



GARLAND

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

City Hall, Council Chambers
William E. Dollar Municipal Building
200 N. Fifth Street
Garland, Texas
May 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The Garland City Council extends to all visitors a sincere welcome. We value your interest in our community and your participation in the meetings of this governing body. Visit GarlandTX.gov/Council for a full list of meeting dates.

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NOTICE: Pursuant to Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code, one or more members of the City Council may attend this meeting by internet/video remote means. A quorum of the City Council, as well as the presiding officer, will be physically present at the above identified location. Members of the public that desire to make a public comment must attend the meeting in person.

AGENDA:

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON WORK SESSION ITEMS

Members of the audience may address the City Council on any Work Session item at the beginning of the meeting. Speakers are allowed three minutes each, grouped by agenda item and called in the order of the agenda. Anyone wishing to speak must fill out a speaker card (located at the entrance to the Council Chambers and on the visitor's side of the Work Session Room) and give it to the City Secretary before the Mayor calls the meeting to order. Speakers are limited to addressing items on the Work Session agenda only. Items on a Regular Meeting agenda should be addressed at the respective Regular Meeting. Items not currently on an agenda may be addressed during the citizen comments portion of any Regular Meeting.

2. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- a. Consider an Ordinance canvassing the Special Election returns for the purpose of adoption or rejection of seventeen proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Garland, Texas; declaring the results of that election and providing an effective date.

Council is requested to adopt the ordinance canvassing the May 4, 2024 Special Election results.

- b. Consider an ordinance canvassing the results of a General Election for the purpose of electing candidates to the Office of City Council of the City of Garland, Texas, for an election having been held May 4, 2024; declaring the results of that election; and providing an effective date.

Formal canvassing of the returns and declaring the results of the May 4, 2024 General Election held for the purpose of electing a candidates to the Office of the City Council of the City of Garland for Districts 1, 2, 4, and 5.

- c. Conduct the swearing in of Council Members for District 1, 2, and 5.

3. ADJOURN

VISION		CITY COUNCIL
 Commercially Thriving Downtown	 Safe Community	 Growing Economic Base
 Well-Maintained City Infrastructure	 Vibrant Neighborhoods and Commercial Centers	 Sound Governance and Finances
 Enhanced Quality of Life through Amenities, Arts, and Events	 Reliable, Cost Efficient Utility Services	 Future-Focused City Organization



GARLAND
CITY COUNCIL ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

Notice of Special Meeting

2. a.

Meeting Date: 05/14/2024

Item Title: Consider an Ordinance canvassing the Special Election of the City of Garland

Submitted By: Tracy Allmendinger, Deputy City Secretary

Summary of Request/Problem

Consider an Ordinance canvassing the Special Election returns for the purpose of adoption or rejection of seventeen proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Garland, Texas; declaring the results of that election and providing an effective date.

Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification

Attachments

Charter 2024 Canvass Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF A SPECIAL ELECTION HELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTION OR REJECTION OF SEVENTEEN PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE EXISTING CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS, SUCH ELECTION HAVING BEEN HELD ON MAY 4th OF 2024, AND DECLARING RESULTS OF THAT ELECTION.

WHEREAS, on the 14th day of May, 2024, at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Garland, Texas, the City Council canvassed the results of a special home-rule election held on the 4th day of May, 2024 for the purpose of submitting to the voters, for adoption or rejection, proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Garland, Texas, such election having been duly ordered by the City Council, acting pursuant to Ordinance No. 7506, duly passed by the City Council on the 6th day of February, 2024 by the authority of the Constitution and laws of this State; and; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the election officials of the several voting districts of the City have, in compliance with the law in such cases made and provided, made returns to the City Council in the time and manner required, and the City Council, having canvassed the vote from each of those districts, does find the total number of votes casts for each proposition is as follows:

Proposition A.

