

ORDINANCE NO. 1743  
ORDERING CANCELATION FOR THE  
CITY OF BELLVILLE GENERAL ELECTION

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 2, 2026 GENERAL CITY ELECTION, ELECTED TO OFFICE; ORDERING THE CANCELATION OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bellville, Texas is a Type A general law municipality located in Austin County, operating in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Code and was scheduled to conduct a General Election on May 2, 2026 for the purpose of electing three (3) Alderman for the City of Bellville; 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, Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code, authorizes the City Council to declare the candidates elected to office and cancel the election;

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

**Section 1:** The following candidates, who are unopposed in the May 2, 2026 general city election, are declared elected to office, and shall be issued certificates of election following the time the election would have been canvassed:

Alderman	Betty Hollon
Alderman	John Conley II
Alderman	Garrett Dornon

**Section 2:** The May 2, 2026 general city election is canceled, and the City Secretary is directed to cause a copy of this order to be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.

**Section 3:** It is declared to be the intent of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this order are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this order 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 order since the city council would have enacted them without the invalid portion.

**Section 4:** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was adopted and said election was canceled was open to the public and public notice of

the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

**Section 5:** This ordinance and order canceling the election shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage, and it is so ordained.

**PASSED AND APPROVED ON THE 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2026.**



Hon. Arlie Kendrick, Mayor

ATTEST:



Rachael Lynch, City Secretary