

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA JOYA, TEXAS, CALLING A GENERAL ELECTION FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2021, TO BE PARTICIPATED IN BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF LA JOYA, TEXAS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FILLING TWO (2) VACANT SEATS FOR PLACE ONE (1) AND PLACE THREE (3) FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE NOVEMBER, 2025; APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE IVOTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING; ESTABLISHING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS OF THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE ON THE FINAL TWO DAYS OF EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

§ **WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Commissioners in their capacity as City Officials and in compliance with the Texas Election Code, may call an election; and

§ **WHEREAS**, the vacant seats for Two (2) City Commissioners requires for the City Council of the City of La Joya to order a General Election for upcoming November 2, 2021.

**NOW THEREFORE**, Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of La Joya that;

**Section 1.** In accordance with the Texas Election Code, the Texas Local Government Code, Constitution of the State of Texas, and general State laws, a General Election is hereby called and ordered for the first Tuesday in November 2021; and

**Section 2** That a General Municipal Election is hereby ordered to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2021, for the purpose of electing the following city officers:

**Two Vacant Seats for Place One (1) and Place Three (3)**

**Section 3.** The hours during which the polling places for each voting precinct are to be open on Election Day shall be from 7 :00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m.

**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.** iVotronic Voting System (Direct Recording Electronic {DRE}) equipment shall be used for voting at the foregoing election precincts and electronic counting devices and equipment shall be used for counting the ballots at said election.

**Section 6. Polling Places; Voting Precincts.** The boundaries of each voting precinct and the polling place for each voting precinct for the Election are as follows:

**Polling Place 1 -**

Boundaries:	City Limits of La Joya
Polling Place:	<u>For Precinct No 11, 131, 197, 198, 257</u>

**SECTION 7: Early Voting Day, dates, hours and polling places:** Early Voting shall commence on Monday, October 18, 2021 and terminate on Friday, October 29, 2021. The main polling place for early voting by personal appearance shall be at:

If the Deputy Early Voting Clerk or any clerk appointed hereby to assist the Early Voting Clerk is an employee of the City of La Joya, Texas, then such person shall serve as clerk without additional compensation unless the clerk is required to work on a day which is not a regular city workday or during hours which are not regular city workday hours. In this latter case, the clerk shall be compensated at the person's regular hourly rate for the hours worked that are not part of a regular city work day, properly adjusted for overtime or holiday pay, if applicable.

<u>Day and Date</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Monday, October 18, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 19, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 20, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 21, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 22, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 23, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 24, 2021	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Monday, October 25, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 26, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 27, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 28, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 29, 2021	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**SECTION 8: Early Voting Clerk; Application for Ballot Voted by Mail.**

The mailing and physical address of the Early Voting Clerk for the Election where an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is to be submitted shall be as follows:

Early Voting Clerk  
Hidalgo County Elections  
213 S. Closner Blvd.  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

Or request an application by phone from City Hall: Please contact the City Secretary's Office at 956-581-7002, or FAX 956/580-7000, or E-mail: [cityoflajoya@aol.com](mailto:cityoflajoya@aol.com)

**Section 9: Notice of Election:** Notice of the Election shall be given in the manner prescribed by the Texas Election Code.

**Section 10:** The election materials as outlined in Section 272.005, Texas Election

Code, shall be printed in both English and Spanish for use at the polling places and for early voting for said election.

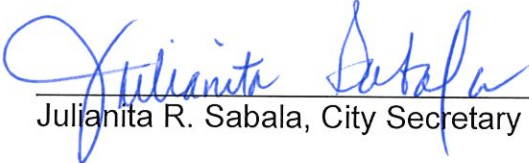
**Section 11: Authorized to Execute:** The Mayor is authorized to execute, and the City Clerk is authorized to attest this Election Order on behalf of the City Commissioners. And the Mayor is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

**Section 12:** Whereas, this Ordinance shall be effective on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021, in accordance with applicable law.

**CONSIDERED, PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Commissioners of the City of La Joya, Texas, at a special called meeting held in La Joya Municipal Building on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July 2021, held in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 552

**ATTEST:**

**CITY OF LA JOYA**

  
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Julianita R. Sabala, City Secretary

  
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Mayor Isidro Casanova