FOR	2,186 (Dallas Co.)
	1 (Collin Co.)
AGAINST	613 (Dallas Co.)
	0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 1(D) of the Home Rule Charter be amended to redefine "term" to mean in excess of annual consecutive statutory election dates?"

Proposition B.

FOR	2,134 (Dallas Co.)
	1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 677 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 1(F) of the Home Rule Charter be amended to mirror state redistricting law of ten (10) year intervals?"

Proposition C.

FOR 2,528 (Dallas Co.)
1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 307 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 1(F) of the Home Rule Charter be amended to add protections against gerrymandering?"

Proposition D.

FOR 2,167 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 624 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 2 of the Home Rule Charter be amended the qualifications of councilmembers?"

Proposition E.

FOR 1,559 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 1,281 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 3 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to increase the compensation for Mayor and Councilmembers?"

Proposition F.

FOR 1,876 (Dallas Co.)
1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 967 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 4 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to add gender neutral language consistent with the rest of the charter?"

Proposition G.

FOR 2,266 (Dallas Co.)
1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 526 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 4 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to add a reference to the Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore position on council?"

Proposition H.

FOR 2,405 (Dallas Co.)
1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 408 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article III, Section 5(A) of the Home Rule Charter be amended to add a thirty (30) day deadline for the Governor to respond to an election petition from the City before the City Council can fulfill the vacancy by appointment?"

Proposition I.

FOR 2,446 (Dallas Co.)
1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 354 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article IV, Section 2 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to clarify the council appointed positions to which the removal procedure applies?"

Proposition J.

FOR	2,418	(Dallas Co.)
	1	(Collin Co.)
AGAINST	392	(Dallas Co.)
	0	(Collin Co.)

"Shall Article IV, Section 3 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to change the enforcement procedure of improper communication with appointments to be pursuant to the City's Code of Ethics?"

Proposition K.

FOR	2,440	(Dallas Co.)
	1	(Collin Co.)
AGAINST	406	(Dallas Co.)
	0	(Collin Co.)

"Shall Article IV, Section 8(A) of the Home Rule Charter be amended to change the allowed contract of the City Auditor to not exceed five (5) years?"

Proposition L.

FOR	2,383	(Dallas Co.)
	1	(Collin Co.)
AGAINST	466	(Dallas Co.)
	0	(Collin Co.)

"Shall Article V, Section 2 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to change the allowed contract of the City Manager to not exceed five (5) years?"

Proposition M.

FOR	2,379	(Dallas Co.)
	1	(Collin Co.)
AGAINST	471	(Dallas Co.)
	0	(Collin Co.)

"Shall Article VI, Section 1 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to change the allowed contract of the City Attorney to not exceed five (5) years?"

Proposition N.

FOR	2,471 (Dallas Co.)
	0 (Collin Co.)
AGAINST	356 (Dallas Co.)
	0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article XI, Section 1(E) of the Home Rule Charter be amended to clarify the circumstances of the Mayor's appointment to a vacancy on the Plan Commission?"

Proposition O.

FOR	2,503 (Dallas Co.)
	1 (Collin Co.)
AGAINST	337 (Dallas Co.)
	0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article XI, Section 4 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to simplify and clarify the Zoning powers of the City to be consistent with City Ordinances and state law?"

Proposition P.

FOR	2,196 (Dallas Co.)
	1 (Collin Co.)
AGAINST	583 (Dallas Co.)
	0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article XI, Section 7 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to add the allowance of delegation of certain plat approval pursuant to recent changes in state law?"

Proposition Q.

FOR	2,356 (Dallas Co.)
	1 (Collin Co.)

AGAINST 464 (Dallas Co.)
0 (Collin Co.)

"Shall Article XII, Section 1 of the Home Rule Charter be amended to remove the specific reference to May and be consistent with any statutorily designated uniform election date?"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1.

That the proposed amendments adopted and approved by a majority of the voters in the special home-rule election of the City of Garland, Texas held on the 4th day of May, 2024, as set forth above, and as more particularly described in Ordinance No. 7506, are hereby made part of the Charter of the City.

