

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF LAGUNA VISTA, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY 2023, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND THREE (3) COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR PLACES 1, 2 AND 3, FOR THREE-YEAR TERMS EACH; PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS; DESIGNATING THE PLACE AND MANNER OF HOLDING SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION AND THE CONDUCT THEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 41.001 of the Texas Election Code, as amended ("Code") establishes the first Saturday in May as a "uniform election date" for the purposes of conducting general and special elections; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Laguna Vista, Texas ("Council") is the governing body authorized to order a general election pursuant to Chapter 3 of the Texas Election Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Charter provides that the Town shall conduct a general election to elect a mayor and three (3) Council Members for Places 1, 2 and 3 every three years;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LAGUNA VISTA, TEXAS, THAT:**

**Section 1.** In accordance with the general laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, a general election is hereby called and ordered for Saturday, May 6, 2023, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three (3) Council Members for Places 1, 2 and 3, for terms of three years or until their successors qualify.

**Section 2.** The election shall be held in accordance with and shall be governed by, the election laws of the State of Texas. The Town shall contract with the Cameron County Elections Department to perform all duties with respect to early voting, election day voting, and preparing the official ballots. Pursuant to Chapter 271 of the Texas Election Code, the Council authorizes the City Manager to enter and execute an election services agreement with the Cameron County Elections Department for this election. The Mayor, City Manager, and City Secretary are hereby authorized to perform all duties and take all actions as required by the election services contract and/or joint election agreement.

**Section 3.** In accordance with Texas Election Code Sec. 31.097, the Cameron County Elections Administrator is hereby appointed to serve as the Early Voting Clerk and the Elections Administrator's permanent employees are appointed as deputy early voting clerks along with such other deputy clerks as the Elections Administrator may designate.

**Section 4.** Pursuant to the contract with the Cameron County Elections Administration, the County Election Officer will be responsible for appointing the election judge, any alternate election judge, any clerk(s) or other election worker(s), and for paying the costs of election judges and clerks.

**Section 5.** Applications for ballot by mail shall be submitted to the Cameron County Elections Department, P.O. Box 3587, Brownsville, Texas 78523. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

**Section 6.** The Town hereby designates one (1) early voting polling place location for early voting by personal appearance at 122 Fernandez Street, City Hall Building. Early Voting shall begin on April 24, 2023, through and including May 2, 2023. The Early Voting location shall be as designated in the Cameron County Elections Administration contract with the Town and shall remain open for at least nine (9) hours on each day for Early Voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official state or federal holiday, between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. (9:00 a.m.) and seven o'clock p.m. (7:00 p.m.). Additional early voting hours shall be Saturday, April 29, 2023, from ten o'clock a.m. (10:00 a.m.) to five o'clock p.m. (5:00 p.m.), and Monday, May 1, 2023, and Tuesday May 2, 2023, from eight o'clock a.m. (8:00 a.m.) and eight o'clock p.m. (8:00 p.m.).

**Section 7.** The Cameron County Elections Administrator, as Early Voting Clerk, may order early voting by personal appearance at the main early voting polling place to be conducted on one or more Saturdays or Sundays during the early voting period. If the Early Voting Clerk orders extended weekday or weekend early voting, the Town may amend this order and notice of election to reflect the extended voting hours.

**Section 8.** The Town hereby designates one (1) election day polling place location for the voters of Laguna Vista at 122 Fernandez Street, City Hall Building, Board Room. Polls shall be open from seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. until seven o'clock (7:00) p.m., on Saturday, May 6, 2023.

**Section 9.** Should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase contained in this Resolution be held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution, but in all respects said remaining portions shall be and remain in full force and effect.

**Section 10.** This Resolution shall take effective immediately from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Laguna Vista Town Council this the 15th day of February 2023.

  
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Michael Carter, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Crystal Chapa, City Secretary