

AN ORDINANCE 2014 - 07 - 22 - 0518

ORDERING A SPECIAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014; AND ALSO SETTING FORTH ELECTION PROCEDURES.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. ELECTION ORDERED. The San Antonio City Council orders a Special Election be held on Tuesday, the 4th of November, 2014, in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Texas, including but not limited to the Texas Election Code, and the provisions of the Charter of the City of San Antonio, for the purpose of electing the City's Mayor and Council. There shall be one office designated on the ballot as follows:

Member of Council, Place 2

SECTION 2. JOINT ELECTION. The City Council also authorizes the November 4, 2014 Special City Election to be held jointly with other participating local political subdivisions located within Bexar County. The city shall execute an agreement with Bexar County to conduct the Election as a joint election with the other political subdivisions identified in the agreement, at a future meeting.

Pursuant to the Texas Election Code, Section 61.012, as amended, the Bexar County Elections Administrator shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election. The voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirements for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a confidential or secret ballot.

SECTION 3. PRECINCTS AND POLLING LOCATIONS; HOURS OF VOTING. The Special City Election shall be held as prescribed by law between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, at the City Council District 2 precincts of the City of San Antonio at the locations listed by the Bexar County Elections Administration office. The list of locations will be attached to the election agreement when brought for approval.

SECTION 4. VOTING SYSTEM. Voting on Election Day, Tuesday, November 4, 2014, shall be conducted by the use of AIS650 Tabulators, paper ballots, or the iVotronic™ touch screen voting system, as determined by the City Clerk and the Bexar County Elections Administrator.

For early voting by mail and for provisional voting at this election, the City Clerk has determined that voting shall be conducted by the use of the AIS650 Tabulators, and paper ballots.

For early voting by personal appearance, beginning on Monday, October 20, 2014, and ending on Friday, October 31, 2014, the City Clerk has determined that voting shall be conducted by the use of the iVotronic™ touch screen voting system. The equipment shall be placed at branch offices established for the purpose of conducting early voting by personal appearance at the locations and during the dates and hours listed by the Bexar County Elections Administration, in an attachment to the election agreement brought to Council for consideration at a later meeting.

SECTION 5. EARLY VOTING. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the branch offices during the period for early voting, commencing Monday, October 20, 2014, and ending on Friday, October 31, 2014. Hours of early voting shall be established by the Bexar County Elections Administrator in accordance with the applicable provisions of Texas law.

Electors may cast their early vote by mail. Ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be mailed to the early voting clerk as follows:

Jacquelyn F. Callanen, Early Voting Clerk
Bexar County Elections Administrator
203 E. Nueva, 3.62
San Antonio, TX 78207

The last day to receive an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is Friday, October 24, 2014.

SECTION 6. NOTICE. (a) *Form of Notice of Election.* The City Clerk of the City of San Antonio is authorized and directed to prepare a form of the Notice of Election in both English and Spanish, the contents of which comply with the requirements of Section 4.004 of the Texas Election Code and any other applicable law, and will include at the minimum, the nature and date of the election; the location of each election day and early voting polling place; the hours the polls will be open; the locations, dates and times of temporary branch locations of early voting by personal appearance; the early voting clerk's mailing address; and any other information required by other law, and with variations as permitted by applicable law.

(b) *Method of Giving Notice.* Notice of the election shall be given by posting a copy of the Notice of Election, both in English and Spanish, not later than the 21st day before the date set for the election on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the City Council of the City. Notice of the election shall also be given by publishing said Notice of Election, both in English and Spanish, at least once, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before Election Day, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of San Antonio. The City Council declares that the *San Antonio Express News* is a newspaper of general circulation within the city.

SECTION 7. CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES. The City Council will contract with the Bexar County Elections Administrator to conduct this election. The Council shall consider and approve this contract at a future meeting by passage of an ordinance.

SECTION 8. ELECTION MATERIAL. All resident qualified electors of City Council District 2 within the City shall be permitted to vote at the election and on the day of the election, such electors shall vote at the designated polling places. The election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, and as may be required by any other law. All election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 9. RUN-OFF ELECTION. If necessary, a run-off election will be ordered, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the provisions of the Charter of the City of San Antonio.

