

NOTICE OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD BY THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

TIME AND PURPOSE OF ELECTION: The City of Brownsville, Texas (the "City") will hold a General Municipal Election and Special Election between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 6, 2023, in the City to fill the vacancies resulting from the expiration of the terms of office for **Mayor, Commissioner At-Large "A", Commissioner District 1, and Commissioner District 2**, and amending the Charter of the City of Brownsville, amending Article V, Section 13 and Section 22 and adding Section 21-A; amending Article VI, Section 1 (c), Section 1 (e), and Section 1 (f).

This Charter Amendment Election is on the questions of adopting six (6) amendments to the Home Rule Charter as follows, and more specifically listed below: PROVIDING MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS WITH ANNUAL PAY; INCREASE CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT TERMS; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A CITY ATTORNEY; AMENDING TO ALLOW A TWO-THIRDS SUPERMAJORITY TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD; ALLOWING A TWO-THIRDS SUPERMAJORITY TO REMOVE THREE BOARD MEMBERS FROM BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD IN ANY 12 MONTH PERIOD; AMENDING TO DECLARE A BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MEMBER'S POSITION VACANT, OTHER THAN THE MAYOR WHO SERVES AS AN EX-OFFICIO; AFTER MISSING 4 REGULAR MEETINGS IN A CALENDAR YEAR, AND RELATED MATTERS.

PLACE OF ELECTION: For the purpose of holding said election, the City is divided into fifty-one(51) election precincts. Such election precincts have numbers and boundaries identical to those of the corresponding CameronCounty election precincts, except that the boundaries of the City election precincts exclude areas outside the City. The polling places for the City election precincts are consolidated into the following nineteen (19) locations, which are grouped by the four (4) City Electoral Districts:

MUNICIPAL ELECTION PRECINCTS AND POLLING LOCATIONS		
ELECTORAL DISTRICT 1		
PRECINCTS	LOCATION	ADDRESS
6, 37, 45	J.T. Canales Elementary School	1811 International Blvd., Brownsville, TX
Part 8, 38, Part 97	Sharp Elementary School	1439 Palm Blvd., Brownsville, TX
9	Cameron County Courthouse Judicial Complex	954 E. Harrison St., Brownsville, TX
10, 69, 70	Cromack Elementary School	3200 E. 30th Street, Brownsville, TX
Part 11, Part 12, Part 13	Russell Elementary School	800 Lakeside Blvd., Brownsville, TX
Part 14, Part 60, Part 82	El Jardin Elementary School	6911 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, TX
Part 53, 77	Reynaldo Garza Elementary School	200 Esperanza Road, Brownsville, TX
62, 75	James Pace High School	314 W. Los Ebanos Blvd., Brownsville, TX
76	Hanna High School	2615 Price Rd., Brownsville, TX
ELECTORAL DISTRICT 2		
PRECINCTS	LOCATION	ADDRESS
5, 72	Hudson Elementary School	2950 FM 802, Brownsville, TX
Part 7, Part 68	Rivera High School	6955 FM 802, Brownsville, TX
Part 14, Part 60, Part 82	El Jardin Elementary School	6911 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, TX
46, 63, Part 86	Gonzalez Elementary School	4350 Jaime J. Zapata Ave., Brownsville, TX
71	Perkins Middle School	4750 Austin Road, Brownsville, TX
76	Hanna High School	2615 Price Rd., Brownsville, TX
ELECTORAL DISTRICT 3		
PRECINCTS	LOCATION	ADDRESS
Part 3, Part 49, Part 65, Part 67, Part 94, 95, Part 99	Dora Romero Elementary School	9705 Cajun Blvd., Los Fresnos, TX
Part 4, Part 16, Part 17, Part 48, Part 89, Part 90, 91	Yturria Elementary School	2955 W. Tandy Road, Brownsville, TX
Part 7, Part 68	Rivera High School	6955 FM 802, Brownsville, TX
Part 8, 38, Part 97	Sharp Elementary School	1439 Palm Blvd., Brownsville, TX
Part 11, Part 12, Part 13	Russell Elementary School	800 Lakeside Blvd., Brownsville, TX
Part 14, Part 60, Part 82	El Jardin Elementary School	6911 Boca Chica Blvd., Brownsville, TX
15	R. L. Martin Elementary School	1701 Stanford Street, Brownsville, TX
47, 61	Brownsville Public Library Central Branch	2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, TX
54, 73, Part 74, 88, 100	Burns Elementary School	1970 Alton Gloor Blvd., Brownsville, TX
ELECTORAL DISTRICT 4		
PRECINCTS	LOCATION	ADDRESS
Part 3, Part 49, Part 65, Part 67, Part 94, 95, Part 99	Dora Romero Elementary School	9705 Cajun Blvd., Los Fresnos, TX
Part 4, Part 16, Part 17, Part 48, Part 89, Part 90, 91	Yturria Elementary School	2955 W. Tandy Road, Brownsville, TX
9	Cameron County Courthouse Judicial Complex	954 E. Harrison St., Brownsville, TX
Part 11, Part 12, Part 13	Russell Elementary School	800 Lakeside Blvd., Brownsville, TX
47, 61	Brownsville Public Library Central Branch	2600 Central Blvd., Brownsville, TX
62, 75	James Pace High School	314 W. Los Ebanos Blvd., Brownsville, TX
98	Benavidez Elementary School	3101 McAllen Road, Brownsville, TX

