



Recommendation for Action

File #: 22-1077, Agenda Item #: 1.

1/4/2022

Posting Language

Approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 20211118-002 declaring a vacancy in the office of City Council District 4 and ordering a special municipal election to be held on January 25, 2022, to elect a council member for District 4, to add Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H that provide early voting information, adopt English and Spanish versions of the ordinance calling the election, adopt election day and early voting polling places, attach the executed contract for election services and any executed joint election agreements, and list election day judges, central counting station staff, and early voting ballot board members; and declaring an emergency.

Lead Department

Office of the City Clerk.

Fiscal Note

No fiscal impact.

For More Information:

Additional Backup Information:

On November 4, 2021, Council Member Casar announced that he is running for Congress, at a point in time when there is more than a year and 30 days left in his term as Council Member, thereby triggering a provision under the Texas Constitution where he automatically resigned from his position as Council Member. Council Member Casar will continue to serve in a hold over capacity, but with the resignation of Council Member Casar, there is now a vacancy in Council District 4 that must be filled by special election.

Following is the schedule for the special election and proposed runoff election if one is needed:

Election Day is Tuesday, **January 25, 2022** , with Early Voting January 10 - 21.

The canvass of the special election will be held **February 4, 2022** (if no runoff is needed, the new council member may be sworn in this day).

If needed, a runoff election is proposed Tuesday, **March 22, 2022** , with Early Voting March 7 - 18. The canvass of the runoff election would be held **April 1, 2022** , with the new member being sworn in this day.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government that Works for All.