

RESOLUTION NO. R076.20.03.26.F1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CEDAR PARK, TEXAS, ORDERING THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE CITY OF CEDAR PARK, TEXAS GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 2, 2020 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THE MAYOR, COUNCIL PLACE TWO, COUNCIL PLACE FOUR, AND COUNCIL PLACE SIX TO THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 UNIFORM ELECTION DATE; MAKING PROVISIONS FOR CANDIDATE FILINGS AND APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOT BY MAIL FOR THE POSTPONED ELECTION; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO SUCH POSTPONED ELECTION; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED WAS NOTICED AND IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2020 the City Council of the City of Cedar Park (“City”) ordered a general election be held in the City on May 2, 2020 for the purpose of electing the Mayor, Council Place Two, Council Place Four, and Council Place Six in Resolution Number R046.20.01.23.F1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation suspending certain provisions of the Texas Election Code and the Texas Water Code to allow all local political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020 to move their elections to the next uniform election date, occurring on November 3, 2020 (“Proclamation”); and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Texas, the County Judges of Travis and Williamson Counties, and the Mayor of the City of Cedar Park issued disaster declarations at the federal, state, county, and municipal level regarding the imminent threat to public health posed by the novel coronavirus disease (“COVID-19”) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Governor’s Proclamation and all applicable disaster declarations, the City Council of the City of Cedar Park desires to postpone the City’s May 2, 2020 general election to the November 3, 2020 uniform election date in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CEDAR PARK, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the general election previously ordered to be held May 2, 2020 for the purpose of electing the Mayor, Council Place Two, Council Place Four and Council Place Six is hereby postponed to the November 3, 2020 uniform election date.

SECTION 2. That the candidate filings for the May 2, 2020 election 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 for ballot by mail (ABBM) for voters that are voting by mail due to being over the age of 65 or due to disability shall be valid for the November 3, 2020 election, and that ABBMs for voters who submitted applications based upon expected absence from the county shall not be valid for the 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 Williamson County and Travis County Election Departments for the purposes of conducting the postponed election on November 3, 2020.

SECTION 6. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 26th day of March, 2020.

CITY OF CEDAR PARK, TEXAS


Corbin Van Arsdale, Mayor

ATTEST:



LeAnn M. Quinn, TRMC
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND CONTENT:



J.P. LeCompte, City Attorney

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