

**TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS
ORDINANCE 2026-01**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ARGYLE CALLING A GENERAL ELECTION AND ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURE FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION FOR THREE POSITIONS, ONE AT LARGE ALDERMAN FOR PLACE ONE, ONE AT LARGE ALDERMAN FOR PLACE THREE AND ONE AT LARGE ALDERMAN FOR PLACE FIVE, TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2026, IN THE TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the Town of Argyle, Texas is a Type “A” General Law Municipality located in Denton County, Texas, created in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Section 22.003 of the Local Government Code provides that an election for officers of Type “A” General Law Municipality shall be held annually on an authorized uniform election day; and

WHEREAS, Section 41.001(a) of the Texas Election Code, as amended by the 85th Texas Legislature, establishes the first Saturday of May, 2026, as a Uniform Election Day for the purposes of conducting a General Election; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.004(a)(3) of the Texas Election Code provides that the governing body of a municipality shall be the authority to order a General Election for electing Municipal Officers; and

WHEREAS, the Town approves and agrees to conducting the Town General Election jointly with other political subdivisions in Denton County in accordance with Tex. Elec. Code, Chap. 271, and

WHEREAS, the Town and other political subdivisions in the area have made provision to contract with the Denton County Election Officer to conduct the Town’s election, pursuant to Chapter 31, Tex. Elec. Code, and Chapter 791, Tex. Gov’t. Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS, THAT:

**SECTION 1
GENERAL ELECTION ORDERED**

The Town Council of the Town of Argyle hereby orders that a General Election be held on May 2, 2026, being the first Saturday in May of 2026, for the purposes of electing three citizens at large to serve as Aldermen for a term of two years for Places 1, 3, and 5.

**SECTION 2
PRECINCTS**

The election precinct for said election shall be the regular precincts of Denton County (Precincts 4184, 4197 and 4198) to the extent that they are within the corporate limits of the Town of Argyle.

**SECTION 3
FILING PERIOD**

Candidates for the above offices may file their application beginning at 8:00 a.m. on January 14, 2026, and shall file their applications no later than 5:00 p.m., February 13, 2026. All candidates for the office to file in the election to be held on May 2, 2026, shall file their application to become candidates with the Town Secretary at Town Hall, 308 Denton Street E., Argyle, Texas, on any weekday that is not a Town holiday, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 13) and all of said applications shall be on a form as prescribed by the Election Code of the State of Texas.

**SECTION 4
DRAWING**

The order in which the names of the candidates are to be printed on the ballot shall be determined by a drawing conducted by the Town Secretary as provided by the Election Code. Such drawing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

**SECTION 5
BALLOTS AND PRINTED MATERIALS**

The ballots used for the election shall comply with the Texas Election Code and be in the form provided by the Town to the Denton County Election Administrator (the "Election Administrator") for use on the voting devices and ballots used by Denton County. The official ballots, together with such other election materials as are required by the Tex. Elec. Code, as amended, shall be printed in English and Spanish languages and shall contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law.

**SECTION 7
JOINT ELECTION**

The Town agrees to conduct a joint election with the political subdivisions designated by the Elections Administrator, provided that such political subdivisions hold an election on May 2, 2026 in all or part of the same territory as the Town. The joint election for political subdivisions in Denton County will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, this ordinance, and the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Denton County, which contract for Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Denton County is hereby approved.

**SECTION 8
CONDUCT OF ELECTION**

The Election Administrator and his/her employees and appointees, and the election judges, alternate judges and clerks properly appointed for the election, shall hold and conduct the election in the manner provided by the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services and the law governing the holding of general elections by general law cities of the State of Texas.

**SECTION 9
ELECTION POLLING PLACES**

The election polling places for early voting shall be at the main early voting polling place at 701 Kimberly Drive, Denton, Texas 76208 and at all other locations in Denton County designated by the Denton County Elections Administrator. The required early voting by personal appearance of said election as well as additional times established by the Town Council are as follows (subject to change by Denton County Elections Administration):

Monday	April 20	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	April 21	(No voting due to State Holiday)
Wednesday – Saturday	April 22-April 25, 2026	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	April 26	11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Tuesday	April 27-April 28, 2026	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The election polling place for the general election shall be the Community Room at the Argyle Town Hall, 308 Denton Street E., Argyle, Texas 76226 and at all other locations in Denton County designated by the Denton County Elections Administrator. The polls shall remain open on the day of the election from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Election Officer shall tabulate and provide the election returns for the election. Any polling place may be changed by the Election Officer in compliance with state and federal law.

**SECTION 10
ELECTION OFFICER**

The Election Administrator is appointed to serve as the Town’s Election Officer, Joint Early Voting Clerk and the Joint Custodian of records to conduct the Town’s election on May 2, 2026. As the Town’s Election Officer and Early Voting Clerk, the Election Administrator shall coordinate, supervise, and conduct all aspects of administering voting in the Town’s election in compliance with state law and the Election Services Contract.

**SECTION 11
EARLY VOTING CLERKS**

- (a) In accordance with Sections 31.097 and 271.006 of the Texas Election Code, the following named person is hereby appointed as the Early Voting Clerk of the purposes of conducting said election:

Frank Phillips, Early Voting Clerk

PO Box 1720
Denton, TX 76202
Email: elections@dentoncounty.gov
940-349-3200

- (b) Erika McComis, Town Secretary for the Town of Argyle shall serve as regular early voting clerk.
- (c) Any permanent county employee serving under the Elections Administrator shall serve as deputy early voting clerks.

