

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A RUNOFF ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN ON DECEMBER 16, 2014, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR (AT LARGE) AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS (SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS) FOR DISTRICT 1, DISTRICT 3, DISTRICT 4, DISTRICT 6, DISTRICT 7, DISTRICT 8, AND DISTRICT 10; MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** A municipal runoff election shall be held in the City of Austin on December 16, 2014, in accordance with the provisions of Article II and Article III of the Austin City Charter and the laws of the State of Texas. At the election there shall be elected by the qualified voters of the City a Mayor (at large) and City Council Members (single member districts) for District 1, District 3, District 4, District 6, District 7, District 8, and District 10. The candidates for Mayor shall meet all requirements, shall be residents of the City of Austin, and shall be elected by majority vote of the City at large. The candidates for Districts 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 10 shall meet all requirements, shall be residents of their respective districts, and shall be elected by majority vote of voters residing in each respective district.

**PART 2.** The election shall be conducted between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The precincts and locations of the election day polling places; the dates, hours, and locations of the early voting places; and the names of the officers appointed to conduct the election are provided in Exhibits A-E attached and incorporated as a part of this ordinance.

**PART 3.** A direct recording electronic voting system, as the term is defined in Title 8 of the Texas Election Code, shall be used for early voting and for voting conducted on election day. The central counting station is established at the Travis County Elections Division, 5501 Airport Boulevard, Austin, Texas.

**PART 4.** Notice of this election shall be given by posting and publishing a copy of this ordinance in both English and Spanish. The notice and a copy of this ordinance shall be posted, in both English and Spanish, in the office of the City Clerk and at the City Hall notice kiosk not later than the 15th day before election day. The notice posted at City Hall shall be accompanied by a cover page, at the top of which shall appear the words "A MUNICIPAL RUNOFF ELECTION, DECEMBER 16, 2014." Notice of this election shall be published one time, not earlier than the 30th day before the date of the election or

later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day before the date of the election, in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Austin.

**PART 5.** The candidates elected at the November 4, 2014 general election and the December 16, 2014 runoff election shall take the oath of office and begin their tenure on January 6, 2015.

**PART 6.** The Council finds that, because of the curtailed period for a runoff election and the desire of the Council to provide an opportunity for early voting, there is a need to immediately begin required preparations for this election. Such need constitutes an emergency, and the Council declares that an emergency exists. Because of this emergency, this ordinance takes effect immediately on its passage for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare.

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

\_\_\_\_\_, 2014

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Lee Leffingwell  
Mayor

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Karen M. Kennard  
City Attorney

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk

*Exhibits A – E to be updated*

- Exhibit A: Election Day Polling Places*
- Exhibit B: Election Day Presiding Judges and Alternate Judges*
- Exhibit C: Early Voting Polling Places*
- Exhibit D: Central Counting Station Staff*
- Exhibit E: Early Voting Ballot Board*