Section 2.

That this Ordinance shall be and become effective immediately upon and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of May, 2024.

CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary



GARLAND
CITY COUNCIL ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

Notice of Special Meeting

2. b.

Meeting Date: 05/14/2024

Item Title: Canvass Results of a General Election

Submitted By: Tracy Allmendinger, Deputy City Secretary

Summary of Request/Problem

Consider an ordinance canvassing the results of a General Election for the purpose of electing candidates to the Office of City Council of the City of Garland, Texas, for an election having been held May 4, 2024; declaring the results of that election; and providing an effective date.

Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification

Council is requested to adopt the ordinance canvassing the May 4, 2024 General Election results.

Attachments

General Election Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF A GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES TO THE OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL FOR COUNCILMEMBERS TO DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4, AND 5 OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS, FOR THE ELECTION HELD ON MAY 4, 2024; DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THAT ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on the 14th of May, 2024, such date being within the time prescribed by law for the canvassing of election results at an election called by a municipality, the City Council canvassed the results of the general election held on the 4th day of May, 2024, for the purpose of electing Councilmembers to Districts 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the City of Garland, Texas; such election having been duly ordered by the City Council under the authority of the Constitution and laws of the State; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the election officials of the voting districts of the City have, in compliance with the law, made returns to the City Council in the time and manner required; and the City Council having canvassed the votes from each of those districts does find the total number of votes cast for each candidate was as follows:

NAME OF CANDIDATE	TOTAL VOTES	PERCENTAGE OF VOTES
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 1</u>		
Jeff Bass	439 (Dallas Co.)	100.00%
	1 (Collin Co.)	100.00%
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 2</u>		
Eric Stuyvesant	181	46.77%
Kris Beard	206	53.23%
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 4</u>		
B.J. Williams	285	100.00%
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 5</u>		
Margaret Lucht	241	100.00%

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1

That, having canvassed the results of the election held on the 4th day of May, 2024, the City Council determines that the following candidates were elected to the following positions and are hereby declared elected to office, subject to the taking of the oath of office as prescribed by the Texas Constitution:

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 1

Jeff Bass

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 2

Kris Beard

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 4

B.J. Williams

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 5

Margaret Lucht

Section 2

That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of May, 2024.

CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary



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2. c.

Meeting Date: 05/14/2024

Item Title: Conduct the swearing in of Council Members for District 1, 2, and 5

Submitted By: Tracy Allmendinger, Deputy City Secretary

Summary of Request/Problem

Conduct the swearing in of Council Members for District 1, 2, and 5.

Recommendation/Action Requested and Justification

Attachments

General Election Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF A GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES TO THE OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL FOR COUNCILMEMBERS TO DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4, AND 5 OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS, FOR THE ELECTION HELD ON MAY 4, 2024; DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THAT ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on the __th of May, 2024, such date being within the time prescribed by law for the canvassing of election results at an election called by a municipality, the City Council canvassed the results of the general election held on the 4th day of May, 2024, for the purpose of electing Councilmembers to Districts 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the City of Garland, Texas; such election having been duly ordered by the City Council under the authority of the Constitution and laws of the State; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the election officials of the voting districts of the City have, in compliance with the law, made returns to the City Council in the time and manner required; and the City Council having canvassed the votes from each of those districts does find the total number of votes cast for each candidate was as follows:

NAME OF CANDIDATE	TOTAL VOTES	PERCENTAGE OF VOTES
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 1</u>		
Jeff Bass	396	100.00%
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 2</u>		
Eric Stuyvesant	170	47.35%
Kris Beard	189	52.65%
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 4</u>		
B.J. Williams	253	100.00%
<u>COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 5</u>		
Margaret Lucht	226	100.00%

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1

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COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 1

Jeff Bass

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 2

Kris Beard

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 4

B.J. Williams

COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 5

Margaret Lucht

Section 2

That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ___th day of May, 2024.

CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary