

**CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3270**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS, ORDERING THAT A RUNOFF ELECTION BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING AN AT-LARGE COUNCIL MEMBER FOR PLACE 4 AND AN AT-LARGE COUNCIL MEMBER FOR PLACE 5; PROVIDING FOR A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH THE ELLIS COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2021, an election was held for Council Member Place 4 and Council Member Place 5; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the election, no candidate in either Place 4 or Place 5 received a majority (over 50%) of all votes casts; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.01(c) of the City Charter provides, in pertinent part, that “[i]n the event a candidate fails to receive a majority of all votes for a City Council Place, a runoff election shall be conducted between the two (2) candidates who received the highest number of votes for that City Council Place;” and

**WHEREAS**, candidates Billie Wallace and Paul Christenson were the two (2) candidates who received the highest number of votes for Council Member Place 4 and, accordingly, must compete in a runoff election to determine who shall be elected to Council Member Place 4; and

**WHEREAS**, candidates Travis M. Smith and Charles “Chuck” Beatty were the two (2) candidates who received the highest number of votes for Council Member Place 5 and, accordingly, must compete in a runoff election to determine who shall be elected to Council Member Place 5.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** All of the above premises are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

**SECTION 2.** A runoff election for Council Member Place 4 between Billie Wallace and Paul Christenson; and Council Member Place 5 between Travis M. Smith and Charles “Chuck” Beatty; shall be conducted on Saturday, June 5, 2021 for the Waxahachie City Council, and it is hereby so ordered.

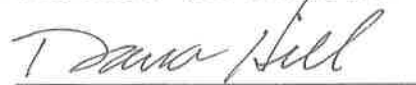
**SECTION 3.** City of Waxahachie city officials are authorized and directed to contract with Ellis County Elections Administrator (hereinafter referred to as the “Contracting Officer” for Election Services.)

**SECTION 4.** Contracting Officer shall be responsible for performing duties and shall furnish services and equipment as outlined in Exhibit “A” and in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

**SECTION 5.** The runoff election shall be conducted with bilingual (English and Spanish) election materials and methods, in accordance with the Federal Voting Rights Act.

**SECTION 6.** The Council finds that an emergency involving efficient daily operations of the City is involved, and that this ordinance will become effective immediately.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2021.

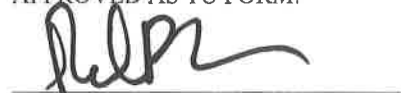
  
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David Hill, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Amber Villarreal, Acting City Secretary



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Robert F. Brown, City Attorney