ORDINANCE NO. 20261117-004

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A RUNOFF ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN ON DECEMBER 12, 2026, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR DISTRICTS 1, 3, AND 5; PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. A municipal runoff election shall be held in the City of Austin on December 12, 2026, in accordance with the provisions of Article II and Article III of the Austin City Charter and the laws of the State of Texas. At the election there shall be elected by majority vote of the qualified voters of District 1 a City Council Member for District 1. The candidates for District 1 shall meet all requirements for and shall be residents of District 1. There shall also be elected a City Council Member for District 3 by the majority vote of the qualified voters of District 3. The candidates for District 3 shall meet all requirements for and shall be residents of District 3. There shall also be elected a City Council Member for District 5 by the majority vote of the qualified voters of District 5. The candidates for District 5 shall meet all requirements for and shall be residents of District 5.

PART 2. The election shall be conducted between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The location of the main early voting polling place, the dates and hours for early voting, and the early voting clerk's official mailing address are provided in **Exhibit "A"**, attached and incorporated as a part of this ordinance.

PART 3. As specified in Resolution No. 20231019-006, the City adopts Travis County's electronic voting system for use in the election for early voting and voting conducted on election day in Travis County. The central counting station for Travis County is established at the Travis County Elections Division, 5501 Airport Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78751.

PART 4. Notice of the election shall be posted and published in accordance with state law. The notice shall be posted, in both English and Spanish, in the office of the City Clerk and at the City Hall notice kiosk not later than the 15th day before election day. Notice of the elections shall be published one time, in English and Spanish, not earlier than the 30th day before the date of the elections or later than the 10th day before the date of the elections, in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Austin.

PART 5. The Council finds that, because of the curtailed period for a runoff election and the desire of the Council to provide an opportunity for early voting, there is a need to immediately begin required preparations for this election. Such need constitutes an emergency, and the Council declares that an emergency exists. Because of this emergency, this ordinance takes effect immediately on its passage for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare.

PASSED AND APPROVED

November 17, 2026

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Kirk Watson
Mayor

APPROVED: Deborah Thomas
City Attorney

ATTEST: Erika Brady
City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Main Early Voting Locations,

Early Voting Dates and Hours,

Early Voting Clerk Mailing Address,

Email Address, Website, and Phone Number

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Main Early Voting Locations, Early Voting Dates and Hours, and Early Voting Clerk Mailing Address, Email Address, Website, and Phone Number
December 12, 2026 – Runoff Election

Main Early Voting Locations:

Travis County:

Address: Travis County Clerk's Office, 5501 Airport Blvd., Austin Texas
E-mail: elections@traviscountytx.gov
Website: https://votetravis.gov/
Phone number: 512-238-8683

Early Voting Dates:

Monday, November 30, 2026 – Tuesday, December 8, 2026

Designated Early Voting Schedule:

Travis County:

- Monday, November 30, 2026 – Tuesday, December 8, 2026 (7:00am-7:00pm)

Early Voting Clerk Mailing Addresses:

Ballots by Mail – Travis County
By Mail voters: P.O. Box 149325, Austin, Texas 78714-9325
By Contract Carriers/FedEx: 5501 Airport Blvd., Suite #100, Austin, Texas 78751

ADJUNTO A

Sitios Principales de la Votación Adelantada, Fechas y Horas de la Votación Adelantada, y Dirección Postal del/la Secretario/ia de la Votación Adelantada, Correo Electrónico, y Sitio Web
12 de diciembre de 2026 – Elección Secundaria

Sitios Principales de la Votación Adelantada:

Condado de Travis:

Dirección: Travis County Clerk's Office, 5501 Airport Blvd., Austin Texas
Correo Electrónico: elections@traviscountytx.gov
Sitio Web: https://votetravis.gov/
Número de Teléfono: 512-238-8683

Fechas de la Votación Adelantada:

Lunes, 30 de noviembre de 2026 – martes, 8 de diciembre de 2026

Horario Designado para la Votación Adelantada:

Condado de Travis:

- Lunes, 30 de noviembre de 2026 – martes, 8 de diciembre de 2026 (7:00am-7:00pm)

Dirección Postal del/la Secretario/ia de la Votación Adelantada:

Para Boletas por Correo-Condado de Travis
Enviadas por correo por los votantes: P.O. 149325, Austin, Texas 78714-9325
Enviadas usando transportista contratado/ Fedex: 5501 Airport Blvd., Suite #100, Austin, Texas 78751