

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS

RESOLUTION NO. R-08-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS, POSTPONING THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF MAY, 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MEMBER OF THE GLENN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL FOR PLACE 4; RESCHEDULING THAT ELECTION TO THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 UNIFORM ELECTION DATE; RESERVING THE RIGHT AND AUTHORITY TO RESCHEDULE THIS ELECTION TO SUCH OTHER DATE AS MAY BE ALLOWED BY LAW AND APPROVED BY SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTION; DESIGNATING POLLING PLACES; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF JOINT ELECTION CONTRACT FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Special laws and Constitution of the State of Texas and the Charter of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, and pursuant to Resolution No. R-05-20 issued February 11, 2020, a special election was ordered to held on May 2, 2020, for the purpose of electing a member to the Glenn Heights City Council for Place 4; and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, on March 18, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas signed a proclamation suspending certain provisions of the Texas Election Code to allow all local political subdivisions that are utilizing the May 2, 2020 uniform election date to postpone their elections to the November 3, 2020, uniform election date; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that given the current state of local disaster and public health emergency making it difficult if not impossible for the City to prepare for and for the citizens to participate in voting, including early voting, for the May 2, 2020 election, the Special Election ordered for May 2, 2020, for the purpose of electing City Council Place 4 should be postponed to and rescheduled to the uniform election date of November 3, 2020;

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

SECTION 1: That the special election previously ordered for May 2, 2020, for the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, for the purpose of electing a member of the City Council to the offices of Place 4 is hereby postponed and rescheduled to November 3, 2020, provided, however, that the City reserves the right and authority to hereafter reschedule this election to such other date as may be allowed by law, including but not limited to any subsequent Executive Order issued by the Governor, and approved by Subsequent Resolution.

SECTION 2: That the candidate filings for the special election for May 2, 2020, for the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, for the purpose of electing a member of the City Council for Place 4 shall remain valid for the election to be held on November 3, 2020, and that the filing period for candidates will not be re-opened for the election to be held on November 3, 2020.

SECTION 3: That all annual applications ballot by mail (ABBM) for voters that are voting by mail due to being over the age of 65 or due to disability will still be valid for the November 3, 2020, election; and that ABBMs for voters who submitted ABBMs based on expected absence from the county shall not be valid for the postponed November 3, 2020 election.

SECTION 4: That the voter registration deadline for the November 3, 2020, election is October 5, 2020, the deadline to submit an ABBM is October 23, 2020, and the dates for early voting are October 19, 2020, through October 30, 2020.

SECTION 5. That the City Manager is authorized to negotiate and execute an election contract with Dallas County and/or Ellis County for the purposes of conducting the postponed election on November 3, 2020.

SECTION 6. That should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this Resolution be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said Resolution, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage as the law and charter in such cases provide.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS, THIS THE 7th DAY OF APRIL, 2020.

ATTEST:




Brandi Brown, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Harry A. Garrett, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Victoria W. Thomas, City Attorney