

# SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

### Tuesday, December 14, 2021 6:00 PM Little Elm Town Hall 100 W Eldorado Parkway, Little Elm, TX 75068

- 1. Call to Order Special Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
  - A. Invocation.
  - B. Pledge to Flags.
- 2. Reports and Requests for Town Council Consideration.
  - A. Present, Discuss, and Consider Action on Resolution No. 1214202102, Casting 65 Votes for a Candidate for Appointment to the Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.
  - B. Present, Discuss, and Consider Action on Resolution No. 1214202101 Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of a Special Runoff Election held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, to Elect One (1) Town Council Member from Place 1 for an Unexpired Term Ending May 7, 2022; Finding that All Matters Set Forth Herein are True and Correct; and Providing for an Immediate Effective Date.
- 3. **Presentations.**

- A. Present and Issue the **Certificate of Election to Jamell Johnson, Council Member Place**1.
- B. Present and Administer the **Statement of Officer and Oath of Office for Jamell Johnson, Council Member Place 1.**
- C. Presentation from the Town Manager.

#### 4. Convene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code:

- Section 551.071 for private consultation with the Town Attorney to discuss the COVID-19 pandemic and municipal authority to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak and to seek legal advice with respect to pending and contemplated litigation and including all matters on this agenda to which the Town Attorney has a duty under the Texas Rules of Discipline and Professional conduct regarding confidential communication with the Town Council.
- Section 551.072 to discuss certain matters regarding real property.
- Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code to discuss and deliberate personal matters to evaluate performance duties, of a public officer or employee(s).
- Section 551.076 to discuss security matters.
- Section 551.087 to discuss Economic Development.

#### 5. Reconvene into Open Session

Discussion and consideration to take any action necessary as the result of the Executive Session:

- COVID-19 Pandemic and the Town's response thereto, including the consideration of an emergency declaration ordinance.
- Section 551.071 for private consultation with the Town Attorney to discuss the COVID-19 pandemic and municipal authority to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak and to seek legal advice with respect to pending and contemplated litigation and including all matters on this agenda to which the Town Attorney has a duty under the Texas Rules of Discipline and Professional conduct regarding confidential communication with the Town Council.
- Section 551.072 to discuss certain matters regarding real property.
- Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code to discuss and deliberate personal matters to evaluate performance duties, of a public officer or employee(s).
- Section 551.076 to discuss security matters.
- Section 551.087 to discuss Economic Development.

#### 6. **Adjourn.**

Pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act, (Chapter 551, Texas Government Code), one or more of the above items will be taken or conducted in open session following the conclusion of the executive closed session.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aide of service such as interpreters for the hearing impaired, reader or large print are requested to contact the secretary at 214-975-0452 two days prior to the meeting so appropriate arrangements can be made. **BRAILLE IS NOT PROVIDED.** 

Respectfully,

**Town Secretary** 

This is to certify that the above notice was posted on the Town's website this 9th day of December 2021 before 5:00 p.m.



Agenda Item #: 2. A.

**Department:** Administrative Services

**Strategic Goal:** Ensure strong relationship within the community and region

**Staff Contact:** Kate Graham, Assistant to the Town Manager

#### **AGENDA ITEM:**

Present, Discuss, and Consider Action on Resolution No. 1214202102, Casting 65 Votes for a Candidate for Appointment to the Denton Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Each voting unit for the Denton County Appraisal District Board must cast its vote by written resolution and submit it to the Chief Appraiser before December 15th. The unit may cast all its votes for one candidate or may distribute the votes among any number of candidates. The Town of Little Elm has 65 votes. When a voting unit casts its votes, it must cast the votes for a person that was nominated and is named on the ballot. There is no provision for write-in candidates. The Tax Code does not permit the Chief Appraiser to count votes cast for someone not listed on the official ballot. The five nominees receiving the most votes will become the Denton CAD Board of Directors.

At the November 16, 2021 Town Council Meeting, Council directed staff to create a resolution providing all 65 votes for David Terre. Staff has since been notified that David Terre has enough votes to be on the board and is requesting direction from Council on casting votes for a different nominee. At the December 7, 2021, Town Council Meeting, Town Council directed staff to table the item until the December 14, 2021, Special Meeting in order to review the nomination options.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact for this item.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Staff requests direction from Town Council.

Resolution No. 1214202102

#### TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1214202102**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS, CASTING 65 VOTES FOR A CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE DENTON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, each year, the Denton Central Appraisal District appoints persons to the Appraisal District Board of Directors, submitting the nominees to each governmental entity for it to cast its votes for board membership; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Little Elm, Texas, has 65 votes to cast based on the DCAD formula, and the Town has been requested to cast its votes for one or more nominees.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS:

**SECTION 1.** The Town Council of the Town of Little Elm, Texas, does hereby cast 65 votes for <u>NAME</u> for appointment to the Board of Directors of the Denton Central Appraisal District.

**SECTION 2.** The Town Secretary is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Denton Central Appraisal District.

**SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** on the 14th day of December, 2021.

ATTEST:	Cornelious Curtis, Mayor
Caitlan Biggs,	
Town Secretary	
SEAL	



Agenda Item #: 2. B.

**Department:** Administrative Services

Strategic Goal: Maintain operational integrity and viability

**Staff Contact:** Caitlan Biggs, Director of Administrative Services/Town Secretary

#### **AGENDA ITEM:**

Present, Discuss, and Consider Action on Resolution No. 1214202101 Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of a Special Runoff Election held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, to Elect One (1) Town Council Member from Place 1 for an Unexpired Term Ending May 7, 2022; Finding that All Matters Set Forth Herein are True and Correct; and Providing for an Immediate Effective Date.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

On Tuesday, December 7, 2021, the Town of Little Elm held a Special Runoff Election to elect a Council Member for Place 1 for an unexpired term ending May 7, 2022.

