

ORDINANCE NO. 5148

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE CALLING AND ORDERING OF A GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2026, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A COUNCILMEMBER FOR WARD NO. 5 AND COUNCILMEMBER FOR WARD NO. 6, FOR THREE (3) YEAR TERMS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE NECESSARY NOTICES AND FIXING THE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of holding an election as provided in said Charter of the City of Lufkin, Texas for the election of a Councilmember of Ward No. 5 and a Councilmember of Ward No. 6 to be elected to serve three (3) year terms.

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

- Section 1.** That an election be held in the City of Lufkin, Texas on May 2nd, 2026, for the purpose of electing the following named officers for the ensuing terms: Councilmember of Ward No. 5 and Councilmember of Ward No. 6, each for a term of three (3) years.
- Section 2.** That the City Council and Mayor be hereby authorized to call said election, at the time, place and in the manner as provided per the Texas Election Code and the Charter of the City of Lufkin, Texas.
- Section 3.** Notice of such election, including a Spanish translation thereof, is to be given by causing notice to be published in the official newspaper of the City and posted on the City bulletin board and website that the polls shall be open to voters within the City who shall be entitled to vote in said election.
- Section 4.** Joint early voting for both Ward No. 5 and Ward No. 6 shall be conducted by personal appearance and by mail. The period for early voting by personal appearance shall be April 20th – 24th, 2026 and April 27th & 28th, 2026, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at Lufkin City Hall, 300 East Shepherd Avenue. The Early Voting Clerk for said elections shall be the City Secretary, who will be responsible for hiring and training of election workers as needed.
- Section 5.** Early voting by mail ballot shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code. The addresses of 300 East Shepherd Avenue, Room 145, Lufkin, Texas 75901 and/or P.O. Box 190, Lufkin, Texas 75902 shall be the Early Voting Clerk's address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent to the City.
- Section 6.** That said election is to be on Saturday, May 2nd, 2026, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. at two (2) polling places. Those persons residing in Ward No. 5 shall vote at Brookhollow Elementary School, 1009 Live Oak Lane. Those persons residing in Ward No. 6 shall vote at Kurth Memorial Library, 706 S Raguet Street.
- Section 7.** Those persons living in the respective wards must vote at the corresponding polling places. Those persons living in Ward No. 5 may vote for the Councilmember for Ward No. 5. Those persons living in Ward No. 6 may vote for the Councilmember for Ward No. 6.

Section 8. That said election be held in accordance with applicable provisions of the City of Lufkin Charter, Ordinances of the City of Lufkin, the Texas Election Code and the laws of the State of Texas.

Section 9. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after passage thereof, in accordance with the Charter of the City of Lufkin, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED on First Reading by the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas on this the 6th day of January 2026.



Mark Hicks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aimee Cloutier, City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED on Second Reading by the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas on this the 20th day of January 2026.



Mark Hicks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aimee Cloutier, City Secretary



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kristi C. Skillern, City Attorney