



ORDER OF ELECTION

I. RECITALS

WHEREAS, on or about the January 27, 2020, Mayor Robert Deviney was presented with that certain "*Petition for Disannexation from the City of Martindale*" ("the Petition"¹) requesting that the area described in the Petition be declared no longer part of the City of Martindale, Texas; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Petition meets the requirements of the law.

II. ORDER

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, that the City of Martindale, Texas will hold an election on May 2, 2020 on question as to whether or not the area described in the Petition will be declared no longer part of the City of Martindale, Texas; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the question that will be presented on the ballot shall read as follows

FOR / AGAINST: Dis-annexation of Butterfly Meadows and a portion of Hopson Ranch Estates from the City of Martindale, Caldwell County, Texas.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Election Day polling places for this election are designated pursuant to Section 271.003 of the Texas Election Code, and the following locations can most adequately and conveniently serve the voters in this election:

<u>Polling Location</u>	<u>Precincts</u>
City Hall Meeting Room 407 Main Street Martindale, Texas	301 & 302

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Presiding Election Judge and the Alternate Presiding Election Judge will be appointed by Pamela Ohlendorf, Elections Administrator (the "Administrator"), Caldwell County, in a timely manner in accordance with the Election Code.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Pamela Ohlendorf, Elections Administrator (the "Administrator"), is designated as the Early Voting Clerk for the election. Early voting by personal appearance will commence on April 20, 2020 and will continue until April 28, 2020. On at least two weekdays during the early voting period, the locations for early voting will be open for at least 12 hours as mandated by state law. There will be 1 main location for early voting by personal appearance, for precinct 301 and 302, location is the **City Hall Meeting Room, 407 Main Street, Martindale, Texas**.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that The Caldwell County Elections Administrator will be responsible for the Early Voting applications and ballots. Applications for early voting by mail may

¹ See Exhibit A
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be delivered to **Caldwell County Elections Administrator, 1403-C Blackjack Street, Lockhart, Texas, 78644**, and not earlier than January 1, 2020, and not later than close of business on March 18, 2020 if delivered in person, and April 20, 2020 if delivered by mail. Early voting ballots will be mailed to the Elections Administrator at the same address.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the official ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the Election Code so as to permit electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the proposition described in Section 1 above, which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

FOR / AGAINST: Dis-annexation of Butterfly Meadows and a portion of Hopson Ranch Estates from the City of Martindale, Caldwell County, Texas.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, all qualified voters of the City will be permitted to vote at this election, and, on the day of the election, each qualified voter will vote at the polling places designated for the Election Precinct in which he or she resides.

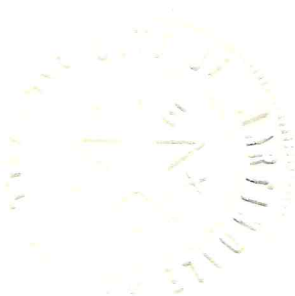
BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, direct recording electronic (DRE) voting devices will be used for voting at the election and election counting devices and equipment will be used for counting the ballots cast at the election.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, a proper notice of this election, including a Spanish translation thereof, will be posted not later than the 21st day before the election on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the City Council, and will also be published at least once not earlier than the 30th day not later than the 10th day before the election in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, all expenditures necessary for the conduct of this election, the purchase of materials therefore, and the employment of all election officials are hereby authorized and will be conducted in accordance with the Election Code.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, if any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Order and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances will nevertheless be valid.

ORDERED ON February 4th 2020.




Robert Deviney, Mayor