A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ORDERING A MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2024, FOR THE PURPOSE OF THREE (3) CITY COUNCILMEMBERS, ONE (1) FOR PLACE TWO (2), FROM PRECINCT NUMBER TWO (2); ONE (1) COUNCILMEMBER FOR PLACE FOUR (4) FROM PRECINCT NUMBER FOUR (4); AND ONE COUNCILMEMBER FOR PLACE SIX (6), FROM PRECINCT NUMBER SIX (6) ALL PRECINCTS FOR REGULAR TWO (2) YEAR TERMS; DESIGNATING THE CITY SECRETARY AS THE EARLY VOTING CLERK; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING; ESTABLISHING LOCATION, DAYS AND TIMES FOR EARLY VOTING TO BE CONDUCTED; DESIGNATING WHERE APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOT BY MAIL SHOULD BE MAILED AND ESTABLISHING THE LOCATION, DAY AND TIME WHERE ELECTION DAY WILL BE CONDUCTED; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF VOTING MACHINES; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HILLSBORO, TEXAS

Section 1. That the municipal election is hereby <u>ordered</u> to be held on the 4th day of May, 2024 for the purpose of electing three (3) Councilmembers:

- One (1) Councilmember, Place Two (2), Precinct #2
- One (1) Councilmember, Place Four (4, Precinct #4
- One (1) Councilmember, Place Six (6) at-large, Precinct #6

Section 2. Jasmine Guy, the City Secretary, shall serve as Early Voting Clerk. Ms. Guy's official mailing address is:

Jasmine Guy P. O. Box 568 (214 E. Elm Street) Hillsboro, Texas 76645

City Internet Website - <u>www.hillsborotx.org</u> (for general election information). Phone Number –(254) 582-3271.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to Jasmine Guy at the address set out above or scanned with an original signature and emailed to iguy@hillsborotx.org Regardless of method of delivery, last day to accept application by mail for a ballot to be voted by mail must be received no later than the close of business at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Section 3. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted beginning Monday, April 22, 2024 and continuing through Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at the following location in the

City of Hillsboro. A voter entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance may vote at the following location:

- (a) Main Early Voting Polling Place:
 Historic City Hall
 127 E. Franklin Street
 Hillsboro, Texas 76645
- (b) Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the above location on the following dates and times:

April 22nd – April 30th 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Section 4. Election Day Central Polling Place:

- (a) Hillsboro Junior High Gym 210 E. Walnut St. Hillsboro, Texas 76645
- (b) May 4, 2024 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 5. The City Secretary is directed to provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling location in accordance with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act; and provide a practical and effective means for voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. The Office of the Texas Secretary of State has certified that the Hart Verity Version 2.4 and the components of the equipment which will be provided through an agreement with Hill County Elections Office, is an accessible voting system that may be legally used in Texas elections.

Section 6. The Order of Election is the official action required by a governing body to hold an election and is signed by the governing body, (which is reflected by a vote recorded in the minutes of the meeting.) The Mayor is authorized to sign the Order of Election and Notice of Election. The Order of Election and Notice of Election, shall be provided in both English and Spanish. Both shall be posted on the city website and bulletin board at the City Administration Building, used for posting of notices of meetings of the City Council not later than the twenty-first (21st) day before election day and remain posted through election day. The Notice of Election shall be published in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Further, the <u>Notice of Election</u> (a separate document from the Order of Election- signed by the Mayor or Presiding Officer) is attached here.

Section 7. Should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of 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 8. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hillsboro, Texas on the 6th day of February, 2024

M. Scott Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jasmine Guy, City Secretary