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be governed by the provisions of the City Charter and Section 1-15 of the City Code, respectively. As such, this

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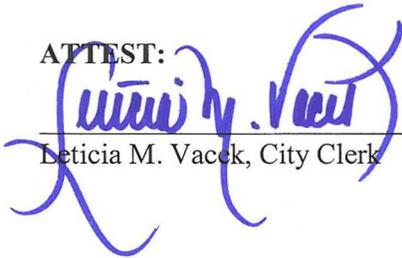
Ordinance shall take effect immediately if passed by the affirmative vote of at least eight members of the City Council; otherwise, this Ordinance shall take effect on the tenth day after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of July, 2014.



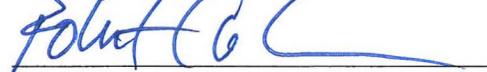
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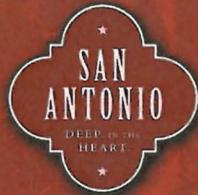
Leticia M. Vacck, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Robert F. Greenblum, City Attorney

Agenda Item:	5						
Date:	07/22/2014						
Time:	12:31:04 PM						
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve						
Description:	An Ordinance ordering a Special City Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 to fill the City Council District Office vacancy; and setting election procedures. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]						
Result:	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Ivy Taylor	Mayor		x				
Diego Bernal	District 1		x				
	District 2	x					
Rebecca Viagran	District 3		x				
Rey Saldaña	District 4		x				
Shirley Gonzales	District 5		x				
Ray Lopez	District 6		x				
Cris Medina	District 7		x				x
Ron Nirenberg	District 8	x					
Joe Krier	District 9		x				
Michael Gallagher	District 10		x			x	



**NOVEMBER 4, 2014
ORDINANCE ORDERING A SPECIAL
CITY ELECTION TO FILL A CITY
COUNCIL VACANCY**

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

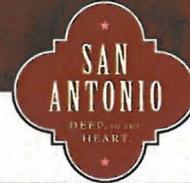
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July 22, 2014**

Purpose



- This Ordinance will officially Order the Special City Election for Tuesday, November 4, 2014 for the purpose of electing a Councilmember to fill the City Council District Office Vacancy.

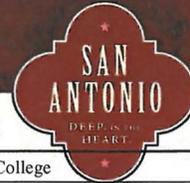
Election Calendar



Tuesday, July 22, 2014	City Council adopts the ordinance Ordering the November Special City Election to fill the City Council Vacancy.
Wednesday, July 23 to Thursday, August 21, 2014	Period for Applying for a Place on the Ballot.
Thursday, August 21, 2014	5:30 p.m. – Drawing for Placement on the Ballot.
Monday, October 6, 2014	5:00 p.m. – Last day to Register to Vote for the November Special City Election.
Monday, October 20, 2014	First day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance.
Friday, October 31, 2014	Last day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance.
Tuesday, November 4, 2014	ELECTION DAY ; 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 18, 2014	2:00 p.m. – Special Called Council Meeting to Canvass Election Results.

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Polling Sites



• Early Voting Polling Sites are as follows:

Bexar County Justice Center	John Igo Library	Palo Alto College
Brookhollow Library	Johnston Library	Parman Library
Castle Hills City Hall	Julia Yates Semmes Library	Precinct 1 Satellite Office
Claude Black Center	Las Palmas Library	San Antonio Community College – Eco Centro Bldg.
Cody Library	Leon Valley Conf. Center	Shavano Park City Hall
Collins Garden Library	Lion's Field	Somerset City Hall
Converse Ed Kneupper Justice Center	Maury Maverick, Jr. Library	South Park Mall
Copernicus Comm. Center	McCreless Library	Thousand Oaks/El Sendero Library
East Central ISD Admin. Bldg.	Memorial Library	Tobin Library
Encino Park Community Center	Miguel Carrillo, Jr. Elementary	Universal City – City Hall
Fair Oaks Ranch City Hall	Mission Library	UTSA
Great Northwest Library	Northside Activity Center	Windcrest Takas Park Civic Center
Henry A. Guerra, Jr. Library	Olmos Basin Golf Club	Wonderland Mall of the Americas @ Crossroads

Sites Subject to Change – Dependent on Entities Conducting an Election.

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Polling Sites



- Election Day Polling Sites for the Council District are being finalized by Bexar County. Said information will be distributed as it becomes available.
- The Special City Election is estimated to cost up to \$200,000.

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Coordination/Recommendation



- This Ordinance was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Bexar County Elections Office.
- Recommend adoption of the Ordinance Ordering the November 4, 2014 Special City Election.

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