

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2026-01-20-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND, TEXAS ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF MAY, 2026 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS POSITION 3, POSITION 4, POSITION 5, AND POSITION 6; AUTHORIZING CONDUCTING SAID ELECTION JOINTLY WITH OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS IN LIBERTY COUNTY AND IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF ELECTION; ESTABLISHING OTHER PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND, TEXAS:

Section 1. Order of Election. It is hereby ordered that a General Election be held in the City of Cleveland, Texas (“City”) on the first Saturday in May, the 2nd day of May 2026, at which election the qualified voters of the City will elect the following public officials:

- a. Council Position 3
- b. Council Position 4
- c. Council Position 5
- d. Council Position 6

Section 2. Joint Election – Liberty County. That the election be held jointly between the City of Cleveland, Liberty County, Texas by its County Election(s) Officer, hereinafter sometimes called “Liberty County Contracting Officer” or “Liberty County Clerk” and other contracting political subdivisions. The election shall be conducted by the County Elections Officer as stated per the terms of the 2026 Election Services Contract with the County Elections Officer state of Texas, County of Liberty, which agreement was duly approved by the City acting through its City Council at a meeting held on or about January 20, 2026.

All election equipment, election supplies, and election services used to coordinate, supervise, and administer the Liberty County Joint Election shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and the agreement(s) referenced above. Each polling location for both early voting and election day voting shall be accessible to disabled voters. The Liberty County Contracting Officer shall prepare the voting system for polling locations during Early Voting and on Election Day. Election materials as outlined in the Texas Election Code, shall be printed in both English and Spanish for use at the polling place and for Early Voting and Election Day for said election.

The voting system used shall be as set forth in the City’s Election Services Contract with the Liberty County Contracting Officer referenced above. It is currently anticipated that the Verity Voting system will be used, including Verity Print, Verity Touch and Verity Touch Writer with Verity Access interface using the Verity Scan; and the mail ballot system from Hart InterCivic.

Section 3. Polling Information - Liberty County. Polls in Liberty County, Texas, shall be open for voting on Election Day, May 2, 2026, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the following polling places. The Liberty County Contracting Officer shall have the authority to add and/or remove polling locations as deemed appropriate.

- Pct. 1 Rye/Romayor (consolidated with Precinct 2)
- Pct. 2 Moss Hill United Pentecostal Church, 127 Hwy. 105 E, Liberty, Texas
- Pct. 3 Hardin City Hall, 142 C.R. 2010, Hardin, Texas (Curbside voting available)
- Pct. 4 Devers Elementary School, 201 Chism St., Devers, Texas
- Pct. 6 Calvary Baptist Church, 15 C. R. 129, Liberty, Texas
- Pct. 7 The Sanctuary Pentecostal Church, 100 E. Hanson St., Cleveland, Texas
- Pct. 8 Dolen Baptist Church Gym, 10078 F.M. 787, Cleveland, Texas
- Pct. 9 Hi-Way Tabernacle, 108 C.R. 2250, Cleveland, Texas
- Pct. 10 St. Anne's Catholic Church Hall, C.R. 622 & F.M. 686, Eastgate (Dayton), Texas
- Pct. 11 Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 3730 F.M. 160, Raywood, Texas
- Pct. 13 Hull-Daisetta High School, 117 N. Main St., Daisetta, Texas
- Pct. 18 Mother of Mercy Catholic Church, 101 Donatto Drive, Liberty, Texas
- Pct. 19 Jack Hartel Admin. Building, 318 San Jacinto St., Liberty, Texas (Curbside voting available)
- Pct. 20 Cleveland Civic Center, 210 Peach Ave., Cleveland, Texas (Curbside voting available)
- Pct. 21 Kenefick Southern Baptist Church, 3536 F.M. 1008, Kenefick, Texas
- Pct. 22 Dayton Community Center, 801 S. Cleveland St., Dayton, Texas (Curbside voting available)
- Pct. 23 Sante Fe Administration Building, 1680 C.R. 3549, Cleveland, Texas
- Pct. 24 Pathways Church, 9160 F.M. 1409, Dayton, Texas
- Pct. 25 Tarkington Prairie Baptist Church, 25 C.R. 306, Cleveland, Texas
- Pct. 26 Cleveland (consolidated with Precinct 7)
- Pct. 30 Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 803 S. Colbert St., Dayton, Texas
- Pct. 31 Plum Grove City Hall, 155 C.R. 345, Plum Grove, Texas

Curbside voting is available at the locations designated by calling 936-253-8050.

Limited voting is available only at Jack Hartel Administration Building, 318 San Jacinto St., Liberty,

Section 4. Early Voting Information - Liberty County. The Liberty County Clerk shall act as Contracting Officer and Early Voting Clerk. The location for Early Voting for such election is hereby designated as:

EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES:

Cleveland Civic Center, 210 Peach Avenue, Cleveland, Texas;
The Sanctuary Pentecostal Church, 100 E. Hanson St., Cleveland, Texas;
Hardin City Hall, 142 C.R. 2010, Hardin, Texas;
Dayton Community Center, 801 S. Cleveland St., Dayton, Texas; and
Jack Hartel Community Building, 318 San Jacinto St., Liberty, Texas;

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted on the dates and times set forth below:

- Monday through Friday, April 20th – April 24th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 25th - 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, April 26th – 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Monday through Tuesday, April 27th – April 28th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Liberty County Election Administrator's address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent is:

Liberty County Clerk
Liberty County Courthouse
1923 Sam Houston Street
P.O. Box 369
Liberty, Texas 77575

All requests for early voting ballots by mail that are received by the City of Cleveland will be transported to the Liberty County County Clerk, Liberty County Courthouse, 1923 Sam Houston, Liberty, Texas 77575.

Election officials for the City's Early Voting and Election Day Polling Locations shall be designated by the Liberty County Contracting Officer, in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Section 5. Joint Election: Montgomery County. That the election be held jointly between the City of Cleveland, Montgomery County, Texas by its County Election Officer, hereinafter sometimes called "Montgomery County Contracting Officer" or "Montgomery County Election Officer" and other contracting political subdivisions. The election shall be conducted by the Montgomery County Elections Officer stated per the terms of the 2026 Elections Services Agreement with Montgomery County which agreement was duly approved by the City acting through its City Council at a meeting held on or about January 20, 2026. The election shall also be conducted by the Montgomery County Contracting Officer along with other political subdivisions within Montgomery County in accordance with a 2026 Joint Election Agreement with Montgomery County which agreement was duly approved by the City acting through its City Council at a meeting held on or about January 20, 2026.

All election equipment, election supplies, and election services used to coordinate, supervise, and administer the Montgomery County Joint Election shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and the agreements referenced above. Each polling location for both early voting and election day voting shall be accessible to disabled voters. The Montgomery County Contracting Officer shall prepare the voting system for polling locations during Early Voting and on Election Day. Election materials as outlined in the Texas Election Code, shall be printed in both English and Spanish for use at the polling place and for Early Voting and Election Day for said election.

The voting system used shall be as set forth in the agreements referenced above in this section.

Section 6. Polling Information – Montgomery County. Polls in Montgomery County, Texas, shall be open for voting on Election Day, May 2, 2026, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the polling places identified in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof. The Montgomery County Contracting Officer shall have the authority to add and/or remove polling locations as deemed appropriate.

Section 7. Early Voting Information – Montgomery County. The Montgomery County Contracting Officer shall act as Contracting Officer and Early Voting Clerk for the City. The location for Early Voting for such election is hereby designated as:

EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES:

Central Library
[Main Early Voting Polling Place]
104 I-45 North
Conroe, Texas 77301

North Montgomery County Community Center
600 Gerald Street
Willis, Texas 77378

Lone Star Community College
2500 Lone Star Parkway
Montgomery, Texas 77356

West Montgomery County Comm. Dev. Ctr.
1355 Friendship Drive
Magnolia, Texas 77355

Magnolia Event Center
11659 FM 1488
Magnolia, Texas 77354

Shenandoah Municipal Complex
29955 I-45 North
Shenandoah, TX 77381

Spring Creek Greenway Nature Center
1300 Riley Fuzzel Road
Spring, Texas 77386

East Montgomery County Fair Association Building
21675A McCleskey Road
New Caney, Texas 77357

East Montgomery County Community Development Center
16401 First Street, Suite 100
Splendora, TX 77372

[Special Forms of Early Voting and Ballot by Mail only]:
Election Central
9159 Airport Road
Conroe, TX 77303

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted on the dates and times set forth below:

- Monday through Saturday, April 20th – April 25th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Monday through Tuesday, April 27th – April 28th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Montgomery County Contracting Officer's address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent is:

Suzie Harvey, Elections Administrator
9159 Airport Road
P.O. Box 2646
Conroe, Texas 77305-2646
election.ballot@mctx.org *
Fax: 936-788-8340*

*If an Application for Ballot By Mail is submitted by email or fax or if a Federal Post Card Application is submitted by fax, to be effective, the original application must also be physically submitted and be received not later than the fourth business day after it is received by email or fax.

