City of Denton



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

CM: Sara Hensley

DATE: March 4, 2025

SUBJECT

Receive the certification from the City Secretary regarding the City of Denton Districts 1 and 4 Unopposed Candidates for the General Election to be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025.

BACKGROUND

Article III (Nominations and Elections), Section 3.01 (Municipal elections), of the Denton City Charter provides that "the regular election for the choice of members of the City Council as provided in Article II shall be held each year on the uniform election day for municipal elections in May established by the Election Code." That date is Saturday, May 3, 2025. Further, Section 3.05 (Regulation of Elections) requires that "all city elections shall be governed by the applicable provisions of the Election Code of the State of Texas, as now or hereafter amended."

On February 4, 2025, Ordinance No. 25-186 was adopted ordering the May 3, 2025 City Council election for City Council Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. The filing deadline for candidacy was Friday, February 14, 2025. Ms. Vicki Byrd was the only filer for District 1. Mr. Joe Holland was the only filer for District 4. The deadline to file a Declaration of Write-In Candidacy was Tuesday, February 18, 2025. No filings for write-in candidacy were received by that deadline. As a result, in District 1, Candidate Vicki Byrd is considered an unopposed candidate and in District 4, Candidate Joe Holland is considered an unopposed candidate.

Texas Election Code Section 2.052 states, "The authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared shall certify in writing that a candidate is unopposed for election to an office if, were the election held, only the votes cast for that candidate in the election for that office may be counted. (b) The certification shall be delivered to the governing body of the political subdivision as soon as possible after the filing deadlines for placement on the ballot and list of write-in candidates." Delivery of this certification will comply with the Texas Election Code.

This certification is provided in compliance with Texas Election Code Section 2.052(d) which states, "A certification described by Subsection (c) shall be delivered to the governing body of the political subdivision as soon as possible."

No action is required on this item. However, an ordinance cancelling the Districts 1 and 4 Elections are scheduled for consideration following this certification.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2 – Certifications of Unopposed Candidate

Exhibit 3 – Presentation

Respectfully submitted: Lauren Thoden City Secretary