ORDINANCE NO. 2155

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS, CALLING THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNCILMEMBER FROM DISTRICT NO. 3 AND DISTRICT NO. 5 TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2003.

WHEREAS, the terms of office of Councilmember No. Three and Councilmember No. Five will expire at the conclusion of two years in office, as provided by an amendment to the Charter of the City of Terrell, Texas, as adopted on July 12, 1983; and

WHEREAS, the first Saturday in May is the date set for the regular election of Councilmembers; and

WHEREAS, authority is vested in the Mayor of the City of Terrell to call said regular election and to appoint election officials to conduct said election;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS that:

An election to be held on the 3rd day of May, 2003 for the purpose of:

Electing Councilmembers from District No. Three and District No. Five.

A. **Councilmember No. Three** so elected shall be a resident of District No. Three and shall be elected by the vote of qualified voters of the City of Terrell, Texas residing in District No. Three and shall serve a term of two years.

B. **Councilmember No. Five** so elected shall be a resident of District No. Five and shall be elected by the vote of the qualified voters of the City of Terrell, Texas residing in District No. Five and shall serve a term of two years.

II.

Punch card ballots shall be used for said election which ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "for" the candidate of the following offices which shall be set forth in substantially the following form:

In District No. 3
Councilmember.....(Name of Candidates)
In District No. 5
Councilmember.....(Name of Candidates)

There shall be two (2) election precincts for the conduct of this election, and the following locations are designated as polling places within the respective precincts:

District No. 3 Terrell Fire Station #2
225 Baker Street
Terrell, Texas 75160

District No. 5 Missionary Baptist Church
Poetry Road
Terrell, Texas 75160

On Election Day, the polls shall open at 7:00 A.M. and shall close at 7:00 P.M.

That the following persons are hereby appointed officers of the election in their respective precincts:

District No. 3 -	Helen Sanders	Presiding Judge
	Ruby Brewster	Alternate Judge
	Katie Smith	Alternate Judge
District No. 5 -	Ruth Matejka	Presiding Judge
	Betty Maxwell	Alternate Judge

A copy of this ordinance shall be delivered to the presiding judges for Districts 3 and 5 by the City Secretary not later than 20 days from this date, together with a current description of the election precincts as approved by the Terrell City Council.

Each presiding judge shall appoint not less than two nor more than four qualified clerks to serve and assist in the holding of said election, provided that if the presiding judge herein appointed actually serves, that the alternate presiding judge shall be a clerk. Each official shall be compensated at the rate of $8.00 per hour, not to exceed a total of 15 hours. Each presiding judge shall receive addition compensation in the amount of $25.00 for delivering the returns to the Central Counting Station. Each presiding judge shall attempt to appoint at least one official fluent in both the English and Spanish language.

All qualified electors residing in Districts 3 and 5 of the City of Terrell shall be permitted to vote at said election. This election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code, enacted in 1985. All election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

Early voting shall be conducted at the office of the City Secretary in the Terrell City Hall located at 201 East Nash Street, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 310, Terrell, Texas 75160. The City Secretary is appointed as Early Voting Clerk, to serve without additional compensation. Applications for early voting by mail shall be taken between March 4, 2003 and April 25, 2003.

Early voting by personal appearance shall commence on April 16, 2003 and conclude on April 29, 2003 on weekdays during regular business hours of the office of the City Secretary including Saturday, April 19th and Saturday, April 26th, 2003.

The Terrell Municipal Building located at 201 East Nash Street, Terrell, Texas, is hereby designated as the Central Counting Station.

Bobby Bishop is appointed **Presiding Judge** of the **Central Counting Station.**

Helen Dixon is appointed **Early Voting Ballot Board Judge.**

Cozette Moore is appointed as **Tabulation Supervisor** of the **Central Counting Station** and shall be entitled to compensation in an amount determined by the Terrell City Council.

The Early Voting Ballot Board Judge will deliver the early voted ballots to the Central Counting Station Judge at 5:00 P.M. Tabulating of voted ballots will start at 7:00 P.M.

Persons wishing to file as candidate for City Councilmembers from Districts 3 and 5 shall file a sworn application for a place on the ballot with the City Secretary beginning February 17, 2003 and no later than 5:00 P.M. on March 19, 2003 and must meet the requirements to serve as a Councilmember, as set forth in the City of Terrell Charter and Code of Ordinances.

A substantive copy of this ordinance shall serve as proper notice of the calling of said election. Said notice, including a Spanish translation hereof, shall be posted in a public place in each election precinct of the City and on the bulletin board used for the posting of meetings of the City Council of the City of Terrell at least 21 days prior to the date of the election by the City Secretary or his designee, who shall make a record at the time of posting stating the date and place of posting to be preserved for the period of preserving precinct election records.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 4th day of March, 2003.
PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 18th day of March, 2003.

APPROVED:

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FRANCES ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JOHN ROUNSAVALL, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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MARY GAYLE RAMSEY, CITY ATTORNEY