett City Charter and has determined a need for making amendments to the Charter; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion and finds that such amendments should be submitted to the citizens of the City for approval or disapproval at the May 6, 2023, election; and,

WHEREAS, the election shall be held as a Joint Election administered by the Dallas County and Rockwall County Elections Administrators in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and Joint Election Agreements.

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

SECTION 1: That an election be held in the City of Rowlett, Texas on the 6th day of May, 2023, to submit proposed amendments to the Rowlett City Charter to the qualified voters of the City in a manner that the voters may vote “for” or “against” on any amendment or amendments without voting “for” or “against” on all of said amendments; such election being a special election held in conjunction with the General Election, to submit to the qualified voters of the City the following Propositions:

PROPOSITION A

Shall Subsection (2) of Section 3.09 (“City Council Vacancies and Attendance”) of the Rowlett City Charter be amended to include absences from special as well as regular meetings, as opposed to regular meetings exclusively, in determining whether a member of the Council has forfeited the office?

PROPOSITION B

Shall Subsection (2) of Section 3.14 (“Meetings of City Council”) of the Rowlett City Charter be amended to provide that special meetings of the Council may be called at the request of the City Manager, three members of the City Council, or the Mayor, as opposed to the Mayor or a majority of the members of the City Council?

PROPOSITION C
Shall Subsection (7) of Section 2.03 ("Municipal Court") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that the Clerk of the Municipal Court shall be appointed by the City Manager with input from the Chief Judge, and that Deputy Clerks shall be appointed by the City Manager as appropriate?

PROPOSITION D

Shall Subsection (4) of Section 5.04 ("Municipal Judge") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that the removal of the Judges of the Municipal Court may be accomplished, according to State law, with or without cause, after a hearing and by a 2/3 majority vote of the full City Council?

PROPOSITION E

Shall Subsection (2) of Section 12.03 ("Charter Review Commission") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that, in appointing a Charter Review Commission, the City Council shall determine the minimum scope of the Commission's review of the Charter?

PROPOSITION F

Shall Subsection (3) of Section 12.03 ("Charter Review Commission") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that the appointment of a Charter Review Commission shall be no longer than 12 months?

SECTION 2: Each such proposed amendment, if approved by the majority of the qualified voters voting at said election, shall become a part of the Rowlett City Charter as follows:

PROPOSITION A

SECTION 3.09 City Council Vacancies and Attendance

(2) The office of a member of the City Council failing to attend three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the City Council, whether regular or special, without being excused by the City Council shall be declared vacated by a majority vote of all the remaining members of the City Council. Any member of the City Council remaining absent for six (6) consecutive regular meetings of the City Council, whether regular or special, shall be deemed to have forfeited such office.

PROPOSITION B

SECTION 3.14 Meetings of City Council

(2) Special meetings of the City Council shall be held at the call of the Mayor, or a majority of the Councilmembers, the City Manager, or any three (3) Councilmembers, upon provision of public notice in accordance with State law.
PROPOSITION C

SECTION 2.03 Municipal Court

(7) Clerk – The Clerk of the Municipal Court shall be appointed by the City Manager with input from the Chief Judge of the Municipal Court. Deputy Clerks shall be appointed by the City Manager as appropriate Chief Judge or the Court Clerk as directed by the Chief Judge. The Clerk and Deputy Clerks shall have the power to administer oaths and affidavits, make certificates, affix the seal of the Municipal Court thereto, and generally do and perform any and all acts usual and necessary by clerks of courts in issuing processes of courts and conducting the business thereof.

PROPOSITION D

SECTION 5.04 Municipal Judge

(4) Removal – In accordance with State law, the Chief Judge or any Associate Judge of the Municipal Court may be removed from office during their term of office, with or without cause, after a hearing, by a 2/3 majority vote of the full City Council. The Removal or termination of any Municipal Judge shall be done in accordance with State law.

PROPOSITION E

SECTION 12.03 Charter Review Commission

(2) Scope – The City Council shall determine the minimum scope of the review by the Commission.

PROPOSITION F

SECTION 12.03 Charter Review Commission

(3) Term – The term of office of the Commission shall be for not more than six (6) twelve (12) months, at the end of which time a report shall be presented to the City Council and all records of proceedings of the Commission shall be filed with the City Secretary and become a public record.

SECTION 3: That notice of said election shall, as required by law, be published two times in the official newspaper of the City and shall be posted on the bulletin board used to publish notice of the City Council meetings, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day. A copy of the published notice that contains the name of the newspaper and the date of publication shall be retained as a record of such notice, and the person posting the notice shall make a record at the time of posting, the starting
date, and the place of posting. The notice shall also be posted on the bulletin board used to publish notice of City Council meetings not later than the 21st day before Election Day.

SECTION 4: An Order of Special Election for Municipalities is attached hereto and referenced as Exhibit A.

SECTION 5: That the election shall be held between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm on Saturday, May 6, 2023. Polling places for the election are designated to be located at any polling places authorized in joint election agreements with Dallas and Rockwall County.

SECTION 6: Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the following locations:

Dallas County Early Voting Location
City Hall Annex Conference Room, 4004 Main Street, Rowlett 75088

Rockwall County Early Voting Location
Rockwall County Public Library, 1215 E Yellowjacket LN, Rockwall 75087

For the period of early voting permitted by law, the Early Voting clerk shall keep said office open for early voting by personal appearance as follows:

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Additional polling locations may be provided for in accordance with the Election Agreement between the City and the respective Elections Departments.

The Early Voting Clerks for said election shall be as follows:

Michael J. Scarpello, Dallas County Elections Administrator
Christopher Lynch, Rockwall County Elections Administrator

Applications for early voting by mail shall be delivered to the Early Voting Clerk, no later than April 17, 2022 (by 12:00 noon or close of business, whichever is later), at the following addresses:

Dallas County Elections Department
Attn: Michael J. Scarpello, Early Voting Clerk
1520 Round Table Drive  
Dallas, Texas 75247  

Rockwall County Elections Department  
Attn: Christopher Lynch, Early Voting Clerk  
915 Whitmore Drive, Suite D  
Rockwall, Texas

**SECTION 7:** The County Elections Administrators shall appoint an Election Judge and an Alternate Presiding Election Judge, to serve at the polling places during the election. The Presiding Judges and the Alternate Election Judges of the Early Voting Ballot Boards shall be selected by the respective Elections Administrators in accordance with an Election Agreement between the City of Rowlett and the Dallas County and Rockwall County Elections Departments.

**SECTION 8:** Voting equipment will be provided in accordance with the Election Agreements by and between the City of Rowlett and the respective County Elections Departments.

**SECTION 9:** The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish and post, in the time and manner prescribed by law, all notices required to be so published and posted in connection with the conduct of the election.

**SECTION 10:** The City Secretary shall present the election returns to the City Council for the canvassing of said election. The canvass of said election returns shall be conducted by the City Council on May 17, 2023, or on such date as may be provided for by law.

**SECTION 11:** Should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase contained in this ordinance be held to be unconstitutional, invalid or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance, but in all respects said remaining portions shall be and remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 12:** That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

At a meeting of the City Council on February 7, 2023, this Ordinance be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7  
Mayor Margolis, Mayor Pro Tem Winget, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Shinder, Councilmember Galuardi, Councilmember Grubisich, Councilmember Britton and Councilmember Bell

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Approved by [Signature]  
Mayor  
Date February 7, 2023

Approved to form by [Signature]  
City Attorney  
Date February 7, 2023

Certified by [Signature]  
City Secretary  
Date February 7, 2023
NOTICE/ORDER OF SPECIAL ELECTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES
AVISÓ/ORDEN DE ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL PARA MUNICIPIOS
THÔNG BÁO/LỆNH TỔ CHỨC BÁO CỨ BẤC BIỆT CHO CÁC THÀNH PHỐ

A special election is hereby ordered to be held on May 6, 2023 for the purpose: to consider propositions amending the City Charter.
Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección especial el 6 mayo 2023 con el propósito de: considerar las proposiciones de enmienda a la estatutos de la ciudad.
Một cuộc bầu cử đặc biệt theo ngày được yêu cầu tổ chức vào ngày 6 Tháng Năm, 2023 với mục đích: xem xét các dự luật sửa đổi Hiến Chương Thành phố.

PROPOSITION A

Shall Subsection (2) of Section 3.09 ("City Council Vacancies and Attendance") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended to include absences from special as well as regular meetings, as opposed to regular meetings exclusively, in determining whether a member of the Council has forfeited the office?

For ____________ Against ____________

PROPOSICIÓN A

¿Se debe modificar el inciso (2) del artículo 3.09 ("Vacantes y Asistencia del Ayuntamiento") de la Ley Orgánica de la Ciudad de Rowlett, a fin de incluir las inasistencias a las asambleas especiales y ordinarias, en lugar de referirse exclusivamente a las asambleas ordinarias, al determinar si un Concejal ha perdido su cargo?

A Favor _________ En Contra _________

DỰ LUẬT A

Tiêu mục (2) của Mục 3.09 ("City Council Vacancies and Attendance (Các Vị trí Trống và Tham gia Hội đồng Thành phố") của Hiến Chương Thành phố Rowlett sẽ được sửa đổi để bao gồm cả việc vắng mặt ở các cuộc họp đặc biệt cũng như là cuộc họp thường kỳ, trái lại so với riêng các cuộc họp thường kỳ, trong việc xác định liệu một thành viên Hội đồng có bị mất chức hay không?

vì _________ chống lại _________

PROPOSITION B

Shall Subsection (2) of Section 3.14 ("Meetings of City Council") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended to provide that special meetings of the Council may be called at the request of the City Manager, three members of the City Council, or the Mayor, as opposed to a majority of the members of the City Council?

For ____________ Against ____________

PROPOSICIÓN B

¿Se debe modificar el inciso (2) del artículo 3.14 ("Asambleas del Ayuntamiento") de la Ley Orgánica de la Ciudad de Rowlett, a fin de señalar que se puede convocar a asambleas especiales del Ayuntamiento a solicitud del Administrador municipal, tres Concejales o el Alcalde, en lugar de a solicitud del Alcalde o de una mayoría de Concejales?

A Favor _________ En Contra _________

DỰ LUẬT B

Tiêu mục (2) của Mục 3.09 ("Meetings of City Council (Các Cuộc họp của Hội đồng Thành phố") của Hiến Chương Thành phố Rowlett sẽ được sửa đổi để quy định rằng các cuộc họp đặc biệt của Hội đồng có thể được triệu tập theo yêu cầu của Quản lý Thành phố, ba thành viên của Hội đồng, hoặc của Thị trưởng, trái lại so với yêu cầu của Thị trưởng hoặc số đông của thành viên của Hội đồng hay không?

vì _________ chống lại _________
PROPOSITION C

Shall Subsection (7) of Section 2.03 ("Municipal Court") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that the Clerk of the Municipal Court shall be appointed by the City Manager with input from the Chief Judge, and that Deputy Clerks shall be appointed by the City Manager as appropriate?

For  ________  Against  ________

PROPOSICIÓN C

¿Se debe modificar el inciso (7) del artículo 2.03 ("Juzgado Municipal") de la Ley Orgánica de la Ciudad de Rowlett, a fin de que el Secretario del Juzgado municipal sea designado por el Administrador municipal con la recomendación del Juez principal, y para que la designación de los Subsecretarios esté a cargo del Administrador municipal?

A Favor  ________  En Contra  ________

DƯ LYẤT C

Tiểu mục (7) của Mục 2.03 ("Municipal Court (Tòa án Thành phố)") của Hiến Chương Thành phố Rowlett sẽ được sửa đổi để Lực sĩ Tòa án Thành phố sẽ do Quản lý Thành phố bổ nhiệm theo ý kiến của Chánh án và Phó Thư ký sẽ do Quản lý Thành phố bổ nhiệm nếu hợp lý không?

ví  ________  chằng lại  ________

PROPOSITION D

Shall Subsection (4) of Section 5.04 ("Municipal Judge") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that the removal of the Judges of the Municipal Court may be accomplished, according to State law, with or without cause, after a hearing and by a 2/3 majority vote of the full City Council?

For  ________  Against  ________

PROPOSICIÓN D

¿Se debe modificar el inciso (4) del artículo 5.04 ("Juez Municipal") de la Ley Orgánica de la Ciudad de Rowlett, a fin de que la destitución de los Jueces del Juzgado municipal, conforme a la legislación estatal, con o sin causa justificada, se lleve a cabo después de una audiencia y con la votación de 2/3 partes de los Concejales?

A Favor  ________  En Contra  ________

DƯ LYẤT D

Tiểu mục (4) của mục 5.04 ("Municipal Judge (Thẩm phán Thành phố)") của Hiến Chương Thành phố Rowlett sẽ được sửa đổi để có thể thực hiện việc bổ nhiệm các Thẩm phán của Tòa án Thành phố, theo luật pháp Tiểu bang, có hoặc không có lý do sau một phiên điều trần với 2/3 đa số phiếu bầu của toàn thể Hội đồng Thành phố?

ví  ________  chằng lại  ________

PROPOSITION E

Shall Subsection (2) of Section 12.03 ("Charter Review Commission") of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that, in appointing a Charter Review Commission, the City Council shall determine the minimum scope of the Commission's review of the Charter?

For  ________  Against  ________

PROPOSICIÓN E

¿Se debe modificar el inciso (2) del artículo 12.03 ("Comisión de Revisión de la Ley Orgánica") de la Ley Orgánica de la Ciudad de Rowlett, a fin de que, al designar una Comisión de Revisión de la Ley Orgánica, el Ayuntamiento determine el alcance mínimo de su revisión a dicha ley?

A Favor  ________  En Contra  ________
DỤ LUẬT E
Tiêu mục (2) của Mục 12.03 (“Charter Review Commission (Ủy ban Xem xét Hiến chương)”) của Hiến Chương Thành phố Rowlett được sửa đổi để khi chi định một Ủy ban Xem xét Điều lệ, Hội đồng Thành phố sẽ xác định phạm vi tới thời của Ủy ban Xem xét Hiến Chương?
vi chừng lại

PROPOSITION F
Shall Subsection (3) of Section 12.03 (“Charter Review Commission”) of the Rowlett City Charter be amended so that, appointment of a Charter Review Commission shall be no longer than 12 months?
For Against

PROPOSICIÓN F
¿Se debe modificar el inciso (3) del artículo 12.03 (“Comisión de Revisión de la Ley Orgánica”) de la Ley Orgánica de la Ciudad de Rowlett, a fin de que la designación de una Comisión de Revisión de la Ley Orgánica tenga una duración mayor a 12 meses?
A Favor En Contra

DỤ LUẬT F
Tiêu mục (3) của Mục 12.03 (“Charter Review Commission (Ủy ban Xem xét Hiến章程)”) của Hiến Chương Thành phố Rowlett sẽ được sửa đổi để việc bổ nhiệm Ủy ban Xem xét Hiến Chương sẽ không kéo dài quá 12 tháng?
vi chừng lại

