

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-005**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS, ORDERING THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING TWO (2) COUNCIL MEMBERS, (PLACES 2 AND 3), TO THE FATE CITY COUNCIL TO HOLD OFFICE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS; DESIGNATING THE POLLING PLACE; DESIGNATING FILING DEADLINES; PROVIDING FOR A RUNOFF ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 41.001 of the Texas Election Code, as amended (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**, the City Council of the City of Fate, Texas (hereinafter referred to as the "City"), has determined that the City shall conduct general municipal elections on the first Saturday in May.

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

**SECTION 1: ELECTION ORDERED.**

- a. An Election is hereby ordered to be held on May 2, 2020, for the purpose of electing two (2) City Council Members, Places 2 and 3, to hold office for a period of three years or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
- b. Said election shall be held by the Rockwall County Elections Administrator pursuant to a Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Elections Services, with respect to such General Election as approved by the City Council of the City of Fate, Texas and the Rockwall County Elections Administrator.

**SECTION 2: ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACE AND ELECTION HOURS.**

The Election Day polling place where qualified voters shall cast ballots at such location in the City of Fate, 2020 General Municipal Election are as follows:

**Fate City Hall  
1900 CD Boren Parkway  
Fate, Texas 75087**

Election polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the date of the election.

**SECTION 3: EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE.**

Early voting by personal appearance begins on Monday, April 20, 2020 and ends on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 during the hours listed below:

Monday, April 20, 2020 – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 21, 2020 – 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 23, 2020 – 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 24, 2020 – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 25, 2020 – 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Monday, April 27, 2020 – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 28, 2020 – 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance shall be held at Fate City Hall, 1900 CD Boren Parkway, Fate, Texas. Qualified voters of the City may vote at any of the additional early voting locations open under full contract services with the Rockwall County Elections Administration.

**SECTION 4: EARLY VOTING BY MAIL.**

The Rockwall County Elections Administrator is hereby appointed as Early Voting Clerk. Applications for a ballot by mail shall be delivered to the early voting clerk, Christopher Lynch, Rockwall County Elections Administrator, 915 Whitmore Drive, Suite D, Rockwall, Texas 75087. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Monday, April 20, 2020.

**SECTION 5: FILING FOR A PLACE ON THE BALLOT.**

Qualified persons must file for a specific place on the ballot and adhere to the filing deadlines accordingly. Candidate Packets are available in the City Secretary's Office. The Candidate filing periods for the General Election for City Council Member Places 2 and 3 begins on January 15, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. and ends February 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Candidates must file in the City Secretary's Office located at 1900 CD Boren Parkway, Fate, Texas.

**SECTION 6: ELECTION OFFICERS.**

The election officers for each polling place shall be appointed and compensated pursuant to the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with the Rockwall County Elections Administrator for said election on May 2, 2020.

**SECTION 7: METHOD OF VOTING.**

Voting on the date of the Election and early voting shall be by the use of a lawfully approved voting system. The preparation of the voting equipment to be used in connection with such voting system and the official ballots for the Election shall conform to the Texas Election Code ("Code"), as amended. Said ballots shall have printed therein such provisions, markings, and language as may be required by law. The specific voting machines to be used shall be provided by Rockwall County in accordance with the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Elections Services with the Rockwall County Elections Administrator.

**SECTION 8: RUNOFF.**

In the event that in the general election herein ordered for any office, no candidate receives a majority of all the votes cast for such office, a runoff election shall be required in accordance with the Texas Election Code, including Chapter 2 thereof.

**SECTION 9: NOTICE OF ELECTION**

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

**SECTION 10: GOVERNING LAW**

The election shall be held as set forth by the Charter and the Texas Election Code, and all resident registered voters of the City shall be eligible to vote in said Election. The Mayor and the City Secretary of the City, 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 Texas Election Code and any other state or federal law in carrying out and conducting the election, whether or not expressly authorized herein.

**SECTION 11. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FATE, TEXAS on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2020.**

**ATTEST:**

*Victoria Raduechel*  
Victoria Raduechel, TRMG  
City Secretary



**APPROVED:**

*Joe Burger*  
Joe Burger, Mayor