EARLY VOTING DATES AND POLLING LOCATIONS:		
LOCATION	ADDRESS	
Main Office: Cameron County Courthouse Judicial Complex	954 E. Harrison Street Brownsville, Texas	
Brownsville Public Library-Main Branch	2600 Central Blvd. Brownsville, Texas	
Brownsville Public Library-Southmost Branch	4320 Southmost Blvd. Brownsville, Texas	
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV-BINAB)	Interdisciplinary Academic Bldg. One West University Blvd. Brownsville, Texas	
Brownsville Community Health Center- New Horizon Medical Center	191 E. Price Road Brownsville, Texas	
Good Shepherd Community Church	300 W. Morrison Rd. Brownsville, Texas	
DATES	TIME	
All Early Voting Locations – Weekdays: Monday, April 24 thru Friday, April 28, 2023 Saturday, April 29, 2023 Monday, May 1 – Tuesday, May 2, 2023	9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.	

ELECTORS: Application for ballot by mail should be mailed to the Early Voting Clerk:

Mr. Remi Garza
Cameron County Elections Department
P.O. BOX 3587
BROWNSVILLE, TX 78523-3587

Applications for ballot by mail may also be sent by fax or e-mail to Fax (956) 550-7298 or e-mail: elections@co.cameron.tx.us. If you fax or e-mail your application to the early voting clerk, you must also mail the original application so that the clerk receives it no later than the fourth business day after the clerk receives your faxed or emailed application. An application can be requested or printed at: <https://www.cameroncountytexas.gov/elections/index.php/register-to-vote-vote-by-mail/>
APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL MUST BE RECEIVED (NOT POSTMARKED) NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

BALLOT FORM: The official ballot form shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code Section 9.004, which states "The ballot shall be prepared so that a voter may approve or disapprove any one or more amendments without having to approve or disapprove all of the amendments." The following propositions are written so that electors may choose "For" or "Against" as to each. Also, it is estimated that there will be no anticipated fiscal impact to the City of Brownsville for any of the proposed propositions if approved.

Proposition A: Shall Article V, Section 13 of the City Charter be amended to provide that the mayor's annual pay be set at the rate of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) and that the city commissioners' annual pay be set at the rate of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)?

FOR
 AGAINST

Proposition B: Shall Article V, Section 22 of the City Charter be amended to increase the city manager's maximum contract length from two to three years?

FOR
 AGAINST

Proposition C: Shall the City Charter be amended by adding Section 21-A to Article V, providing for the appointment of a city attorney and defining the duties and powers of the office of the city attorney, including the obligation to oversee legal services for the City, its boards, committees, commissions, or other City commissioned entities for the purposes of accomplishing common goals of eliminating duplication of services, creating administrative efficiency, providing for joint legal service efforts and ensuring the quality of legal service to the citizens at the lowest cost in terms of fees and tax rates?

FOR
 AGAINST

Proposition D: Shall Article VI, Section 1 (c) of the City Charter be amended to allow a two-thirds supermajority of the City Commission to appoint members to the Brownsville Public Utilities Board, with each City Commissioner making a nomination for appointment to the Board when a vacancy exists by virtue of a term-limit, resignation, death, or other incapacity?

FOR
 AGAINST

Proposition E: Shall Article VI, Section 1 (e) of the City Charter be amended by allowing a two-thirds supermajority of the City Commission to remove three (3) board members from the Brownsville Public Utilities Board in any twelve (12) month period?

FOR
 AGAINST

Proposition F: Shall Article VI, Section 1 (f) of the City Charter be amended to declare a Brownsville Public Utilities Board member's position, other than the mayor who serves as an ex-officio member by virtue of their office, vacant upon being continuously absent four (4) times from any regular meeting in a calendar year?

FOR
 AGAINST

ELECTORS: All qualified electors of the City shall be entitled to vote at said election.

ISSUED this 3rd day of April 2023

Trey Mendez,
Mayor

ATTEST:
Yolanda Galarza Gomez, TRMC
City Secretary