Dates, Times and Locations of Polling Places for Early Voting by personal appearance
Fechas, horarios y ubicaciones de las casillas electorales de votación adelantada en persona
Ngày, Thời gian và Vị trí của các Điểm Bổ phiếu Sớm bằng cách đích thân đến

Dallas County:
City Hall Annex Conference Room, 4004 Main Street, Rowlett

Monday – Friday
lunes – viernes
Thứ Hai – Thứ Sáu
April 24 thru April 28, 2023
24 de abril – 28 de abril 2023
Ngày 24 đến 28 Tháng Tư, 2023
8 am – 5 pm

Saturday
sábado
Thứ Bảy
April 29, 2023
29 de abril 2023
Ngày 29 Tháng Tư, 2023
8 am – 5 pm

Sunday
domingo
Chủ Nhật
April 30, 2023
30 de abril 2023
Ngày 30 Tháng Tư, 2023
12 pm – 6 pm

Monday and Tuesday
lunes y martes
Thứ Hai và Thứ Ba
May 1 thru May 2, 2023
1 de mayo – 2 de mayo 2023
Ngày 1 đến 2 Tháng Năm, 2023
7 am – 7 pm

Rockwall County:
Rockwall County Library, 1215 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Rockwall

Monday – Friday
lunes – viernes
Thứ Hai – Thứ Sáu
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**Locations of Election Day Polling Places**

*Ubicaciones de las casillas electorales el Día de Elección*

*Vị trí của các Điểm bỏ phiếu trong Ngày Tổng Tuyên cử*

MAY 6 (SATURDAY) / 6 DE MAYO (SÁBADO) / NGÀY 6 THÁNG NĂM (THỨ BẢY)
TIMES OF VOTING / HORARIOS DE LAS VOTACIÓNES / THỜI Gian Bổ phiếu
7 AM TO 7 PM

**Dallas County:**
*Location(s) finalized with contract.*

**Rockwall County:**
*Location(s) finalized with contract.*

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán por correo deberán enviarse a:

*Các đơn xin lá phiếu bầu qua thư cần gửi tới:*

**Name of Early Voting Clerk**

*Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votación Adelantada*

*Tên của Thư Lãnh Phủ trách Bổ phiếu Sớm*

Michael Scarpello  
Dallas County Elections Administrator  
Address (Dirección) [Địa chỉ]  
1520 Round Table Drive  
915 Whitmore Drive, Suite D  
City (Ciudad) [Thành phố] Zip Code (Zona Postal) [Zip Code]  
Dallas, Texas 75247  
Rockwall, Texas 75087  
Telephone Number (Número de teléfono) [Số điện thoại]  
469-627-8683  
972-204-6200  
Email Address (Dirección de Correo Electrónico) [Địa chỉ Email]  
evapplications@dallascounty.org  
elections@rockwallcountytexas.com  
Early Voting Clerk’s Website (Sitio web del Secretario/a de Votación Adelantada)  
[Trang web của Thư Lãnh Phủ trách Bổ phiếu Sớm]  
www.dallascountyvotes.org  
www.rockwallvotes.com
Applications for Ballot by Mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 17, 2023.

(Las Solicitudes para boletas que se votaran por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 17 de abril de 2023)
[Các đơn xin Lập phiếu Bầu qua Thư phải được nhận không muốn hơn giờ đồng cửa ngày 17 Tháng Tư, 2023.]

Federal Post Card Applications must be received no later than the close of business on April 17, 2023.

(La Tarjeta Federal Postal de Solicitud deberan recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el 17 de abril de 2023)
[Pháp nhận được Đơn đăng ký Thư Bầu điện Liên bang không muốn hơn giờ đồng cửa ngày 17 Tháng Tư, 2023.]

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Blake Margolis
Mayor

Jeff Winget
Mayor Pro Tem

Brian Gatward
Councilmember

Mike Britton
Councilmember

Debra Shinder
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem

Matt Grubisich
Councilmember

Pamela Bell
Councilmember