

ORDINANCE NO 05-08-11 (A)

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALAMO, TEXAS, CALLING A CITY ELECTION FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011, TO BE PARTICIPATED IN BY THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF ALAMO, TEXAS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR, AND TWO (2) COMMISSIONERS. DESIGNATING ELECTION PRECINCTS, APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDING AND ALTERNATE JUDGE AND THE EARLY BALLOT BOARD, DESIGNATING POLLING PLACES, METHOD OF VOTING, AND PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Commission in their capacity as City Officials and in compliance with the City's Charter and the Texas Election Code, may call an election; and

WHEREAS, the term of office of the present Mayor, Commissioner Place #2, and Commissioner Place #4 will expire on Tuesday in November 2011; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF ALAMO, TEXAS, THAT;

SECTION I. Pursuant to in compliance with the provisions of the City's Charter, the Texas Election Code, and the laws of the State of Texas, a City Election will be held in the City of Alamo, Texas, on Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

SECTION II. Said City Election will be for the purpose of electing the following:

A Mayor	for a four (4) year term
A Commissioner (Place 2)	for a four (4) year term
A Commissioner (Place 4)	for a four (4) year term

SECTION III. Said election shall be held at several polling places in the respective County Election Precincts in Alamo, Texas, as set forth below and the following presiding judges and alternate judges are hereby appointed for such precinct/polling places for such election as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION IV. The preceding Alamo precincts are made up of all or parts of applicable County Precincts as such County Precincts are coterminous with Alamo city limit lines in the City of Alamo election Precincts.

SECTION V. The designated polling places shall on said Election Day remain open from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

SECTION VI. Said election shall be conducted by the use of the iVotronic System, including ballots cast early by personal appearance and the precinct above listed are hereby designated as Voting Precincts for the purpose of said election all in accordance with the provision of the Election Code of the State of Texas.

SECTION VII. In the event that no candidate for a place or position receives a majority of the votes cast for such place or position, or in the event of a tie vote there shall be a run-off election to be held not earlier than the 20th or later than the 45th day after the date the final canvass of the election is completed.

SECTION VIII. Early voting for said election shall be conducted by Ms. Margot Saenz, City Secretary of the City of Alamo, Texas, the Early Voting Clerk and her deputies who shall be appointed by the Early Voting Clerk by written order, respectively; and such early voting will be conducted at the City Hall, 420 North Tower Road, Alamo, Texas and said place for early voting by personal appearance shall remain open at least eight (8) hours, Monday through Saturday from the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. for early voting beginning on October 24, 2011 and continuing through November 4, 2011 as more specifically set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto.

The address of the Early Voting Clerk to which ballot application and ballots voted by mail may be sent is City of Alamo, 420 North Tower Road, Alamo, Texas, 78516, Fax # 965-787-1160. Applications for a ballot by mail may be requested beginning September 9, 2011 and must be received no later than the close of business on November 1, 2011. The Early Voting Ballot Board Presiding Judge Patty Villarreal, is hereby appointed to canvass the early ballots in accordance with Chapter 87, as amended, Texas Election Code. The Early Ballot Board Presiding Judge shall appoint at least two (2) other members to such Board. The Judge and members shall be compensated at the same rate as for the judges and clerks heretofore appointed for election day.

The City Secretary, Ms. Margot Saenz, shall serve as clerk of said Board. Said Early Voting Ballot Board shall canvass, record and tabulate early ballots and make returns thereof in the manner prescribed by the Texas Election Code. The Clerk shall deliver all early ballots and ballot envelopes to said Early Ballot Board during the time the polls are open on election day at the time specified by the Presiding Judge of the Board.

SECTION IX. Notice of this election shall be posted in the City Hall Building upon the official bulletin board. Notice of this election shall also be published at least one time in The Advance News Journal, Pharr, Texas not earlier than thirty (30) days nor later than ten (10) days before said election. The postings and publication provided for in this Section shall constitute notice of said election, in accordance with applicable law.

SECTION X. All notices, official publications, ballots, sample ballots, voter instructions used in connection with this election shall be printed in both the English and Spanish language.

SECTION XI. This Ordinance shall not be published in the Code of Ordinance of the City of Alamo as it is not a mandatory thereof.

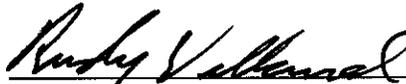
SECTION XII. The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish the caption of this ordinance in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Ordinance of the City of Alamo.

SECTION XIII. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and execution in accordance with the law.

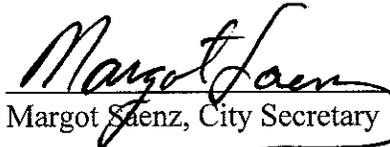
CONSIDERED, PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Alamo, Texas, at a regular meeting called and held in the Alamo Municipal Building on this the 9th day of August 2011, held in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 552.

Executed this the 9th day of August 2011.

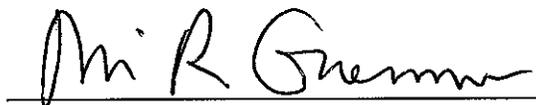
CITY OF ALAMO, TEXAS

By: 
Rudy Villarreal, Mayor

ATTEST:


Margot Saenz, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:


Ramirez & Guerrero, L.L.P., City Attorney

**SECTION III
EXHIBIT "A"**

**CITY OF ALAMO/CITY ELECTION
NOVEMBER 8, 2011**

MAIN EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACE

Precincts 23, 44, 77, 91, 120, 123, 126, 127, 130
CITY OF ALAMO CITY HALL
420 North Tower Road
Alamo, Hidalgo County, Texas 78516

DATES/TIME EARLY VOTING

Monday, October 24, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 25, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 26, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 27, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday, October 28, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 29, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 30, 2011	CLOSED
Monday, October 31, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 1, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 2, 2011	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 3, 2011	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday, November 4, 2011	7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**ELECTION DAY - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011
POLLING PLACES**

Precincts 44, 77, 91, 123, 126, 127, 130
ALAMO PUBLIC LIBRARY
416 North Tower Road
Alamo, Hidalgo County, Texas

Presiding Judge: Irma Chavez
Alternate Judge: Marina Rodriguez

Precincts 23, 120
AMIGOS DEL VALLE BUILDING
1408 Silver Avenue
Donna, Hidalgo County, Texas

Presiding Judge: Frank Briones
Alternate Judge: Chico Lozano

BALLOT BOARD JUDGE

Patty Villarreal