

ORDINANCE NO. 5154

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 2nd, 2026, GENERAL CITY ELECTION, ELECTED TO OFFICE; CANCELING THE ELECTIONS FOR A COUNCILMEMBER FOR WARD NO. FIVE (5) AND WARD NO. SIX (6) PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the General City Election was called for May 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing members to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Secretary has certified in writing that there is no at large, opposed race, that there are no propositions on the ballot, that no person has made a declaration of write-in candidacy, and that one (1) candidate on the ballot is unopposed for election to each office

WHEREAS, under these circumstances, Section 2.051 of the Texas Election Code authorizes the City Council to declare the candidates elected to office and cancel the election for Councilmember Ward No. 5 and Councilmember Ward No. 6.

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

Section 1. The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 2, 2026, General City Election, as sworn by the Certification of Unopposed Candidates, as attached to this Ordinance (Exhibit A), are declared elected to office, and shall be issued a certificate of election following the time the election would have been canvassed:

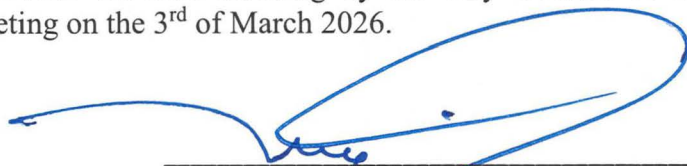
<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>
Jimmy Ford	Councilmember Ward No. 5
William Price	Councilmember Ward No. 6

Section 2. The May 2nd, 2026, General City Election for Councilmember Ward No. 5 and Ward No. 6 is hereby canceled, and the City Secretary is directed to cause a copy of this Ordinance to be posted on Election Day at the polling place(s) that would have been used in the election.

Section 3. It is declared to be the intent of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Ordinance is declared invalid by the judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, enacted them with the invalid portion.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED on First Reading by the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas at its regular meeting on the 3rd of March 2026.



Mark Hicks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aimee Cloutier, City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED on Second and Final Reading by the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas at its regular meeting on this the 17th day of March 2026.



Mark Hicks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aimee Cloutier, City Secretary



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kristi C. Skillern, City Attorney