All requests for early voting ballots by mail that are received by the City of Cleveland will be transported to the Montgomery County Contracting Officer, on the day of receipt. Original applications that are received by mail and forwarded by email or fax will also be mailed to the Montgomery County Contracting Officer at the above address.

Election officials for the City's Early Voting and Election Day Polling Locations shall be designated by the Montgomery County Contracting Officer, in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Section 8. Publication of Notice. Notice of this election shall be published in the official newspaper of the City not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day, and shall be posted in the place used to post notice of City of Cleveland's City Council Meetings not later than the 21st day before election day, in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Section 9. Authorization to Comply. Said election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended. The Mayor and/or the City's Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to make any filings required by the Federal Voting Rights Act. The Mayor and/or the City's Attorney are further authorized and directed to take any action necessary to comply with provisions of the Texas Election Code, the Federal Voting Rights Act and the terms and provisions of the 2026 Election Services Contract with the County Elections Officer State of Texas, County of Liberty; the 2026 Elections Services Agreement with Montgomery County; and the 2026 Joint Election Agreement with Montgomery County.

Section 10. Severability. That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this order should for any reason be held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions of this order, and to such end the various portions and provisions of this order are declared to be severable; and the City Council of the City of Cleveland, Texas, declares it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, or whether there be one or more parts.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Order shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Cleveland, this the 20th day of January 2026.



Danny Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:



Juanita Limon, City Secretary

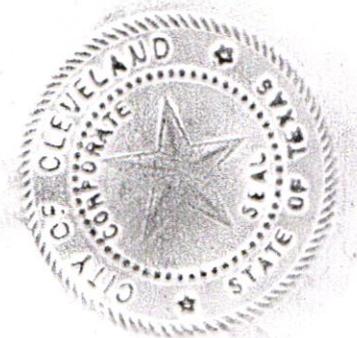


EXHIBIT A

Montgomery County Elections
Exhibit A
May 2, 2026 Joint Election
Early Voting Polling Locations and Times

April 20 – 25	Monday	–	Saturday	8:00 am	–	5:00 pm
April 27 – 28	Monday	–	Tuesday	7:00 am	–	7:00 pm

Polling Location <i>Sitio de Votación</i>	Address <i>Dirección</i>	Room <i>Sala</i>
Central Library (Main Early Voting Polling Place) (<i>Sitio Principal Electoral de Votación Adelantada</i>)	104 I-45 North Conroe 77301	Large Meeting Room <i>Sala grande de juntas</i>
North Montgomery County Community Center	600 Gerald Street Willis 77378	Community Room 102 and 103 <i>Sala comunitaria 102 y 103</i>
Lone Star Community Center	2500 Lone Star Parkway Montgomery 77356	Community Room 103 and 104 <i>Sala comunitaria 103 y 104</i>
West Montgomery County Community Development Center	31355 Friendship Drive Magnolia 77355	Green Room <i>Sala verde</i>
Magnolia Event Center Annex	11731 FM 1488 Magnolia 77354	Main Room <i>Sala principal</i>
Kevin Brady Community Center	2250 Buckthorne Place Spring 77380	Julie Ambler Meeting Room 114 A and B <i>Sala de juntas Julie Ambler 114 A y B</i>
Spring Creek Greenway Nature Center	1300 Riley Fuzzel Road Spring 77386	Community Center <i>Centro comunitario</i>
East Montgomery County Fair Association Building	21675A McCleskey Road New Caney 77357	Main Room <i>Sala principal</i>
East Montgomery County Community Development Center	16401 First Street, Suite 100 Splendora 77372	Hayden and Dunn Conference Rooms <i>Salas de conferencia Hayden y Dunn</i>
(Special Forms of Early Voting and Ballot by Mail only:) (<i>Formas Especiales de Votación Adelantada y Boleta por Correo solamente:</i>) Election Central	9159 Airport Road Conroe 77303	Lobby <i>Vestíbulo</i>