

ORDINANCE NO. 2021- 12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALM VALLEY, TEXAS ESTABLISHING A PLACE SYSTEM FOR ELECTING COUNCIL MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSIGNING OF PLACE NUMBERS TO EACH COUNCIL MEMBER'S OFFICE; PROVIDING FOR FILING AN APPLICATION FOR A SPECIFIC PLACE ON THE BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR THE BALLOT TO SHOW EACH OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER AS A SEPARATE OFFICE DESIGNATED BY A PLACE NUMBER AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Valley, Texas is a Type A General Law Municipality located in Cameron County, Texas, created in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Local Government Code and operation pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, The City of Palm Valley by passage of an ordinance may establish a place number system to identify elective office pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 21.001. ELECTION OF ALDERMEN BY PLACE SYSTEM IN GENERAL LAW MUNICIPALITY, which provides:

(a) The governing body of a general law municipality that is not divided into wards and that elects its Council members at large may provide by ordinance for the election of Council members under a place system.

(b) The ordinance must be enacted before the 60th day before the date of the first regular municipal election of Council members under a place system.

(c) As soon as possible after the place system ordinance is enacted, the governing body shall assign place numbers to each Council members' office.

(d) When incumbent Council member's terms of office expire, any candidate for the office of Council member shall file an application for a specific place on the governing body, such as "Council member, Place No. 1."

(e) The ballot for an election under the place system must show each office of Council member as a separate office designated by place number.

WHEREAS, There are five Council members and the position of Mayor in the City of Palm Valley; and

WHEREAS, The Council members' seats are currently held by Michael Galvan, Cynthia Thompson, Jerry Wade, Lisa Taylor, and Eric Hoff. Michael Galvan, Cynthia Thompson and Jerry Wade assumed office on an even year. Eric Hoff and Lisa Taylor assumed office on an odd year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM VALLEY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1.

THAT, the **Council members'** Place numbers shall be assigned as follows:

Place 1 – Michael Galvan (even year)

Place 2 – Cynthia Thompson (even year)

Place 3 – Lisa Taylor (odd year)

Place 4 – Jerry Wade (even year)

Place 5 – Eric Hoff (odd year)

Section 2.

THAT, when an incumbent Council member's term of office expires, any candidate for the office of Council member shall file an application for a specific place on the City Council.

THAT, the ballot for an election under the place system shall show each office of Council member as a separate office designated by place number.

Section 3.

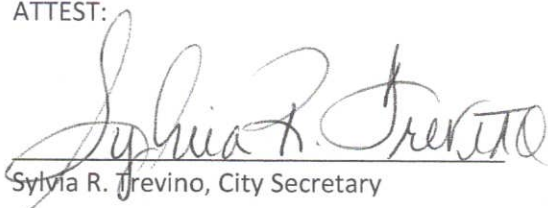
THAT, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19th day of November, 2021.



George Rivera, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sylvia R. Trevino, City Secretary