

RESOLUTION NO. 27-2000

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON NOVEMBER 7, 2000 IN CONJUNCTION WITH TAYLOR COUNTY'S GENERAL ELECTION PLACING ON THE BALLOT FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL THE ADDING OF FLUORIDE TO THE CITY OF ABILENE WATER SUPPLY AND THEREBY RECOMMENDING REPEAL OF 1964 ORDINANCE NO. 127.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Abilene directed that a survey be conducted asking the Abilene citizens if they supported having an election to address adding fluoride to the City of Abilene water supply; and

WHEREAS, said survey resulted in the city council determining that such an election should take place; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene, Texas, is authorized by law to hold such election on November 7, 2000 in conjunction with the general election; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1: That an election be, and the same is hereby ordered to be held within the jurisdiction of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the 7th day of November, 2000, pursuant to the laws of the State of Texas, the Charter of the City of Abilene, Texas, and a contract hereafter approved by the City Council between the City and Taylor County Elections Administrator for election services. Such election shall be held for the following purposes:

To provide for voting for or against the following proposition:

For or Against: Adding fluoride to the City of Abilene water supply and thereby recommending the repeal of the 1964 Ordinance No. 127, which prohibited adding fluoride.

SECTION 2: The election called by this resolution shall be held in accordance with the requirements for bilingual elections as set forth in the Voting Rights Act amendments for 1975 (42 USC 1973aa-1a) and in Section 272.001 of the Election Code. All election forms and material shall be printed in both English and Spanish, and bilingual oral assistance shall be made available within the requirements of the law.

SECTION 3: Said special election shall be held as prescribed by law, jointly with Taylor County's General Election, at the polling places designated by Taylor County between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock p.m., with voting and polling places to be approved at a later date by Resolution of the City Council. Said Resolution shall also include; Appointing Election Officials, Establishing Temporary Branch Locations, Days, Dates and Times for Early Voting, Establishing Mobile Voting Locations, Days, Dates, and Times for Early Voting and Providing for a Proclamation Notice and Publication of Notice of said Election.

SECTION 4: That the City Council of the City of Abilene hereby designates the system of marking or punching a ballot which is in such form that it may be counted by data processing machines as the approved method for tabulating votes in all general, special, runoff and bond elections. Said system has been previously approved and utilized by both the Taylor County Commissioners and the City Council for conducting their elections.

SECTION 5: EARLY VOTING. (a.) Early voting by mail. Electors may cast their early vote by mail, and the mailing address of the supervisor of early voting to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent to, is as follows:

Pauline Pitman, Taylor County Elections Administrator
P.O. Box 3318
Abilene, Texas 79604

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 31, 2000.

(b) Early Voting by Personal Appearance At Main Early Voting Location. The Main Early Voting Polling Location shall be at the Taylor County Plaza, 400 Oak St., Abilene, Texas, during the period early voting is required or permitted by law, being October 23, 2000 through October 27, 2000 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and October 30, 2000 through November 3, 2000 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Weekend voting at the Main Early Voting Polling Location shall be Saturday, October 28, 2000 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 29, 2000 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(c) Temporary Branch Locations, Days, Dates, and Times for Early Voting. Temporary branch locations for early voting, and the days, dates, and times for early voting at such early voting temporary branch locations shall be as indicated by Taylor County and approved by City Council Resolution as set out in Section 3 of this order.

(d) Mobile Voting Locations, Days, Dates, and Times for Early Voting. Mobile voting locations for early voting, and the days, dates, and times for early voting at such early voting mobile locations shall be as indicated by Taylor County and approved by City Council Resolution as set out in Section 3 of this order.


(e) The City Council further determines that all early ballots voted in person and by mail shall be voted by ballots to be counted by the electronic voting system. The City Secretary is hereby designated as Early Voting Clerk and the Taylor County Elections Administrator is designated to supervise the early voting, as provided by a contract approved for such purpose, and as provided by the Texas Election Code, Sections 31.091 through 31.100.

SECTION 6: The Taylor County Plaza is hereby designated as the Central Counting Station for the automatic counting and tabulating of ballots.

SECTION 7: 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, Texas, this 14 day of September, A.D. 2000.

ATTEST:



CITY SECRETARY



MAYOR

APPROVED:



CITY ATTORNEY