

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-001

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KARNES CITY, TEXAS PROVIDING NOTICE AND ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2026 FOR THE ELECTION OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT #2 AND COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT #4 TO SERVE A THREE YEAR TERM; DESIGNATING THE MAIN EARLY VOTING PLACE FOR SUCH ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR AN ORDER AND NOTICE OF SUCH GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF DIRECT RECORDING ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas provide that a General Election shall be held annually for the election of City Officers, and

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas further provide that the Election Code of the State of Texas is applicable to said elections, and in order to comply with said Code, a resolution and order should be passed ordering said elections; and

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2019, the city council approved Ordinance No. 2019-005, establishing staggered three-year terms for mayor and all city council (the "Election Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Election Ordinance, the city held an election May 2, 2026, for Mayor, Councilmember District #2, and Councilmember District #4 for a three-year term.

ELECTION ORDER

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Karnes City, pursuant to Section 3.005(a) of the Texas Election Code, do hereby order an election to be held in the City of Karnes City, Texas on May 2, 2026, such day being the first Saturday in May 2026, at which election the following officers shall be elected by the qualified voters of the City of Karnes City, Texas:

POSITIONS:

**MAYOR (THREE-YEAR TERM)
CITY COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 2 (THREE-YEAR TERM)
CITY COUNCILMEMBER, DISTRICT 4 (THREE-YEAR TERM)**

SECTION 2. That at said election each of the foregoing named positions shall be voted upon separately and that the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for each said position shall be elected to such office.

SECTION 3. That qualified persons desiring to be candidates in the aforementioned places shall file for election as such candidates with the City Secretary, 1107 N. HWY 123, Karnes

City, Texas, beginning at 8:00 a.m. on the 14th day of January 2026 and not later than 5:00 p.m. on the 13th day of February 2026.

SECTION 4. Voting on Election Day and during early voting shall be done using the Hart Voting System on Direct Record Election machines with ballot tabulation performed by Karnes County Elections Administrator. Voting by Mail shall be done on paper ballot.

SECTION 5. The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing to be conducted by the City Secretary at 10:00 a.m., on Monday, February 20, 2026, at Karnes City, City Hall Council Chambers, 1007 N. HWY 123, Karnes City, Texas, as provided by Section 52.094 of the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 6. The polling place designated for Karnes City voting for the May 2, 2026, General Election shall be the City Hall located at 1007 N. HWY 123, Karnes City, Texas and such polling place shall be open on said Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

SECTION 7. The polling place designated for Karnes City Early Voting for the May 2, 2026, General Election shall be the Karnes County Elections Office located at 210 W. Calvert, Ste. 140, Karnes City, Texas. Early Voting will be conducted beginning on Monday, April 20th and ending on Friday, April 24, 2026, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. On Monday, April 27, 2026, and Tuesday April 28, 2026, early voting will be conducted between the hours of 7:00a.m. and 7:00p.m.

SECTION 8. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Karnes County Elections Administrator, 210 W. Calvert Avenue, Ste. 140, Karnes City, Texas 78118. Applications for ballots by mail must be received by the Elections Administrator no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, 2025.

SECTION 9. Beth Montalvo, Karnes County Elections Administrator, is designated as the election officer to conduct the General Election of May 2, 2026, and Early Voting for the General Election. She shall appoint a sufficient number of clerks to assist in the proper conduct of the election and other persons to serve with her as Early Voting Ballot Board.

SECTION 10. That notice of the May 2, 2026, General Election of the City of Karnes City shall be posted and published in accordance with the Election Code of the State of Texas.

SECTION 11. The Mayor is authorized to enter into a contract with the County Elections Administrator to conduct the election ordered herein and committing to pay the fee charged by the Karnes County Elections Administrator for such services. The Mayor is furthermore authorized to enter into a contract for the conduct of a joint election with other governmental entities in Karnes County, Texas.

SECTION 12. That the returns of said election be made in accordance with the State Election Code and shall be canvassed by the City Council at a special City Council Meeting at a time to be set by Mayor in accordance with the Election Code of the State of Texas.

ELECTION NOTICE

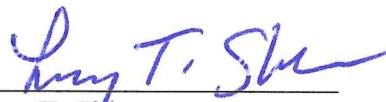
Notice of the Election, stating in substance the contents of this Order, shall be published one time in the English and Spanish languages, in a newspaper published within the City's territory at least 10 days and no more than 30 days before the Election and as otherwise may be required by the Texas Election Code. Notice of the Election shall also be posted on the bulletin board used by the City to post notices of the City's meetings no later than the 21st day before the Election.

The City Secretary shall serve a duly certified copy of this Election Order and Notice upon the Presiding Judge not later than the seventh day after the signing of this Election Order and Notice of General City Election or the 15th day before the General City Election, whichever is later.

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

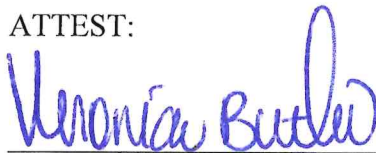
This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27th day of January 2026.



Leroy T. Skloss
Mayor

ATTEST:



Veronica Butler
City Manager/Secretary

