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TITLE: Consider/Discuss/Act on an Ordinance Calling for a Special Election to Held January 15, 2022, for the Purpose of Filling the Vacancy of City Council Member At-Large #2

COUNCIL GOAL: Operational Excellence

MEETING DATE: November 2, 2021

DEPARTMENT: City Secretary

CONTACT: Empress Drane, City Secretary

RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION: Approve Ordinance calling for a Special Election, as required by state law.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- A Special Election to Fill the Vacancy of City Council Member At-Large #2 will be Saturday, January 15, 2022, with additional days provided for Early Voting.
- Qualified candidates for the election must meet the same eligibility requirements as normal election candidates. Applications may be submitted to the City Secretary Office beginning November 3 until November 12, 2021 (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday).
- A drawing for the order of names to appear on the ballot will be conducted publicly on Monday, October 15, 2021, 9:00 a.m. at City Hall Council Chambers, 222 N. Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas 75069.
- The notice of this election will be posted on the City Hall bulletin board, posted online on the city Elections webpage, and published in the McKinney Courier Gazette / Celina Record newspapers in accordance with Texas Election Code requirements.
- The election results will be canvassed between January 18-26, 2021, in accordance with Texas Election Code requirements.

- This Ordinance provides for the following:
 - Appointment of an Early Election Voting Clerk: Bruce Sherbet, Collin County Elections Administrator
 - Early Voting and Election Day Locations

Collin County Elections Office (Main Voting Location)	2010 Redbud Blvd., #102
John & Judy Gay Library Meeting Room	6861 W Eldorado Parkway
McKinney Fire Station #5 Community Room	6600 Virginia Parkway
McKinney Fire Station #9 Community Room	4900 Summit View Drive
Old Settler's Recreation Center North Lounge	1201 E Louisiana Street

- Early Voting and Election Day Schedule

Wednesday, December 29 to Thursday, December 30 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Friday, December 31 to Sunday, January 2 no voting
 Monday, January 3 to Saturday, January 8 . . 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Sunday, January 9 no voting
 Monday, January 10 to Tuesday, January 11 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, January 12 to Friday, January 14 no voting

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- On October 15, 2021, Council member Frederick Frazier, who was serving a four-year term as Council member At-Large #2, announced his candidacy for another elective office, thereby automatically resigning his office by operation of law with more than twelve (12) months remaining in his term (Texas Constitution Art. 11, Sec. 11(c); Art. 16, Sec. 65(b))
- The City Council must call an election that will be held within one hundred (120) days of the vacancy occurrence.
- Council Member Frazier will continue the duties of office until a new member is confirmed.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- The city's cost for this election will be approximately \$187,000 including a contract with the Collin County Elections Administration; translation services; publication

and distribution of voter information, advertisements, and legal notices.

- \$70,000 were allotted for election expenses in the FY22 budget; Operational Contingency funding will cover the remaining balance.

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: N/A

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

[Ordinance - ENGLISH](#)

[Ordenanza - ESPAÑOL](#)