

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-
EXHIBIT "A"

ELECTION ORDER

WHEREAS, Article XI, Section 11 of the Texas Constitution and Section 6 of Article III of the City Charter, as amended, require the City to hold a special election to fill a vacancy on the City Council within 120 days after the vacancy occurs; and

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2026, Council Member Tom Crews filed an application for a place on the ballot for Mayor while more than one year and 30 days remained in his current term as Council Member for Position 3; and

WHEREAS, under Article XI, Section 11(a) and Article XVI, Section 65(b) of the Texas Constitution, Council Member Crews automatically resigned from Council Position 3 upon filing for Mayor, thereby creating a legal vacancy in Council Position 3 on August 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the 120th day after August 4, 2026, is December 2, 2026, and Tuesday, November 3, 2026, is within the 120-day period as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that a special election should be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to elect a Council Member for Council Position 3 to serve the remainder of the unexpired term ending in November 2028; and

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of Texas and Section 4 of Article II of the City Charter, as amended, provide for a runoff election if no candidate receives the vote required for election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS, as follows:

Section 1. The special election to fill the vacancy in Council Position 3 is hereby called for Tuesday, November 3, 2026 (the "Special Election"). The successful candidate shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term ending in November 2028. The City Secretary is authorized and directed to prepare the ballot and to take all actions necessary to conduct the Special Election and, if necessary, the Runoff Election, in accordance with the City Charter, the Texas Constitution, the Texas Election Code, and this Election Order.

Section 2. A candidate for Council Position 3 shall file an application for a place on the Special Election ballot with the City Secretary at City Hall, 300 West Walker Street, League City, Texas 77573. An application may be filed only after adoption of this Election Order and must be received no later than 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2026. The City's normal business hours are Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Applications shall comply with Section 141.031 and other applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code (the "Code"). A filing fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be paid when the application is filed; however, in lieu of the filing fee, a candidate may submit a petition signed by twenty-five (25) registered voters of the City requesting that the candidate's name be placed on the ballot.

Section 3. A declaration of write-in candidacy for Council Position 3 must be filed with the City Secretary no later than 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2026, as provided by Section 201.054(g) of the Code. Only votes for write-in candidates whose names appear on the City Secretary's certified list of write-in candidates shall be counted, as provided by law. Gag votes and/or protest votes shall not be tallied on election night, as stipulated in Sections 146.051 through 146.055 of the Code.

Section 4. If no candidate shall receive a majority of all votes cast for such office at the Special Election as required by the City's home-rule Charter, a runoff election between the two (2) highest vote-getters for such office shall be held on Saturday, December 12, 2026 (the "Runoff Election"), as permitted by the Code.

Section 5. The order in which the names of the candidates for Council Position 3 are to be printed on the ballot for the Special Election or for the Runoff Election, if required, shall be determined by drawings by the City Secretary as provided by Section 52.094 of the Code. The City Secretary shall provide notice of such drawings as provided by Section 52.094 of the Code.

Section 6. The Special Election and the Runoff Election, if required (collectively, the "Elections"), shall be held under the provisions of the Charter of the City, the Texas Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas, and of this Ordinance. All qualified and registered voters residing in the City shall be allowed to vote at the Elections.

Section 7. Election Day locations within League City include: League City Civic Center, 400 W. Walker St., League City; and Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 East League City Pkwy, League City; and The Crossings, 255 Egret Bay Blvd, League City; and League City Annex, 174 Calder Dr. (Community Rm.), League City; and Public Works Operation Center, 1701 West League City Pkwy, League City; and Education Support Center, 2425 E. Main St., League City; and Magnolia Creek Clubhouse, 4751 W. League City Pkwy, League City; and Bay Colony West HOA, 6621 Calder Dr., Dickinson; TX, 77539.

Section 8. All voting locations shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Section 9. The City will contract with the County of Galveston to conduct a special election, and runoff election if necessary, for those voters residing within Galveston County. The City will contract with Harris County to conduct a special election for those voters residing within Harris County. Therefore officers and clerks for the Elections shall be appointed by the appropriate County.

Section 10. Tabulation of all votes cast within Galveston County will be done at the Central Counting Station located at the Galveston CO Records and Election Center 10000 Emmett F. Lowry Expressway #1152 Texas City, TX 77591. Tabulation of all votes cast with Harris County will be done at the Central Counting Station located at the Elections Operations Center, 15600 Morales Rd, Houston, TX 77032.

