

**ORDINANCE NO. 1484-03-2021**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS RECEIVING CERTIFICATION OF THE CITY SECRETARY RELATING TO THE REGULAR GENERAL ELECTION CALLED FOR MAY 1, 2021 DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES; DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED TO BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND MAKING AN OPEN MEETING FINDING.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas has called for a Regular General Election in the City of Gainesville to be held on May 1, 2021, for the purpose of electing Council members for Wards 1, 2, 4 and Mayor, at large; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Secretary of the City has certified to the City Council that only one person has applied for a place on the ballot in Ward 1 and Ward 4 and that no one has applied for or qualified to be on a list of write-in candidates; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2.051 et seq., Texas Election Code, the City Council may cancel a portion of the election if the candidates whose names are to appear on the ballot in each ward is unopposed and may declare the results of the election.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, MEETING IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2021:**

**Section 1.      *Certificate of City Secretary.***

That the Certificate of the City Secretary relating to the Regular General Election of May 1, 2021 be hereby received and acknowledged by the City Council.

**Section 2.      *Determination of Un-opposed Status.***

That it is hereby found and determined that Carolyn Hendricks in Ward 1 and Ken Keeler in Ward 4 are the only candidates to have qualified for a place on the ballot of such election and no one has applied for or qualified as a write-in candidate pursuant to the requirements of the Election Code. Therefore, they are candidates unopposed for election to the position for which they have filed.

**Section 3.      *Declaration of Election to terms beginning May 2021.***

That the City Council does hereby declare the following individuals are duly elected to the following elected positions to terms of office that begin following official canvass of the May 1, 2021 election:

Carolyn Hendricks, Councilmember, Ward 1  
Ken Keeler, Councilmember, Ward 4

**Section 4.      *Open Meeting Finding.***

That it is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which time this Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by law, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, as required by Article 551.041, Texas Government Code.

**Section 5. Publication.**

Publication shall be made at least two times in the official publication of the City of Gainesville, after final passage, which publication shall contain the caption stating in substance the purpose of the Ordinance.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND CHARTER SUSPENSION**

**INTRODUCED AND READ FOR THE FIRST TIME BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE ON 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2021, AT WHICH TIME THE CHARTER REQUIREMENT OF THREE READINGS WAS SUSPENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

7 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT, 0 ABSTENTIONS



**JIM GOLDSWORTHY, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**



**DIANA ALCALA, CITY SECRETARY**

**ADOPTION**

**ADOPTED IN REGULAR SESSION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2021, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

7 AYES, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT, 0 ABSTENTIONS



**JIM GOLDSWORTHY, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**



**DIANA ALCALA, CITY SECRETARY**