Below is a summary of the results. The complete results will be available at the meeting and attached to the minutes, once approved.

Place 1:

Ken Eaken - 1,085 Jamell Johnson - 1,409

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact associated with this item.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Staff recommends approval.

Resolution No. 1214202101

#### TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1214202101**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF A SPECIAL RUNOFF ELECTION HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021, TO ELECT A COUNCIL MEMBER FOR PLACE 1 TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING ON MAY 7, 2022; FINDING THAT ALL MATTERS SET FORTH HEREIN ARE TRUE AND CORRECT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS,** there was heretofore ordered and called for the Town of Little Elm, Texas (the "<u>Town</u>") a Special Runoff Election to be held on December 7, 2021 for the purpose of electing one (1) Council Member for Place 1 to fill an unexpired term ending on May 7, 2022 (such election is herein referred to as the "<u>Election</u>"); and

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate authority of the Town caused to be posted and published, in accordance with applicable laws, notices for the Election; and

WHEREAS, the Election was duly and legally held on December 7, 2021, in the Town and in conformity with the Town Charter and the election laws of the State, and the results of the Elections, including early voting results, have been delivered by the presiding election judge in accordance with law and have been delivered to the Town Council as the canvassing authority in accordance with law; and

**WHEREAS,** The Town Council hereby canvasses the returns of the Election set forth herein and in accordance with law and takes such other actions regarding the results of the said Election as set forth herein.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LITTLE ELM, TEXAS:

#### **Section 1.** Canvass of the Election.

A. The returns of the Election, including the returns of early voting ballots, duly and legally made, showed that there were for the runoff election of officers held on December 7, 2021 the following votes:

#### **Council Member, Place 1 (Unexpired Term ending May 7, 2022)**

Name of Candidate	Total Number of	<u>Total Number of Votes</u>	Total Number
	Early Voting Votes	on December 7, 2021	of Votes
	and Absentee Votes		
Ken Eaken	535	550	1,085
Jamell Johnson	1,045	364	1,409

B. As provided by subsection A. of Section 11.07 of the Town Charter and in accordance with Article 11, Section 11 of the Texas Constitution, candidates for Council Member, Place 1, who received a majority of all votes cast for the respective office shall be declared elected. Further, as provided by Section 2.028 of the Texas Election Code, if the candidates in a runoff election tie, an automatic recount shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter 216. If the recount does not resolve the tie, the tied candidates shall cast lots to determine the winner.

#### **Council Member Place 1**

In accordance therewith: <u>Jamell Johnson</u> having received the most votes for the office of Council Member, Place 1, is hereby declared elected to the office of Council Member Place 1 (unexpired term ending May 7, 2022).

**Section 2.** <u>Matters True and Correct.</u> All of the matter set forth herein, including the matters set forth in the recitals to this Resolution, are all true and correct and made a part of this Resolution.

**Section 3.** Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately and be in full force and effect upon adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Little Elm, Texas this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

	Curtis J. Cornelious, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Caitlan Biggs, Town Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Robert F. Brown, Town Attorney	_



Agenda Item #: 3. A.

**Department:** Administrative Services

Strategic Goal: Maintain operational integrity and viability

**Staff Contact:** Caitlan Biggs, Director of Administrative Services/Town Secretary

#### **AGENDA ITEM:**

Present and Issue the Certificate of Election to Jamell Johnson, Council Member Place 1.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

As a result of the December 7, 2021, Special Runoff Election, Jamell Johnson was elected to the position of Council Member Place 1. The Mayor will present and execute the Certificate of Election.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact for this item.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

No action is required.

#### **Attachments**

Certificate of Election - Jamell Johnson



In the name and by the authority of

## The State of Texas

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a runoff election held on

December 7, 2021

### **JAMELL JOHNSON**

was duly elected

### **TOWN COUNCIL PLACE 1**

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of Little Elm to be affixed at the Town of Little Elm, Texas This the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

Signature of Presiding Officer of The Town of Little Elm, Texas



Agenda Item #: 3. B.

**Department:** Administrative Services

Strategic Goal: Maintain operational integrity and viability

**Staff Contact:** Caitlan Biggs, Director of Administrative Services/Town Secretary

#### **AGENDA ITEM:**

Present and Administer the Statement of Officer and Oath of Office for Jamell Johnson, Council Member Place 1.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

As a result of the December 7, 2021, Special Runoff Election, Jamell Johnson was elected to the position of Council Member Place 1. The Town Secretary will present and execute the Statement of Officer and Oath of Office.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is no budget impact for this item.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

No action is required.

#### **Attachments**

Oath of Office - Jamell Johnson Statement of Officer - Jamell Johnson Form #2204 Rev 9/2017

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#### **OATH OF OFFICE**

I, <u>Jamell J</u> execute the d the State of T	ohnson uties of the Texas, and v	office of _ Town Cor	ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and law	of
			Signature of Officer	
			~-6	
		Certification of Per	rson Authorized to Administer Oath	
State of	Texas			
County of	Denton			
Sworn to and	d subscribed	d before me on this _	day of	•
(Affix I	Notary Seal,			
only if				
adminis	stered by a			
notary.)	)			
			Signature of Notary Public or	
			Signature of Other Person Authorized to Administer An	
			Oath	
			Caitlan Biggs	
			Printed or Typed Name	

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### **Statement**

thing of value, or promised any public office	, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have not to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money or or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case
Title of Position to Which Elected/Appointed	d: Town Council Member Place 1
	Execution
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I havare true.	ve read the foregoing statement and that the facts stated therein
Date: December 14, 2021	Signature of Officer

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