

RESOLUTION No. R-2014-3

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AND ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURES FOR A
GENERAL ELECTION AND
A CONCURRENT SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A COUNCIL VACANCY
FOR BASTROP, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas and the City of Bastrop, provide that on **May 10, 2014** there shall be elected the following officials for the City at a general election:

**Mayor - Council Member at Large, for a Term of 3 years.
Place 3 - Council Member at Large, for a Term of 3 years.
and,**

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas and the City of Bastrop, provide that on **May 10, 2014** there shall be elected the following official for the City, at a special election, which will be held concurrently with the general election:

**Place 5 - Council Member at Large, for the remainder of an unexpired Term of 2 years only. [A term of less than 3 years, due to the automatic resignation of the Place 5 sitting council member.]
and,**

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas further provide that the Election Code of the State of Texas is applicable to the elections, and in order to comply with said Code, a resolution shall be passed establishing the procedures to be followed in the elections, and designating the voting places for the elections.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

That all candidates, for the general and special elections to be held concurrently on the second Saturday in **May 2014 (i.e., May 10, 2014)** for the above mentioned City offices, shall file their application to become candidates with the City Secretary of the City of Bastrop, City Hall, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602 on or before **5:00 P.M. on February 28, 2014**, the seventy-first (71st) day before the elections, and that all of the 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 for the general election shall be determined by a drawing by the Bastrop City Secretary as provided by Section 52.094 of the Election Code.

This City has four (4) election precincts and the elections shall be held at the following location:

- 1. For Election Precincts 1001, 1002, 1003, 2009 and 2011 (including all of the area within the boundaries of the Bastrop City limits) the election polling place shall be at Bastrop ISD Service Center, located at 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas.**

The County Elections Administrator is hereby authorized and instructed to provide and furnish all necessary election supplies to conduct the elections. Voting at such elections shall be upon paper ballots prepared in conformity to the Texas Election Code.

Section 61.012 of the Texas Election Code requires that the Bastrop City Council must provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in a Texas election on or after January 1, 2006. This system must comply with state and federal laws setting the requirements for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot.

The Office of the Texas Secretary of State has certified that the ES&S's AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal version 1.0 is an accessible voting system that may legally be used in Texas elections.

Sections 123.032 and 123.035 of the Texas Election Code authorize the acquisition of voting systems by local political subdivisions and further mandate certain minimum requirements for contracts relating to the acquisition of voting of such voting systems.

As chief elections officer of the Bastrop City Council, the Bastrop Council Elections Administrator shall provide at least one ES&S AutoMARK Voter Assist Terminal version 1.0 in each polling place in every polling location used to conduct any election ordered on or after January 1, 2006.

The following named persons are hereby appointed officers for the general and concurrent special elections:

For Elections Precincts 1001, 1002, 1003, 2009 & 2011– P.K. Barnett shall serve as Presiding Judge;

For Elections Precincts 1001, 1002, 1003, 2009 & 2011 – Vickie Deland shall serve as Alternate Presiding Judge;

The clerks for the election will be appointed by the Presiding Judge, in a number not to exceed six (6) clerks.

The polls at the above designated polling place shall be open on the Election Day from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Bridgette Escobedo is hereby appointed Clerk for Early Voting. The Main Early Voting location for the above designated election shall be at Bastrop ISD Service Center, 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas, and this place shall remain open for at least eight (8) hours on each day for early voting, which is not on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official State holiday, beginning on April 29, 2013 the twelfth (12th) day before the election and continuing through May 7, 2013, the fourth (4th) day preceding the date of the elections. The early voting location shall remain open each weekday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The of early voting location shall remain open on Friday, May 3, 2013 and Tuesday, May 7, 2013 for 12 hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Branch early voting locations are: 1) Bastrop Intermediate School, 509 Old Austin Hwy, Bastrop, Texas; 2) Cedar Creek Middle School, 125 Voss Pkwy, Cedar Creek, Texas; 3) Red Rock Elementary School,

2401 FM 20, Red Rock, Texas; 4) Lost Pines Elementary School, 151 Tiger Woods Dr., Bastrop, Texas; and 5) Cedar Creek High, 793 Union Chapel, Cedar Creek, Texas. These branch early voting locations shall remain open each weekday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Ballot applications and ballots voted by mail should be addressed to the Early Voting Clerk, Bridgette Escobedo, Bastrop County Elections Administrator, 804 Pecan Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 3, 2013, the eighth (8th) day before the elections.

For Elections Precincts 1001, 1002, 1003, 2009 and 2011, Staci Calvert is hereby appointed as Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board. In accordance with Section 87.0021 et seq. of the Texas Election Code the presiding judge shall appoint at least two (2) other members to the Early Voting Ballot Board and shall process early voting results in accordance with the Texas Election Code.


The Presiding Judge will receive compensation at the rate of \$10.00 per hour. The Alternate Presiding Judge and Clerks will receive compensation at the rate of \$8.00 per hour. The Presiding Judge will receive an additional \$25.00 for picking up the election supplies prior to election to election day and for returning the supplies after the polls close.

Both the general and the concurrent special elections shall be held in accordance with the Election Code of this State and only resident qualified voters of the City shall be eligible to vote at the elections.

The Mayor shall give notice of this election in accordance with the terms and provisions of Sections 4.004, 83.010, 85.004, and 85.007 of the Election Code, and all necessary orders and writs for the elections shall be issued by the proper authority. Returns of the elections shall be made to the City Council immediately after the closing of the polls.

It is further found and determined that in accordance with the order of this governing body, the City Secretary will post notice of the date to hold the drawing for a place on the ballot on the bulletin board located in the City Hall, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and the notice will be posted and remain posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting. A copy of the return of the posting shall be attached to the minutes of this meeting and shall be made a part thereof for all intents and purposes.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 11th day of February 2014.


Terry Orr
Mayor of Bastrop

ATTEST:


Elizabeth Minerva Lopez, City Secretary