

**CITY OF THORNDALE
RESOLUTION NO. 24-01**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GENERAL (REGULAR) MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON **MAY 4, 2024**, FOR THE PURPOSE OF **ELECTING THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS** BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF THORNDALE, TEXAS; AUTHORIZING A JOINT ELECTION WITH THORNDALE ISD TO BE HELD ON **MAY 4, 2024**; AUTHORIZING THE CITY SECRETARY TO ARRANGE AN EQUITABLE BASIS FOR SHARING THE COSTS OF THE JOINT ELECTION; ESTABLISHING PAY RATES FOR ELECTION WORKERS; PROVIDING NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF MILAM COUNTY VOTING MACHINES; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THORNDALE:

Section 1. That a general (regular) municipal election is hereby ordered to be held on the **4th day of May, 2024**, for the purpose of **electing three council members** by the qualified voters of the City of Thorndale.

Section 2. That the election be held jointly with the Thorndale ISD, pursuant to Section 271, Texas Election Code to minimize expenses and encourage greater voter participation, and that the mayor be authorized to sign an Interlocal Agreement for said joint election. The costs of said election are to be shared by the two entities and the City Secretary is authorized to arrange the City's share of said costs on a fair and equitable basis.

Section 3. That the Thorndale ISD Secretary, Amber Robinson shall serve as Early Voting Clerk for the City of Thorndale's General Election.

Section 4. The City Secretary is expressly authorized to obtain election supplies and equipment required by law and necessary to conduct said election.

Section 5. The office of the City Secretary shall perform all duties normally performed by the County Clerk in general elections with respect to early voting, giving notice of the election and preparing the official ballots.

Section 6. The voting location for the joint election of said City and School shall be at the Thorndale Senior Citizen's Center, 200 S Cornelius, Thorndale, Texas. The polls for said election shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 7. The Election Officers shall be as follows:

Presiding Judge -	Judy Jordan
Alternate Judge -	Nell Caffey

In addition to these appointments, the presiding judge may appoint two clerks to assist in said election, provided however, that at least one of the clerks is fluent in the Spanish language. All judges and appointed clerks shall serve as the Early Voting Ballot Board.

Section 8. The judges and clerks shall be compensated at the rate of fifteen dollars an hour (\$15.00) per hour. No judge or clerk shall be paid for more than one hour of work before the polls open and no period of time subsequent to two hours after voting is concluded by all voters offering themselves for voting during regular voting hours.

Section 9. The Milam County Clerk's Office, in Cameron, Texas is hereby established as the Central Counting Station where their equipment shall be used for early voting, Election Day voting, receive and tabulate votes and ballots cast in said election.

Section 10. Early voting shall be conducted by the election officer at Thorndale Independent School District Administration Building, 300 North Main Street, Thorndale, Texas. The election officer may appoint election clerks to assist with early voting duties. Early voting by personal appearance for the election shall commence on April 22, 2024 and end on April 30, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each weekday.

Section 11. That the mayor is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Kevin Terry to perform technical assistance and support for the May 4, 2024 Election.

Section 12. That the mayor is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Milam County for use of Election Equipment to program ballots and tabulate results for the May 4, 2024 Election.

Section 13. 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.

Section 14. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this, the 14th day of February, 2024, by a vote of (ayes) 4 to _____ (nays) to _____ (abstentions) of the City Council of Thorndale, Texas.


George Galbreath Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:


City Secretary Stacy Irwin