Section 11. Dwight D. Sullivan, County Clerk is hereby appointed Counting Station Manager at the Galveston County Clerk's Office. Teneshia Hudspeth, Elections Administrator is

hereby appointed Counting Station Manager at the Harris County Clerk's Office. Diana M. Stapp is hereby appointed as general custodian of election records for the City of League City. Such officers and their designees shall have all the authority, duties and responsibilities as denoted in the Code.

Section 12. The City, in accordance with Section 32.002 of the Texas Election Code, may appoint one member of the Signature Verification Committee, the Early Voting Ballot Board, and the Ballot Resolution Board (BRB). The BRB is a non-statutory board that assists the Central Counting Station with the duplication of damaged ballots and email ballots submitted by members of the U.S. armed forces overseas and, where necessary, assists the Presiding Judge of the Central Counting Station in determining the intent of the voter in cases of over votes on mail ballots.

Section 13. The main early voting location for the Special Election shall be held at Galveston CO Records and Election Center at 10000 Emmett Lowry Expressway, Suite 1152, Texas City, Texas 77591; Locations within League City include: League City Annex, 174 Calder Dr. (Comm Rm), The Crossings, 255 Egret Bay Blvd., Public Works Operations Center, 1701 W. League City Pkwy., Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Pkwy., and Bay Colony West HOA, 6621 Calder Dr. Such place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, October 19, 2026 through October 23, 2026, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2026, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 25, 2026, and between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, October 26, 2026 through October 30, 2026 for early voting.

Section 14. The early voting location for the Special Election for those voters who reside in Harris County shall be determined by Harris County. Such place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, October 19, 2026 through October 24, 2026, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 25, 2026, and between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, October 26, 2026 through October 30, 2026 for early voting.

Section 15. Early voting for a Runoff election, if necessary, will be held at the League City Civic Center, 400 West Walker Street, League City, Texas 77573. Such place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, November 30, 2026 through December 8, 2026. The main early voting location for a Runoff Election shall be held at Galveston CO Records and Election Center, 10000 Emmett Lowry Expressway, Suite 1152, Texas City, Texas 77591.

Section 16. Pursuant to Section 9 above, the City will contract with Galveston County and Harris County for the performance of election services on the City's behalf. Exact locations and times for voting shall be established pursuant to such contracts. Such times and locations shall be automatically amended without further action of the City Council to include additional or different Election Day polling places designated by the election administrator of the County, and to conform to the election services agreements, the notices of the election shall be conformed to such final list provided to the City by the election administrator.

Section 17. Early voting by personal appearance shall comply with Section 61.012 of the

Texas Election Code.

Section 18. The early voting clerk's address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail for Galveston County residents may be sent is Attn: Ballots by Mail, C/O Dwight Sullivan Galveston County Clerk, P.O. Box 17253, Galveston, TX 77552-7253, telephone number: 409-770-5108, email address: absenteeballotapplications@galvestoncountytx.gov, and website: www.galvestonvotes.org. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than close of business on October 23, 2026.

Section 19. The early voting clerk's address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail for Harris County residents may be sent is Teneshia Hudspeth, Harris County Elections Administrator P.O. Box 1148, Houston, Texas 77251-1148, telephone number 713-755-6965, email address voters@harrisvotes.com, and website www.harrisvotes.com. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than close of business on October 23, 2026.

Section 20. The Mayor shall give notices of the Elections in accordance with the terms and provisions of Section 4.002, et seq., of the Code. Such notices shall state the nature and the date of the Elections, the location of the polling places for each precinct, the hours that the polls will be open and other information required by law. The Mayor shall issue all necessary orders and writs for such Elections, and returns of such Elections shall be made to the City Council and City Secretary immediately after the closing of the polls.

Section 21. The City Attorney shall take such actions as required to have the City in compliance with the Federal Voting Rights Act.

Section 22. It is further found and determined that in accordance with the order of this governing body, the City Secretary posted written notice of the date, place, and subject of this meeting on the bulletin board located in the City Hall, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and such notice having been so posted and remaining posted, continuously for at least three business days preceding the scheduled time of such meeting. A copy of the return of such posting shall be attached to the minutes of this meeting and shall be made a part thereof for all intents and purposes.

SIGNED on this the ____ day of _____, 2026.

NICK LONG,
Mayor

ATTEST:

DIANA M. STAPP,
City Secretary