ORDINANCE 22-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENEDY, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 22-01 SECTION 7 TO REFLECT A CHANGE OF VENUE WHERE EARLY VOTING IS TO BE CONDUCTED; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Kenedy on February 8, 2022 with Ordinance 22-01 ordered the May 7, 2022 General Election for Mayor, and Council Seats for Districts 2 and 4; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of Ordinance 22-01 originally listed the City of Kenedy Municipal Building Auditorium, 303 W. Main Street, Kenedy, Texas as the venue for early voting; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kenedy and the Karnes County Elections Office have agreed for the Karnes County Elections Officer to oversee the City of Kenedy General Election; and

WHEREAS, the Karnes County Elections Officer finds it necessary to change the City of Kenedy early voting venue due to a scarcity of adequate vote registering machines.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENEDY, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS OF FACT

The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as finding of fact, as if expressly set forth herein.

The City Council of the City of Kenedy hereby amends Ordinance 22-01 Section 7 to reflect the change of early voting venue from the City of Kenedy Municipal Building Auditorium, 303 W. Main Street, Kenedy, Texas; to the Karnes County Elections Office, 210 W, Calvert Ave. Suite 140, Karnes City, Texas; as follows:

[Note – additions are shown as <u>underlined</u> and deletions are shown as strikethrough]

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SECTION 7. The polling place designated for the City of Kenedy for Early Voting shall be the Karnes County Election Office, 210 W. Calvert Ave. Suite 140, Karnes City, Texas; and Election Day Voting for the May 7, 2022 General Election shall be the City of Kenedy Municipal Building Auditorium, 303 W. Main Street, Kenedy, Texas. Early Voting will be conducted from April 25 through May 3, 2022 and include the two required 12-hour voting days; voting dates and times are as follows:

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Monday: April 25th
Tuesday: April 26th

Early Voting

8am-5pm 8am-5pm

Tuesday: April 26th Wednesday: April 27th Thursday: April 28th Friday: April 29th

8am-5pm 8am-5pm

Monday: May 2nd Tuesday: May 3rd 8am-5pm 7am-7pm 7am-7pm

Election Day

Saturday: May 7th

7am-7pm

The office of the City Secretary Karnes County Elections Office for purposes of early voting shall be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on May 2nd and May 3rd the two twelve (12) hour days of early voting by personal appearance. Polling locations are subject to change as may be required for compliance with the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 2. REPEALER

To the extent reasonable possible, ordinances are to be read together in harmony. However, all ordinances, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. OPEN MEETING CERTIFICATION

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public 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, as amended.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this, the 8th, day of March 2022 by the City Council of the City of Kenedy, Karnes County, Texas;

Joe Baker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ruby Mowles, City Secretary