

AN ORDINANCE 2013-02-14-0115

ORDERING THE GENERAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2013, AND A RUN-OFF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2013, IF NECESSARY; 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 General Municipal Election be held on Saturday, the 11th of May, 2013, 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 eleven offices designated on the ballot as follows:

- Member of Council, Place 1
- Member of Council, Place 2
- Member of Council, Place 3
- Member of Council, Place 4
- Member of Council, Place 5
- Member of Council, Place 6
- Member of Council, Place 7
- Member of Council, Place 8
- Member of Council, Place 9
- Member of Council, Place 10
- Member of Council, Place 11 (Mayor)

SECTION 2. JOINT ELECTION. The City Council also authorizes the May 11, 2013 General 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 General Election shall be held as prescribed by law between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 11, 2013, at the 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, Saturday, May 11, 2013, 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, April 29, 2013, and ending on Tuesday, May 7, 2013, 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, April 29, 2013, and ending on Tuesday, May 7, 2013. Hours of early voting shall be established by the Bear 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, 3.61
San Antonio, TX 78207

The last day to receive an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is Friday, May 3, 2013.

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 the City shall be permitted to vote at the election and on the day of the election, such electors shall vote at the

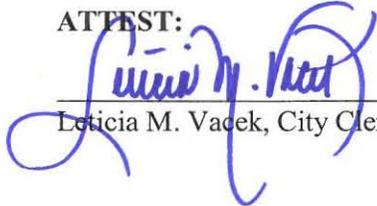
designated polling places. The election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, and as may be required by any other law. All election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 9. DATE OF RUN-OFF. If necessary, a run-off election will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013, 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 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 14th day of February 2013.


M A Y O R
Julián Castro

ATTEST:


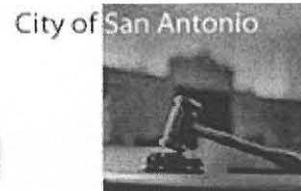
Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Michael Bernard, City Attorney



Request for
**COUNCIL
ACTION**



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Name:	6, 7, 9, 10, 11A, 12, 13, 14, 15						
Date:	02/14/2013						
Time:	10:01:08 AM						
Vote Type:	Motion to Approve						
Description:	An Ordinance ordering the General City Election to be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013 and Run-off Election to be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013, if necessary. [Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk]						
Result:	Passed						
Voter	Group	Not Present	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Motion	Second
Julián Castro	Mayor		x				
Diego Bernal	District 1		x				
Ivy R. Taylor	District 2		x				x
Leticia Ozuna	District 3		x			x	
Rey Saldaña	District 4	x					
David Medina Jr.	District 5		x				
Ray Lopez	District 6		x				
Cris Medina	District 7		x				
W. Reed Williams	District 8	x					
Elisa Chan	District 9		x				
Carlton Soules	District 10		x				

**MAY 11, 2013
GENERAL MUNICIPAL
ELECTION**

**Item # 12
February 14, 2013**

**Leticia M. Vacek
City Clerk
TRMC/MMC**

PURPOSE:

- **This ordinance will officially Call the General Municipal Election for Saturday, May 11, 2013 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm and Run-off Election for Saturday, June 15, 2013, if necessary.**

- **Voters will elect the Mayor (At-large) and City Councilmembers (District specific).**

ELECTION CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 30, 2013 thru 5:00 pm on Friday, March 1, 2013	Period for Application for Place on Ballot.
Friday, February 28, 2013	Last day to provide Pre-Clearance Submission to U.S. Department of Justice.
Monday, March 4, 2013	10:00 am – Drawing for Placement of Names on Ballot
Thursday, April 11, 2013	Last day to Register to Vote in the May 11, 2013 Election.
Monday, April 29, 2013	First day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance.
Tuesday, May 7, 2013	Last day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance.
Saturday, May 11, 2013	Election Day; 7 am – 7 pm
Thursday, May 16, 2013	City Council will canvass the results of the Election.

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POLLING SITES:

- **Early Voting Polling Sites have been distributed to the Council. Election Day Polling Sites are being finalized by Bexar County. Said information will be distributed as it becomes available.**

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RUN-OFF ELECTION:

- In the event that a Run-off Election is necessary, it will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2013 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.
- Early Voting for the Run-off Election will be conducted from Monday, June 3, 2013 to Tuesday, June 11, 2013.

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RUN-OFF ELECTION:

- If a Mayoral Run-off is necessary, the City will utilize the same Early Voting and Election Day polling sites as utilized during the Main Election.
- If a City Council District Run-off Election is necessary, the City will only utilize the Early Voting and Election Day polling sites specific to the District(s) involved in the Run-off Election.

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Deaflink Voting Equipment:

- Deaflink voting equipment will be utilized at the following Early Voting Locations for both the Main and Run-off Election, as applicable:
 - Henry Guerra, Jr. Library
 - John Igo Library
 - Julia Yates Semmes Library
 - Lion's Field
 - McCreless Library

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COORDINATION/RECOMMENDATION:

- This Ordinance was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Bexar County Elections Office.
- The Office of the City Clerk recommends adoption of the Ordinance calling the City's General Election for May 11, 2013.

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