



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting of July 28, 2026
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of August 11, 2026

DATE: July 17, 2026
TO: Mayor and Council
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Ordering a General Election to elect Mayor and eight Council Members
November 3, 2026

CAPTION:

Ordinance ordering a general election to be held on November 3, 2026, in the City of Corpus Christi for the election of Mayor and eight Council Members; providing for procedures for holding such election; providing for notice of election and publication thereof; providing for establishment of branch early voting polling places; designating polling place locations; authorizing a joint election with Nueces County, and a runoff election, if one is necessary, on December 12, 2026; authorizing execution of a Joint Election Agreement and Election Services Contract with Nueces County; and enacting provisions incident and relating to the subject and purpose of this ordinance.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance will allow for a general election to be held on November 3, 2026, to elect a Mayor and eight Council Members; and allow the City to enter into a joint election agreement and election services contract with Nueces County.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Per the City Charter, the regular election of the Mayor and eight Council Members shall be held on the November uniform election date of even-numbered years as authorized by State law. The City historically conducts a joint election with Nueces County.

ALTERNATIVES:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Based on the most recent final actuals for the 2024 general election and 2024 runoff election, in FY 2025, staff has budgeted a conservative amount of \$476,000 combined for the general and runoff election, if necessary, and associated election expenses.

Funding Detail:

Fund: 1020

Organization/Activity: 10020 City Secretary's Office

Mission Element: 714

Project # **(CIP Only)**: N/A

Account: 530000 Professional Services

Note: Will be paid in FY 2027.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the ordinance.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance

Joint Election Agreement – Nueces County