

RESOLUTION NO. 464-25

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, ORDERING
A SPECIAL ELECTION FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025 TO
FILL A VACANCY IN PLACE 2 OF THE CITY COUNCIL;
ESTABLISHING ELECTION PROCEDURES; AND PROVIDING
FOR RELATED MATTERS**

ORDER AND NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

**THE STATE OF TEXAS)(
THE COUNTY OF MEDINA)(
THE CITY OF HONDO)(**

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in Place 2 of the City Council of the City of Hondo, Texas (the “City”) by reason of resignation submitted on August 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.05 (5) of the City Charter and the Texas Constitution require that if there is more than one year left in a term of a councilmember, a vacancy must be filled by an election of the voters; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Constitution, the Texas Election Code, and the City Charter are applicable to said election, and in order to comply with applicable laws, an Order is required to call the special election and establish procedures consistent with the Constitution, the Election Code, and the Charter;

WHEREAS, the Texas Election Code, Section 201.052, provides that a special election to fill a vacancy shall be held on the first authorized uniform election date occurring on or after the 46th day after the election is ordered; and;

WHEREAS, November 4, 2025, is the first authorized uniform election date occurring on or after the 46th day after the date of this Order; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the holding of the special election to fill the unexpired term of City Council Member Place 2 on November 4, 2025, is in the best interest of the citizens of Hondo; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has already called a Special Election to be held on November 4, 2025, to submit propositions on amendments to the City of Hondo City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City has contracted with Medina County to conduct the City's Charter election and will add this Special Election to the contract, pursuant to *Chapter 31, Tex. Elec. Code*, and *Chapter 791, Tex. Gov't Code* (the “Election Agreement” or “contract”);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1. A special election shall be held on Saturday, November 4, 2025, to fill the unexpired term of Councilmember, Place 2, of the City Council of the City of Hondo, Texas.

SECTION 2. Candidates to fill the unexpired term of Councilmember, Place 2, shall file their applications no later than 5:00 p.m., September 3, 2025. All candidates for the office to be filled in the election shall file their application to become candidates with the City Secretary, 1101 16th Street, Hondo, Texas 78861. All applications for candidacy shall be on a form as prescribed by the *Tex. Elec. Code*. The Order in which the names of the candidates for each office are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing conducted by the City Secretary at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, September 4, 2025 at City Hall Council Chambers, 1600 Avenue M, Hondo, Texas.

SECTION 3. Notice of the election shall be given and the election shall be held in compliance with the provisions of the *Tex. Elec. Code* and the City Charter in all respects. The ballots for the election shall comply with the *Tex. Elec. Code* and be in the form provided by the City to the Medina County Election Officer for use on the voting devices and ballots used by Medina County.

SECTION 4. Lupe C. Torres, Medina County Elections Administrator and his employees and appointees, and the election judges, alternate judges and clerks properly appointed for the election, shall hold and conduct the election in the manner provided by the Election Agreement, the City Charter, and the law governing the holding of special elections; and the official ballots, together with such other election materials as are required by the *Tex. Elec. Code*, shall be prepared in both the English and Spanish languages and shall contain such provisions, markings and language as is required by law.

SECTION 5. The City Council of the City of Hondo authorizes the Mayor to sign the order calling the Special Election and any subsequent orders adjusting the polling locations, dates and times that are subject to change due to agreements with the Medina County Elections Department and other joint election agreements up until the final posting deadline of such notice pursuant Texas Election Code ("Code") § 4.003(a)(b) and (c).

SECTION 6. Early voting, both by personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted by the Medina County Election Officer, who is designated and appointed as the Early Voting Clerk, in accordance with the *Tex. Elec. Code*. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at places and locations authorized by state law and the designated by the Medina County Election Officer. Early voting shall commence Monday, October 20, 2025, and last day of Early Voting will be Friday, October 31, 2025, with dates and times to be determined by the Medina County Elections Department and will be posted accordingly.

SECTION 7. The City Secretary is authorized to give or cause to be given notices required for the election, and to take such other and further action as is required to conduct the election in compliance with the City Charter and the *Tex. Elec. Code*; provided that, pursuant to the Election Agreement between Medina County and the City, the Medina County Election Officer shall have the duty and be responsible for organizing and conducting the election in compliance with the City Charter and the *Tex. Elec. Code*; and for providing all services specified to be provided in the Election Agreement.

SECTION 8. City Council has adopted a Resolution calling for this Special Election and the City has met its legal requirements for calling an election. The Mayor and the City Secretary of the City, in consultation with its City Attorney, are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code in carrying out and conducting the Special Election, whether or not expressly authorized herein.

SECTION 9. It is hereby officially found and determined that this meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, *Chapter 551, Texas Government Code*.

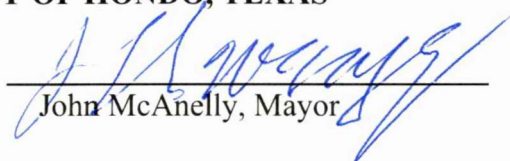
SECTION 10. Severability. That should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase contained in this ordinance be held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance, but in all respects said remaining portion shall be and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in force and effect from and after the date of its adoption, and it is so ordained.

PASSED, RESOLVED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of August, 2025 by 4 (ayes) to 0 (nays) with 0 abstentions by a vote of the City Council of the City of Hondo.



CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS


John McAnelly, Mayor

ATTEST:


Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary