ORDINANCE NO. 2020-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, AMENDING VILLAGE OF SALADO ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01 ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION ON MAY 2, 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND TWO (2) ALDERMEN OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO BOARD OF ALDERMEN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF MODIFYING THE LAST DAY TO ACCEPT AN APPLICATION BY MAIL FOR A BALLOT TO BE VOTED BY MAIL; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTING PROVISIONS, GOVERNING LAW, PROPER NOTICE AND OPEN MEETING, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on or about January 2, 2020, the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado adopted Ordinance No. 2020-01, calling a general election to be held on May 2, 2020 for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two (2) Aldermen; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen, has entered into a joint election agreement, pursuant to the authority granted in Chapter 271 Texas Election Code, with the Salado Independent School District ("Salado ISD") and the Salado Public Library District which are political subdivisions holding elections on the same day in all or part of the same territory; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen now finds it reasonable and necessary to amend Ordinance No. 2020-01 to appoint election workers and to modify the last day to accept an application by mail for a ballot to be voted by mail to conform with State law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Amendment.

- (A) That Section 8. Early Voting by Mail. of Ordinance No. 2020-01 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- "SECTION 8. <u>Early Voting by Mail.</u> Early voting by mail shall be conducted in accordance with applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code. Ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent to: Salado ISD, Attn: Deputy Early Voting Clerk, P.O. Box 98, Salado, Texas, 76571. Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Monday, April 20, 2020."
- **SECTION 2.** <u>Severability.</u> If any portion of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons and circumstances shall remain valid and in full force and effect, and the City

Council hereby declares that this Ordinance would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

SECTION 3. Conflicting Provisions. All orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, which are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters ordered herein.

SECTION 4. Governing Law. This Ordinance shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.

SECTION 5. <u>Proper Notice and Open Meeting.</u> It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was acted upon was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

SECTION 6. <u>Authorization to Execute.</u> The Mayor is authorized to execute and the City Secretary is authorized to attest this Ordinance on behalf of the Board; and the Mayor is authorized to do all other things legal and necessary in connection with the holding and consummation of the Election.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Village of Salado Board of Aldermen on the 6th day of February, 2020, by a vote of <u>S</u> (Ayes), <u>O</u> (Nays) and <u>O</u> (Abstentions).

VILLAGE OF SALADO

Skip Mancett, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cara Mc Partland, City Secretary

(SEAL)	GE OF SALADO
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	TEXAS
Alan Bojorquez, City Attorney	