



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting of July 28, 2020
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of August 11, 2020

DATE: July 13, 2020
TO: Mayor and Council
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Ordering a General Election to elect Mayor and Eight Council Members
November 3, 2020

CAPTION:

Ordinance ordering a general election to be held on November 3, 2020, 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 15, 2020; authorizing execution of a Joint Election Agreement 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, 2020 to elect a mayor and eight council members; and allow the City to enter into a joint election agreement 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. In the past, the City has conducted a joint election with Nueces County.

ALTERNATIVES:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Based on the most recent final actuals for the 2018 general election and 2018 runoff election, and because of the unknowns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, in FY 2021, staff has budgeted a conservative amount of \$200,000 for the general election and \$150,000 for the runoff election, if necessary.

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 2021.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the ordinance.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance
Joint Election Agreement – Nueces County