ORDINANCE 2023-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEALY, TEXAS, DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 6, 2023, GENERAL CITY ELECTION, ELECTED TO OFFICE; CANCELING THE GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Sealy's General Election was called and ordered for May 6, 2023, for the purpose of electing members to the city council; and

WHEREAS, the city secretary has certified in writing that no person has made a declaration of write-in candidacy, and that each candidate on the ballot is unopposed for election to office; and

WHEREAS, under these circumstances, Subchapter C, Chapter 2, Election Code, authorizes the city council to declare the candidates elected to office and cancel the general election;

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

<u>Section 1.</u> The following candidates who are unopposed in the May 6, 2023 general city election, are declared elected to office, and shall be issued certificates of election following the time the election would have been canvassed:

<u>CANDIDATE</u> <u>OFFICE SOUGHT</u>

Carolyn Bilski Mayor

Dee Anne Lerma Councilmember, Place 1

<u>Section 2.</u> The May 6, 2023 general city election is canceled, and the city secretary is directed to cause a copy of this ordinance to be posted on election day at each polling place used or that would have been used in the election.

<u>Section 3.</u> It is declared to be the intent of the city council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this ordinance is declared invalid by the judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or sections of this ordinance since the city council would have enacted them without the invalid portion.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon second reading.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED on this 7^{th} day of March, 2023.

<u> Wrollyn</u> Belski Carolyn Bilski, Mayor

ATTEST:

