

**City Council
Agenda Memo**



**City Council
Meeting Date: Dec. 4th 2014**

TO: David A. Vela, Interim City Manager

FROM: Danette Dunlap, City Secretary

SUBJECT: Amending Resolution Ordering a Special Election to fill a vacancy to be held on January 13, 2015

GENERAL INFORMATION

With the resignation of Councilwoman Miller, Place 6 the City Charter states that all vacancies of the council must be filled by election pursuant to Article XI, Section 11 of the Texas Constitution.

This Amendment to the Resolution Ordering a Special Election amends the polling locations for both Early Voting and on Election Day. (January 13th 2015)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted by the Taylor County Elections Office each weekday in the Taylor County Plaza, 400 Oak Street, Abilene, Texas, from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm, January 5, 2015, through January 9, 2015, and from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm on January 8, 2015.

Branch Early voting each weekday at Abilene City Hall, 555 Walnut Street from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm beginning January 5 and ending January 9, 2015

Books A Million – Mall of Abilene January 5th – January 9th from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
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Kmart – 4565 South 1st Street January 5th – January 9th from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Election Day Voting Locations: 7:00 am till 7:00 pm

Precinct	Location	Address
101, 107A, 201 202, 205	Johnston Elementary School	3602 North 12th, Abilene, TX 79603
102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 404, 405	Westminster Presbyterian Church	4515 South 14th St., Abilene, TX 79605
203, 204, 401	Sears Park Recreation Center	2250 Ambler Avenue, Abilene, TX 79603
108, 301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307A	New Beginnings United Pentecostal Church	5535 Buffalo Gap Rd., Abilene, TX 79606
402, 403, 406, 407	Hillcrest Church of Christ (Jones County Pct. 302)	650 East Ambler, Abilene, TX 79601

STAFF RECOMMENDATION – Staff recommends approval of the Amended Resolution

FUNDING IMPACT – Estimate of \$21,403.80

ATTACHMENT

Resolution

Prepared by: Name: Danette Dunlap Title: City Secretary	Item No. <u>6.2</u>	Disposition by City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Approved Ord/Res# _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Denied <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ City Secretary
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RESOLUTION _____

AMENDED RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, ON JANUARY 13, 2015, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR CITY COUNCIL PLACE 6 TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF AN UNEXPIRED TERM

WHEREAS, on October 9th **City Council Place 6** became vacant with the resignation of the council member; and

WHEREAS, the unexpired remainder of the term is 14 months; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Charter of the City of Abilene and in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, the City Council hereby orders that a special election be held on Tuesday January 13, 2015, as authorized by Section 9 of the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Candidates may file an application for a place on the special election ballot commencing on October 24th, in the City Secretary’s Office, located in the Municipal Building, 555 Walnut Street, Abilene, Texas. The filing deadline is 5 p.m. on November 13, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City will contract with the Taylor County Election Administrator to conduct the City of Abilene Special Called Election; and,

WHEREAS, the Taylor County Election Administrator will recommend for appointment by the City the Presiding Election Judges, Alternate Judges, Manager of Central Counting, Tabulation Supervisor, Judge of Central Counting Station, Judge of Early Ballot Board and Assistants at a later date.

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

Part 1. An election is hereby ordered to be held on January 13, 2015.

Part 2. All qualified voters of the City of Abilene may vote for the purpose of electing a council member for City Council Place 6 to serve the remainder of an unexpired term until the regular City Council election in May 2015.

Part 3. The voters will utilize the following Polling locations on election day January 13, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. till 7:00 p.m.

Precinct Polling Locations

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Applications for mail ballots must be received by 5:00 pm, January 5, 2015, addressed to Kristi Allyn, Taylor County Election Administrator, P. O. Box 3318, Abilene, Texas 79604.

That this Resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, as indicated below.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Abilene on the 4th day of December, 2014

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY

MAYOR PRO-TEM

APPROVED:

CITY ATTORNEY