RESOLUTION NO. 2018-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KEMAH, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION BE HELD ON MAY 5, 2018, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE (3) COUNCILMEMBERS; AUTHORIZING THAT THE ELECTION SHALL BE HELD JOINTLY WITH GALVESTON COUNTY; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO SAID ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEMAH, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That in accordance with the general laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, a General Municipal Election is hereby called and ordered for the first Saturday in May, 2018, the same being the 5th day of said month, at which election all qualified voters of the City may vote for the purpose of electing the following officials of the City:

GENERAL ELECTION

Council Member Position No. 1

Council Member Position No. 3

Council Member Position No. 5

SECTION 2: That all candidates at the election to be held on the first Saturday in May, 2018 for the above mentioned offices file their application to become candidates with the City Secretary of the City at City Hall, 1401 Highway 146, Kemah, Texas not later than 5:00 p.m. on February 16, 2018 (the seventy-eighth day before the election) and that all of said applications shall be on a form as prescribed by Section 141.031 of the Election Code of the State of Texas.

The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing by the City Secretary as provided by Section 52.094 of the Election Code.

SECTION 4: That the City has only one election precinct, and said elections shall be held in accordance with a JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT between the City and Galveston County. Galveston County owns an electronic voting system that has been approved by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Texas Election Code and the City shall use the County's Voting System in its elections and compensate the County for such use and share in certain other expenses connected with elections in accordance with applicable provisions of Chapters 31 and 271 of the Texas Election Code, as amended.

SECTION 5: That the form of the ballot shall be provided by GALVESTON COUNTY under the terms of the JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT. The ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Election Code so voters may cast their ballots for a single candidate for each Council Position.

SECTION 6: That the early voting clerk shall be the Galveston County Clerk. Early Voting by personal appearance shall be conducted by Galveston County at designated early branch polling locations throughout the County beginning April 23-27, 2018 (8:00 am – 5:00 pm) and April 30-May 1, 2018 (7:00 am – 7:00 pm). During the period of early voting, Kemah residents may vote at any Galveston County branch polling place. The main early voting location for early voting is the Galveston County Court House at 722 Moody Avenue, Galveston Texas and the local early voting location will be Jimmie Walker Community Center at 800 Harris Avenue, Kemah Texas.

SECTION 7: Applications for ballot by mail can be requested by calling the Galveston County Elections Division at 409-770-5108. Applications can also be obtained through the County's website: http://www.galvestonvotes.org.

Completed applications to vote by mail shall be submitted:

By Mail to:

Attn: Ballots by Mail
C/O Dwight Sullivan
Galveston County Clerk
P.O. Box 17253
Galveston, TX 77552-7253

Or by FAX to (409) 765-3249

Or by email to: absenteeballotapplications@co.galveston.tx.us.

SECTION 8: That on the day of said election, May 5, 2018 (7:00 am – 7:00 pm), voting shall be held at the local polling place which shall be Jimmie Walker Community Center, 800 Harris Ave, Kemah, Texas, and at all Galveston County branch locations.

SECTION 9: That the election shall be held and the returns thereof shall be provided by Galveston County to the City and canvassed in accordance with the general laws pertaining to municipal elections and in accordance with the requirements of the Election Code of the State of Texas.

SECTION 10: That notice of the election hereby ordered and called shall be given in accordance with the provision of the TEXAS ELECTION CODE and returns of such notice shall be made as provided in such Code. Notice of the Elections, including a Spanish translation thereof, will be published at least once in a newspaper published in Galveston County on or after April 5, 2018 and on or before April 25, 2018 and will be posted on the bulletin board at City Hall on or before April 5, 2018.

SECTION 11: This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and approval.

SECTION 12: That should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase contained in this resolution be held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this resolution, but in all respects said remaining portion shall be and remain in full force and effect.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED:

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED ON this 14th day of February, 2018.

CARL A. JOINER, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Chilcote, City Secretary