

**ORDINANCE NO. 24-05**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HELOTES, TEXAS, CERTIFYING THE CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 1, COUNCIL MEMEBR PLACE 2, AND COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 4 ARE UNOPPOSED IN THE SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION; DECLARING THE UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES ELECTED TO THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICES; CANCELLING SAID ELECTION; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 24-01 on January 25, 2024, and pursuant to the laws of the State of Texas, specifically Section 22.003 of the Texas Local Government Code, called a General Election that was to be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024, for the purpose of electing one (1) Council Member Place 1, and one (1) Council Member Place 2, and one (1) Council Member Place 4; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Texas Election Code Sections 143.007 and 146.054, the deadline for filing applications for a place on the ballot and for declaration of a write-in candidacy for the City's municipal general election has expired; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Texas Election Code Section 2.052, the City Secretary has delivered to the City Council the Certification of Unopposed Candidates (Exhibit A), certifying in writing the candidates are unopposed for election; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Texas Election Code Section 2.053(c), if the entity is conducting a separate election at the same time as the cancelled election, the declared elected candidates shall be listed separately on the ballot under the heading "Unopposed Candidates Declared Elected" and no votes are cast in connection with the candidates.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HELOTES, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1. UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES DECLARED ELECTED.** In accordance with Texas Election Code Section 2.053(a), the following unopposed candidates are hereby declared duly elected to the respective offices with each to serve a term of two years, terminating in May 2026, or when their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall be issued a certificate of election following the date on which the municipal general election would have been canvassed.

- Council Member Place 1 – Craig Sanders
- Council Member Place 2 – Jen Sones
- Council Member Place 4 – Sabrina McGowan

**SECTION 2. ELECTION CANCELLED.** The General Election ordered by the City Council of the City of Helotes in Ordinance No. 24-01 to be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024, is canceled in accordance with Texas Election Code Section 2.053(a).

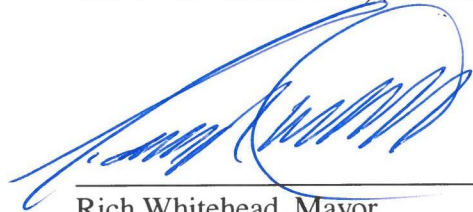
**SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION.** The Mayor is authorized to sign the Order of Cancellation for the General Election (Exhibit B). A copy of the Order must be posted by the City Secretary on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in such election in accordance with Texas Election Code Section 2.053(a).

**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.** Should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase contained in this Ordinance be held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this resolution, but in all respects said remaining portion shall be and remain in full force and effect.

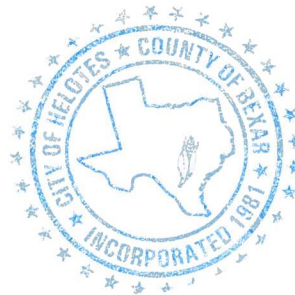
**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024.

**CITY OF HELOTES, TEXAS:**

  
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Rich Whitehead, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Celina Perez, City Secretary

**CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES FOR  
OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (NOT COUNTY)**

***CERTIFICACIÓN DE CANDIDATOS ÚNICOS  
PARA OTRAS SUBDIVISIONES POLÍTICAS (NO EL CONDADO)***

To: Presiding Officer of Governing Body  
*Al: Presidente de la entidad gobernante*

As the authority responsible for having the official ballot prepared, I hereby certify that the following candidates are unopposed for election to office for the election scheduled to be held on May 4, 2024.

*Como autoridad a cargo de la preparación de la boleta de votación oficial, por la presente certifico que los siguientes candidatos son candidatos únicos para elección para un cargo en la elección que se llevará a cabo el 4 de Mayo 2024.*

List offices and names of candidates  
*Lista de cargos y nombres de los candidatos:*

<u>Office(s) / Cargo(s)</u>	<u>Candidate(s) / Candidato(s)</u>
Council Member Place 1 ( <i>Miembro del Consejo Lugar 1</i> )	Craig Sanders
Council Member Place 2 ( <i>Miembro del Consejo Lugar 2</i> )	Jen Sones
Council Member Place 4 ( <i>Miembro del Consejo Lugar 4</i> )	Sabrina McGowan

  
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**Signature (Firma)**

Celina Perez  
**Printed Name (Nombre en letra de molde)**

City Secretary (Secretaria de la Ciudad)  
**Title (Puesto)**

March 14, 2024 (14 de Marzo 2024)  
**Date of signing (Fecha de firma)**



**(Seal) (Sello)**

**ORDER OF CANCELLATION**  
**ORDEN DE CANCELACIÓN**

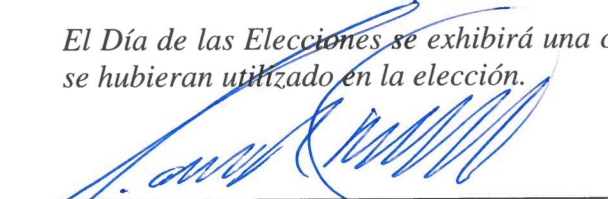
The City of Helotes hereby cancels the election scheduled to be held on May 4, 2024, in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. The following candidates have been certified as unopposed and are hereby elected as follows:


*La Ciudad de Helotes por la presente cancela la elección que, de lo contrario, se hubiera celebrado el 4 de Mayo 2024 de conformidad, con la Sección 2.053(a) del Código de Elecciones de Texas. Los siguientes candidatos han sido certificados como candidatos únicos y por la presente quedan elegidos como se haya indicado a continuación:*

<b>Candidate (Candidato)</b>	<b>Office Sought (Cargo al que presenta candidatura)</b>
Craig Sanders	Council Member Place 1 ( <i>Miembro del Consejo Lugar 1</i> )
Jen Sones	Council Member Place 2 ( <i>Miembro del Consejo Lugar 2</i> )
Sabrina McGowan	Council Member Place 4 ( <i>Miembro del Consejo Lugar 4</i> )

A copy of this order will be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.

*El Día de las Elecciones se exhibirá una copia de esta orden en todas las mesas electorales que se hubieran utilizado en la elección.*

  
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**Mayor (Alcalde)**

  
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**City Secretary (Secretaria de la Ciudad)**



March 14, 2024 (*14 de Marzo 2024*)  
**Date of adoption (Fecha de adopción)**

**(Seal) (Sello)**