

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELLER, TEXAS, CALLING THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR CITY COUNCIL PLACE 1 AND CITY COUNCIL PLACE 2 FOR THE CITY OF KELLER, TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2024, AS SET FORTH BY THE CHARTER AND BY THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE.

WHEREAS, Section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code provides for the holding of general city elections on the first Saturday in May; and

WHEREAS, the General Election for City Council Place 1 and City Council Place 2 for the City of Keller, as set forth by the Charter and by the Texas Election Code, is required to be held on May 4, 2024, at which time the voters will elect persons to fill the offices of City Council Place 1 and City Council Place 2; and

WHEREAS, the City of Keller desires to conduct joint elections pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Election Code, and as established in a joint election agreement for election services with the Tarrant County Elections Administrator; and

WHEREAS, all legal prerequisites for the adoption of this resolution have been met, including but not limited to the Local Government Code and the Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby declares that the approval of this resolution is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

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

Section 1: THAT, the above findings are hereby found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein in their entirety.

Section 2: **Election Ordered.**

(a) An election shall be held in the City of Keller, Texas on May 4, 2024 to elect persons to fill the offices of City Council Place 1 and City Council Place 2, to serve until May, 2027, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

(b) Said election shall be held by Tarrant County pursuant to a Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services, with respect to such General Election approved by the City Council

of the City of Keller, Texas and Tarrant County Elections Administrator.

Section 3: **Filing for a Place on the Ballot.** Qualified persons may file as candidates by filing an application in the office of the City Secretary, Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., beginning Wednesday, January 17, 2024 and continue through Thursday, February 15, 2024. The office of the City Secretary will be open on the final day of filing, Friday, February 16, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Section 4: **Election Officers.** The election officers for each polling place shall be appointed and compensated pursuant to the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Tarrant County, for said Election on May 4, 2024.

Section 5: a. **Early voting by personal appearance.**

All early voting shall be conducted pursuant to and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the State of Texas Election Code. The Elections Administrator shall determine the early voting place and hours; however, such locations may be changed if so directed by the Elections Administrator without further action of the City Council. The Elections Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in locations as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Election. The Elections Administrator is hereby authorized to appoint the members of the Early Voting Ballot Board and the presiding judge and alternate judge in accordance with the requirements of the Code. The Tarrant County Elections Administrator/Early Voting Clerk has established the following dates, times and locations for early voting by personal appearance:

Early Voting Polling Locations

Tarrant County Elections Center,
2700 Premier Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76111

Keller Town Hall, 1100 Bear Creek Parkway, Keller, Texas 76248

*Other Tarrant County early voting locations to be designated by the Tarrant County Elections Administrator/Early Voting Clerk pursuant to joint election agreements with other political subdivisions within Tarrant County

Days and Hours for Early Voting by Personal Appearance

***Hours subject to change*

April 22-26	Monday - Friday	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
April 27	Saturday	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
April 28	Sunday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
April 29-30	Monday - Tuesday	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

- b. **Early voting by mail.** Tarrant County Elections Administrator, 2700 Premier Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76111 is hereby appointed as Early Voting Clerk. Applications for a Ballot by Mail must be submitted before the close of business on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 by mail, fax, or e-mail to:

MAILING ADDRESS:

**Early Voting Clerk
P.O. Box 961011
Fort Worth, Texas 76161-0011**

FAX: 817-850-2344

E-MAIL: votebymail@tarrantcounty.com

- c. **Early voting ballot board.** The Early Voting Ballot Board shall be appointed and designated in accordance with the provisions of the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Tarrant County.

Section 6: **Election Day Polling Places and Election Hours.** On Election Day, all eligible City of Keller voters shall be permitted to vote in polling place(s) designated by the Elections Administrator between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. These locations include Tarrant County Elections Center, 2700 Premier Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76111 and any polling location in the City of Keller and in Tarrant County. The Election Administrator will provide a final listing of all available polling sites at a future date. The designated polling locations will be published on the City’s website prior to Election Day.

Section 7. The winner shall receive a majority of the votes cast. If no candidate receives a majority, a runoff election will be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code. Any runoff election required for the election of members of the City Council of the City of Keller, Texas, ensuing from the General Election of May 4, 2024, shall be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, or as designated by the joint election agreement and contract in accordance with the election code.

Section 8: **Method of Voting.** Tarrant County’s voting equipment will be utilized for said election, and shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

Section 9: **Governing Law.** The election shall be held as set forth by the Charter and the Texas Election Code, and all resident registered voters of the City shall be eligible to vote in said Election.

Section 10: **Effective Date.** This resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED.

Passed by a vote of ___ to ___ on this the 16th day of January, 2024.

CITY OF KELLER, TEXAS

BY: _____
Armin R. Mizani, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Ballard, City Secretary

Approved as to Form and Legality:

L. Stanton Lowry, City Attorney