RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BURLESON, TEXAS POSTPONING THE GENERAL ELECTION CALLED FOR MAY 2, 2020, FOR THE OFFICES OF MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBER PLACE 2, PLACE 4 AND PLACE 6 UNTIL NOVEMBER 3, 2020; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE POSTPONED ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Burleson 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, Section 41.001 of the Texas Election Code (the “Code”) specifies that the first Saturday in May shall be a “uniform election date” and that a general election of a city may be held on such day; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2020 the City Council called a general election for the offices of Mayor, Councilmember Place 2, Place 4 and Place 6 to be held on May 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 Governor Greg Abbott issued a proclamation authorizing political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020 to move their general elections for 2020 to November 3, 2020 due to public health and safety concerns related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires postpone the May 2, 2020 general election to November 3, 2020 in order to protect the health and safety of the citizens of the City of Burleson.

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

SECTION 1.

GENERAL ELECTION POSTPONED: The general election in the City of Burleson, Texas, called for Saturday, May 2, 2020 for the purposes of electing the offices of Mayor, Councilmember Place 2, Place 4 and Place 6 is hereby postponed until November 3, 2020.

SECTION 2.

FILING DEADLINES FOR MAY 2, 2020 ELECTION: By postponing the election date, the City is preserving all candidate filings and ballot order actions that have already taken place. This postponement does not have the effect of reopening candidate filings.
SECTION 3.

APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOTS BY MAIL FOR THE MAY 2, 2020 ELECTIONS:

(a) All applications for ballots by mail that were filed for the May 2, 2020 Election that are marked annual remain valid for the November 3, 2020 election.

(b) All single use applications for ballots by mail that were submitted for the May 2, 2020 Election for reasons of age or disability remain valid for the November 3, 2020 election.

(c) Single use applications for ballots by mail submitted for the May 2, 2020 Election that indicated the reason for voting by mail was due to absence from the county will not remain valid for the November 3, 2020 election.

SECTION 4.

APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOTS BY MAIL FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION:
Applications for early voting by mail may be delivered to the Early Voting Clerk at 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, Texas, Fax: 817-426-9374, email: elections@burlesontx.com to be received not later than the close of business on October 23, 2020.

SECTION 5.

EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE: Early Voting by personal appearance shall be conducted beginning on October 19, 2020, and continuing through October 30, 2020. The exact times and locations for early voting will be reflected in a future revision to the original election order.

SECTION 6.

DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE: Any individual seeking to vote in the November 3, 2020 election must register to vote by October 5, 2020.

SECTION 7.

ELECTION DAY: Voting shall be conducted between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, at the Burleson Senior Activity Center, Multipurpose Room A, 216 SW Johnson Avenue, Burleson, Texas 76028.

SECTION 8.

GOVERNING LAW AND QUALIFIED VOTERS: The elections shall be held in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Texas and the Code, and all resident qualified voters of the City shall be eligible to vote at the election.
SECTION 9.

PUBLICATION AND POSTING OF NOTICE OF POSTPONED ELECTION: Notice of the postponement of the election until November 3, 2020 shall be posted on the City's website, provided to local media organizations.

SECTION 10.

NECESSARY ACTIONS: The Mayor and the City Secretary, in consultation with the City Attorney, are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code in carrying out and conducting the election, whether or not expressly authorized herein.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Burleson, Texas, on the 30th DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

Ken Shetter, Mayor
City of Burleson, Texas

ATTEST:
Amanda Campos, City Secretary

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