



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Government Performance and Financial Management

AGENDA DATE: February 10, 2021

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: City Secretary's Office

EXECUTIVE: Bilierae Johnson

SUBJECT

An ordinance ordering a general election to be held in the City of Dallas on Saturday, May 1, 2021, for the purpose of electing 14 members to the City Council of the City of Dallas to represent Places 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 for the term beginning June 14, 2021 - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

BACKGROUND

Chapter III, Section 1, of the Dallas City Charter provides for a city council composed of 15 members: a mayor who serves for a term of four years, and 14 council members representing single-member council districts who each serve for terms of two years. The terms of all single-member council districts expire June 14, 2021.

Chapter IV, Section 3, of the Dallas City Charter provides the general election to elect members of the city council be held on the first authorized election date after March 1 of each odd-numbered year. For 2021, that date is Saturday, May 1, 2021. Section 3.005(c) of the Texas Election Code requires a May election be ordered not later than the 78th day before election day. For the May 1st general election, the deadline for ordering the election is Friday, February 12, 2021. The City of Dallas will order their May 1, 2021 general election, Wednesday, February 10, 2021; as it is the last city council meeting day to order the election without having to schedule a special meeting.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

This item has no prior action.

FISCAL INFORMATION

No cost consideration to the City.