

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF
CITY OF LOCKNEY, TEXAS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LOCKNEY, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 3rd DAY OF MAY, 2025, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE (3) COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR TWO-YEAR TERMS EACH; PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OFFICERS; DESIGNATING THE PLACES 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 City Council of the City of Lockney, Texas ("City Council") is the governing body authorized to order a general election pursuant to Chapter 41 of the Code, and Chapter 22 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the City shall conduct a general election to elect three (3) full term Council Members to be elected by at large voting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOCKNEY, 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 the first Saturday in May 2025, the same being the 3rd day of the month ("Election Day"), to be held between the hours of seven o'clock a.m. (7:00 a.m.) and seven o'clock p.m. (7:00 p.m.).

Section 2: The purpose of the general election ordered by this Resolution is so that registered voters residing in the City of Lockney may vote to elect three (3) Council Members by at large voting.

Section 3: The order in which the names of the Council Member candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing by the City Secretary as provided in Section 52.094 of the Texas Election Code.

Section 4: The Council Members shall each be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the registered voters who reside in the City. Each Council Member shall be qualified for office as specified by the Code, by Chapter 22 of the Texas Local Government Code, and by other applicable law. Each Council Member elected shall hold office for a term of two years.

Section 5: The City Council hereby designates the following Election Day polling location for at large voting to elect three (3) Council Members, which shall be the City of Lockney Dove Room, 305 N. Main Street, Lockney Texas 79241. The polls shall be open on Election Day at the polling place from seven o'clock a.m. (7:00 a.m.) to seven o'clock p.m. (7:00 p.m.).

Section 6: Section 61.012 of the Code requires that the City must provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in a Texas election on or after January 1, 2006. The City shall use, in Early Voting and Election Day Voting, at least one voter assist terminal as approved by the Secretary of State and shall contract with the Floyd County Clerk for the use of voter assist equipment that Floyd County uses for its elections, as same may be necessary.

Section 7: The preparation of the voting system to be used in connection with the general election ordered herein shall conform to the Code so as to permit the registered voters residing in the City of Lockney to vote at large for three (3) Council Members. Ballots shall have printed thereon such provisions, markings, and language as may be required by law. The City shall contract with the Floyd County Clerk ("County Elections Officer") for the use of voting equipment and for preparation of ballots for the election ordered by this Resolution, as same may be necessary.

Section 8: The City shall contract with the Floyd County Clerk to perform all duties normally performed by the County Clerk in general elections with respect to early voting, Election Day voting, and preparing the official ballots.

Section 9: The City Secretary is hereby authorized and instructed to provide and furnish all necessary election notices, preparation of ballot wording and candidate order to the Floyd County Elections Officer, and any necessary submission to the U.S. Department of Justice under Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Section 10: The City shall contract with the County Elections Officer to coordinate, supervise and handle all aspects of administering the election ordered by this Resolution. Early voting shall be conducted in accordance with the Code.

Section 11: Early Voting shall begin on April 22, 2025 and extend through April 29, 2025. The Early Voting location shall be at City of Lockney Dove Room, 305 N. Main Street, Lockney, Texas 79241 and shall remain open on each day for Early Voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official state or federal holiday, between the hours of eight o'clock a.m. (8:00 a.m.) and five-thirty o'clock p.m. (5:30 p.m.).

Section 12: The Mayor and two council members are authorized to sign the Order of General Election for Municipalities pursuant to this Resolution and the City Clerk shall immediately submit the signed Order to the County Elections Officer.

Section 13: All voting, including early voting by personal appearance and by mailed ballots, shall be accomplished using paper ballots and/or electronic voting as provided in the election services contract with the County Elections Officer. The City hereby appoints the County Elections

Officer as the custodian of voted ballots.

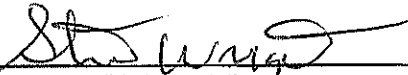
Section 14: The election ordered by this Resolution shall be held in accordance with the Code, and election services contract between the City and County Elections Officer. The City shall give notice of the election in accordance with the provisions of the Code, and all necessary orders and writs for the election shall be issued by the proper authority. The City Manager or Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the election services contract between the City and County Elections Officer, and to execute such other documents related to the election ordered by this Resolution, as may be necessary to the proper conduct thereof.

Section 15: 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 16: This Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Lockney, Texas on the 21st day of January, 2025.

CITY OF LOCKNEY, TEXAS

By: 
Steve Wright, Mayor

Attest:

By: 
Kaycee Thiebaud, City Secretary