ORDINANCE NO. 240917.002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF BEAR CREEK, TEXAS, CANCELLING THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024, GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY; DECLARING CANDIDATES ELECTED TO OFFICE; MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING AN OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS

Whereas, Subchapter. C, Chapt. 2, Tex. Elec. Code, authorizes candidates who are unopposed for election to the governing body, to be declared elected;

Whereas, Section 2.052, Tex. Elec. Code, requires the City Secretary to certify in writing that a candidate is unopposed if only one candidate name is to be placed on the ballot for an office pursuant to Section 52.003, Tex. Elec. Code, and no candidate's name is to be placed on the ballot as a write-in for such office;

Whereas, Section 2.053, Tex. Elec. Code, authorizes the governing body of cities to declare unopposed candidates to be elected, upon receipt of the Section 2.052 certification;

Whereas, the City Secretary has certified that Trent Brackenridge applied to be on the ballot for a City Commissioner office and is unopposed for such office;

Whereas, the City Secretary has certified that Allen B. Brushwood applied to be on the ballot for a City Commissioner office and is unopposed for such office;

Whereas, the City Secretary has certified that Mark Bohm applied to be on the ballot for Mayor and is unopposed for such office; and

Whereas, there are no contested offices for the November 5, 2024, general city election, the general city election is unnecessary, and cancellation thereof will serve the public convenience and save public funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BEAR CREEK, TEXAS, THAT:

- Section 1. Findings of Fact. All of the above premises and recitations are found to be true and correct and are incorporated into the body of this ordinance as findings of fact, as if copied herein in their entirety.
- <u>Section</u> 2. <u>Candidates Elected</u>. Mark Bohm is hereby declared to be elected as Mayor for the office of Mayor. Al Brushwood is hereby declared to be elected as City Commissioner for the office of City Commissioner. Trent Brackenridge is hereby declared to be elected as City Commissioner for the office of City Commissioner.
 - Section 3. Cancellation of General Election. There being no contested offices and the

declaration in Section 2 above having been made, pursuant to the authority of Section 2.053(b), Tex. Elec. Code, the November 5, 2024, general election of the Village of Bear Creek shall not be held.

<u>Section</u> 4. <u>Directions to City Secretary</u>. The City Secretary is hereby directed to post a copy of this ordinance on the bulletin board at the city hall and, on Election Day, a copy of this ordinance shall be posted on the door of the polling place. Such posting at the polling place shall be made in a manner to be readable to persons outside the polling place. The City Secretary shall further issue to each person declared elected, as named in Section 2, a certificate of election as provided in Section 2.053(c), Tex. Elec. Code.

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

ATTEST:

VILLAGE OF BEAR CREEK, TEXAS

Kathryn Rosenbluth, City Secretary

Mark Bohm, Mayor