

RESOLUTION NO. _____**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, TEXAS, APPROVING A JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, TEXAS AND MANSFIELD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A JOINT ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 2, 2020; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY PROCEDURES; AND, PROVIDING FOR CANCELLATION DUE TO UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES**

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2020 the City of Mansfield ordered a general and special election to be held on May 2, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2020 the Mansfield Independent School District (MISD) ordered a general election to be held on the same date; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mansfield and the Mansfield Independent School District have an interest in further accommodating the voter; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mansfield and the Mansfield Independent School District wish to conduct their general elections jointly for registered voters residing in Johnson and Ellis counties; and,

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas authorize governmental entities to mutually agree to combine certain aspects of the election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1.

JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT APPROVED. The City of Mansfield hereby approves the Joint Election Agreement with Mansfield Independent School District attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporated herein for all purposes.

SECTION 2.**EARLY VOTING.**

- (a) The City Secretary, City of Mansfield, 1200 E. Broad Street, Mansfield, Texas, 76063, is hereby designated as the Early Voting Clerk for the joint election and she may appoint the necessary deputy clerks as required for early voting.
- (b) Early Voting by personal appearance shall be conducted beginning on April 20, 2020 and continuing through April 28, 2020 at Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad Street, Mansfield, Texas 76063 at the following times:

April 20 – 24	Monday – Friday	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
April 25	Saturday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
April 26	Sunday	11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
April 27 – April 28	Monday – Tuesday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

- (c) Early voting shall be canvassed by the Early Voting Ballot Board, which is hereby created. The Presiding Election Judge and the Alternate Presiding Judge appointed herein shall serve as the presiding officer and the alternate presiding officer, respectively, of the Early Voting Ballot Board. The other election officers serving at the election shall serve as the other members of the Early Voting Ballot Board for the election.

SECTION 3.

ELECTION DAY.

Voting on Saturday, May 2, 2020 shall be held at Mansfield City Hall, 1200 E. Broad Street, Mansfield, Texas 76063 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

SECTION 4.

ELECTION CANCELLATION.

- (a) Any participating authority that certifies their election in accordance with Section 2.051, 2.052, and 2.053 of the Texas Election Code, may withdraw from the joint election contract.
- (b) In the event of election cancellation by the City of Mansfield, MISD agrees to conduct their election at their own expense. In the event of election cancellation by the MISD, City of Mansfield agrees to conduct their election at their own expense.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

David L. Cook, Mayor on behalf of City Council

ATTEST:

Susana Marin, City Secretary