RESOLUTION NO. 13-001
Date: February 12, 2013

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, CALLING/ORDERING THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE ELECTION OF THREE (3) CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO TWO-YEAR TERMS EACH FOR MAY 11, 2013 AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR SUCH GENERAL ELECTION.

Whereas, the general election for the election of three (3) City Council members to two-year terms each is to be held on the uniform election date in May; and

Whereas, the Texas Election Code, Section 3.003, is applicable to said election, and in order to comply with said Code, a Proclamation and/or Resolution shall be passed calling the election, establishing the procedures to be followed in said election, and designating the voting places for said election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEADOWLAKES, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. General Election Ordered. The general election for the election of three (3) City Council members to two-year terms each shall be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013.

Section 2. Filing Period. Candidates to file for the three (3) City Council offices may file their application beginning at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 30th, 2013 and shall file their applications no later than 5:00 p.m. March 1, 2013. All candidates for the offices to be filled in the election to be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013 shall file their application with the City Secretary; Meadowlakes City Hall, 177 Broadmoor, Suite A, Meadowlakes, Texas, on any weekday that is not a City holiday, between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., with the one extended day of March 1, 2013 by 5:00 p.m., to become candidates. Said applications shall be on a form as prescribed by the Election Code of the State of Texas.

Section 3. Drawing. The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the general election ballot shall be determined by a drawing conducted by the City Secretary as provided by the Election Code. Such drawing will be held at 3:00 p.m. at Meadowlakes City Hall, 177 Broadmoor, Meadowlakes, Texas, on Monday, March 4, 2013.

Section 4. Election precincts and Polling Places.

The City, having one (1) election precinct; said election(s) shall be held at the below locations for early voting and only the Marble Falls Courthouse Annex on Election Day:

Marble Falls Courthouse Annex ~ or ~ Burnet County Courthouse
810 Steve Hawkins Pkwy. 220 S. Pierce
Marble Falls, Texas 78654 Burnet, Texas 78611

The polls shall remain open on the day of election from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 5. **Contract Agent to Hold City Election(s).** The City of Meadowlakes has entered into a contractual agreement with the Elections Administrator of Burnet County, Burnet, Texas, to conduct said election in accordance with the rules and regulations set out in the Texas Election Code.

Section 6. **Election Judge and Alternate.** As set out in the contract under Responsibilities of Contracting Officer, the Burnet County Elections Administrator will recruit the presiding election judges and the alternate presiding judges and workers for the polling places and for the early voting ballot board.

Section 7. Early Voting. That early voting in said election(s) shall be held at:

Marble Falls Courthouse Annex	~ or ~	Burnet County Courthouse
810 Steve Hawkins Pkwy.		220 S. Pierce
Marble Falls, Texas 78654		Burnet, Texas 78611

The Burnet County Elections Administrator is hereby charged with the duty of conducting early voting in said election as required by law.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the Marble Falls Courthouse Annex, 810 Steve Hawkins Pkwy., Marble Falls, Texas, or Burnet County Courthouse, 220 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas, beginning Monday, April 29, 2013 and ending Tuesday, May 7, 2013. Said places of Early Voting shall remain open for Early Voting for eight (8) hours each day that is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official holiday. Said places of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on April 29, April 30, May 1, May 3 and May 7, 2013. As required under Section 85.005 (d), Election Code, early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted for at least 12 hours on two weekdays, if the early voting period consists of six or more weekdays; therefore, early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted for 12 hours on Thursday, May 2, 2013 and Monday, May 6, 2013, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on each day.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
Elections Administrator of Burnet County
220 S. Pierce
Burnet, Texas 78611

Section 8. Voting System. Said election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code §61.012 providing that by January 1, 2006 each polling place must provide at least one accessible voting station that provides a practical and effective means for voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. The City of Meadowlakes will contract with Burnet County to use the Direct Record Electronic (DRE) voting system purchased by Burnet County from Hart InterCivic, Inc. for the election and as certified by the Office of the Texas Secretary of State as a voting system that may be legally used in Texas elections.
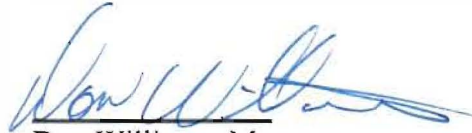
Section 9. Ballots. It is hereby determined that paper ballots will be used for ballots by mail and that all other ballots will be electronic.

Section 10. Notice of Election. Notice of said election shall be given by the Mayor in accordance with the terms and provision of the Texas Election code and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.
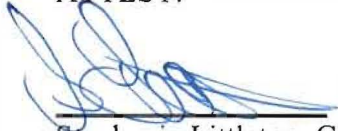
Section 11. General. Said election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code, and only qualified resident voters of said City shall be eligible to vote at said election. The City Secretary is hereby authorized as the Election Administrator for the City of Meadowlakes and shall insure that said election is held in accordance with the Texas Election Code. Returns of said election shall be made known as soon as possible after the closing of the polls and as upon contractually agreed.

Section 12. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective upon its passage by a majority vote of the City Council.

<div align="center">PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE <u>12th</u> DAY OF <u>FEBRUARY, 2013</u>.</div>

Don Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Littleton, City Secretary