

**ORDINANCE NO. 2005-03
ORDERING CITY OFFICERS' ELECTION
TO BE HELD ON MAY 7, 2005**

AN ORDINANCE AND ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR THE CITY OFFICERS' ELECTION IN SHOREACRES, TEXAS ON MAY 7, 2005.

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas provide that on May 7, 2005, there shall be elected three (3) Aldermen-at-Large, all for two year terms for the City of Shoreacres, Texas; and

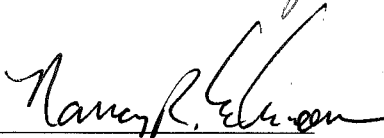
WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas further provide that the Election Code of the State of Texas is applicable to said election, and in order to comply with such Code, an Ordinance and Order shall be passed establishing procedures to be followed in said election and designating the voting place for said election; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOREACRES, TEXAS:


1. The City Officers' Election shall be held on Saturday, May 7, 2005 at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shoreacres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas and the entire City of Shoreacres shall constitute one election precinct for said election. The polls on election day shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
2. All independent declared candidates for the election to be held on May 7, 2005 for the above mentioned offices shall file their application to become candidates with the City Secretary or her designee at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shoreacres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas beginning February 7, 2005 at 7:30 a.m. and continuing during regular office hours **until Monday, March 7, 2005 at 5:00 p.m.** No applications for declared candidates shall be accepted after that date and time. Such applications shall be in accordance with State Law.
3. All independent undeclared candidates (write-in candidates) for the election to be held on May 7, 2005 for the above mentioned offices shall file their applications to become candidates with the City Secretary or her designee at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shoreacres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas beginning February 7, 2005 at 7:30 a.m. and continuing during regular office hours **until Monday, March 7, 2005 at 5:00 p.m.** No applications for write-in candidates shall be accepted after that date and time. Such applications shall be in accordance with State Law.
4. The City Secretary is hereby authorized and instructed to provide and furnish all necessary election supplies to conduct such election to the appointed Presiding Judge. Voting at such election shall be on paper ballots prepared in conformance with the Texas Election Code.
5. The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing to be held by the City Secretary as provided by the Election Code. The drawing shall take place on Wednesday, March 9, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. at Shoreacres City Hall.

6. Robin Eldridge is hereby appointed Clerk for Early Voting and Brenda Koppen is hereby appointed Alternate Early Voting Clerk. Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Wednesday, April 20, 2005 at 7:30 a.m. and shall continue during regular office hours until Tuesday, May 3, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. (Regular Office Hours are 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and from 7:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Friday.) Early voting by personal appearance shall take place at Shoreacres City Hall, 601 Shoreacres Boulevard, Shoreacres, Texas 77571, which is also the address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent.
7. Early votes shall be canvassed by the Early Balloting Board in accordance with the Texas Election Code. The appointed Presiding Judge at the polling place shall serve as the Presiding Judge of the Early Balloting Board with two (2) clerks serving at the polling place making up the other members of the board.
8. The Election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code and only qualified resident voters of the City of Shoreacres shall be eligible to vote at said election.
9. The Mayor shall give notice of this election in accordance with the Texas Election Code and Article 29e, Vernon's Revised Civil Statutes and all necessary orders, writs and returns for said election shall be issued by the proper authority(ies).
10. In accordance with the order of the City Council, the Acting City Secretary has posted written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting in which this ordinance was passed on the bulletin board outside of City Hall, a place readily accessible to the public. Such notice has been continuously posted for 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of such meeting.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 24th day of January, 2005.


Nancy Edmonson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Robin Eldridge, Acting City Secretary