



Staff Report

AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: December 8, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Kaylee Koudela, Administration

ITEM TYPE: Agenda Item

AGENDA SECTION: REPORTS

SUBJECT: 2026 Election Information and Calendar

BACKGROUND:

The 2026 General Election Day is Saturday May 2, 2026. This election will consist of the General Election for the three (3) At-Large Council Member positions, and the Special Election for the proposed Charter Amendment. The Election Calendar is attached for review.

Key Actions & Notable Dates:

- The Joint Election Agreement with the Wharton County Elections Department is anticipated to be brought for consideration at the January 12, 2026, regularly scheduled City Council meeting.
- Candidate packets will be available for pick up from the City Secretary beginning January 5, 2026.
- The filing period for place on the ballot is January 14 - February 13, 2026.
- The period for City Council to Order (otherwise known as "Call") the General and Special Elections is January 20 - February 13, 2026. It is anticipated that this will be on the agenda for consideration at the January 26, 2026, regularly scheduled City Council meeting.
- The period of Official Canvass is May 05 - 13, 2026. The first meeting in May is scheduled for May 11, 2026; It is anticipated that an item will be on the agenda for this meeting to Canvass the election results and issue certificates of election.

Financial Impact: To be determined.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

[2026 Election Calendar.pdf](#)