SECTION 12 EARLY VOTING

Early voting, both by personal appearance and by mail, will be conducted by the Election Officer in accordance with the Texas Election Code. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at places, times, and locations authorized and required by state law and the Election Officer. Early voting by personal appearance shall commence on Monday, April 20, 2026, and continue through Tuesday, April 28, 2026. Early voting by Town residents may be conducted at any Denton County and early voting location or any location exclusively designated by the Election Officer for Town residents. Applications for early voting by mail may be delivered to the Election Officer at the following address: Frank Phillips, Early Voting Clerk (Secretario De Votación Adelantada) PO Box 1720, Denton, TX 76202, EMAIL: elections@dentoncounty.gov. Early voting ballots shall be mailed to the Election Officer at the same address not later than close of business on April 20, 2026.

SECTION 13 ELECTION JUDGES AND CLERKS

The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks for the election shall be selected and appointed by Denton County and its appointees in compliance with the requirements of state law, and such judges and clerks so selected by Denton County and its appointees are hereby designated and appointed by the Town Council as the election officers, judges and clerks, respectively, for the holding of said general election. The presiding judges, alternate presiding judges and clerks shall perform the functions and duties of their respective positions that are provided by state law. The Town Council will further confirm and appoint the election judges and alternate election judges that are appointed by Denton County for the election.

SECTION 14 TOWN SECRETARY

The Town Secretary (the "Town Clerk") or designee is instructed to aid the Election Officer in the acquisition and furnishing of all election supplies and materials necessary to conduct the elections as provided by the Election Service Contract. The Town Clerk will serve as Regular Early Voting Clerk for the Town to receive requests for applications for early voting ballots and forward those applications to the Joint Early Voting Clerk. The Town Clerk is further authorized to give or cause to be given notices required for the election, and to take such other and further actions as is required to conduct the election in compliance with the Tex. Elec. Code; provided

that, pursuant to the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services, the Election Officer shall have the duty and be responsible for organizing and conducting the election in compliance with the Tex. Elec. Code; and for providing all services specified to be provided in the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services. The Election Officer shall give the notices required by the Tex. Elec. Code to be given for the election not required to be given by the Town under the Election Services Contract.

SECTION 15 NOTICE AND PUBLICATION

Notice of the Election shall be given by posting a notice of election in both English and Spanish at Argyle Town Hall located at 308 Denton Street, Argyle, Texas, on the bulletin board not later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date upon which the Election is to be held, and by publication of said notice at least once in the official newspaper of the Town, being a newspaper of general circulation within the Town, the date of said publication to be not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days prior to the date set for the Election. Upon publication of the election notice, the Town Secretary shall secure a publisher's affidavit.

In addition, thereto, a copy of the notice shall also be filed with the Town Secretary at least twenty-one (21) days before the Election.

SECTION 14 GENERAL

The Election Officer shall hold said election in accordance with the Texas Election Code and the Election Services Contract, and only resident, qualified voters of said Town shall be eligible to vote in said election. Returns of said election shall be made known as soon as possible after the closing of the polls; and the election returns shall be canvassed by the Town Council not earlier than May 5, 2026 nor later than May 13, 2026.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE; ELECTION CODE

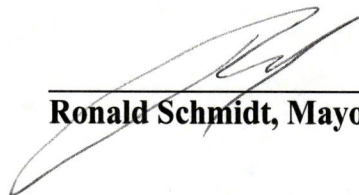
This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage on the date shown below; provided that if any term or provision of this ordinance conflicts with, or is inconsistent with, the Texas Election Code, the Texas Election Code shall govern and control and the Election Officer shall comply with the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 16. OPEN MEETINGS

It is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required in Chapter 551, Tex. Gov't. Code.

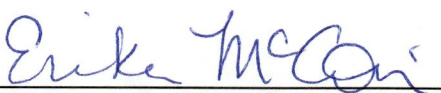
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ARGYLE, TEXAS ON THIS 20th DAY OF JANUARY, 2026.

APPROVED:



Ronald Schmidt, Mayor

ATTEST:



Erika McComis, Town Secretary



ORDER OF ELECTION FOR TOWN OF ARGYLE
ORDEN DE ELECCIONES PARA LA CIUDAD DE ARGYLE

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing the offices of Alderman Place 1, Alderman Place 3, and Alderman Place 5.

Por la presente, se ordena la celebración de unas elecciones el día 2 de mayo de 2026 con el propósito de elegir los siguientes cargos: Concejal Lugar 1, Concejal Lugar 3 y Concejal Lugar 5.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at places, times, and locations authorized and required by state law and the Election Officer and shall commence on Monday, April 20, 2026, and continue through Tuesday, April 28, 2026.

La votación anticipada presencial se llevará a cabo en los lugares, horas y ubicaciones autorizados y exigidos por la ley estatal y el Funcionario Electoral. Comenzará el lunes 20 de abril de 2026 y continuará hasta el martes 28 de abril de 2026.

Applications for a ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Las solicitudes para una boleta de votación por correspondencia deben enviarse a:


Frank Phillips, Early Voting Clerk / *Secretario de Votación Anticipada*
Denton County Elections,
701 Kimberly Drive, Suite A101
Denton, TX 76208
Email: elections@dentoncounty.gov

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 20, 2026.

Las solicitudes para una boleta de votación por correspondencia deben recibirse a más tardar durante la finalización del horario laboral del día 20 de abril de 2026.

Issued this the 20th day of January, 2026.

Emitido el día 20 de enero de 2026.



Signature of Mayor / Firma del Alcalde
Ronald Schmidt, Mayor / Alcalde

On behalf of Mayor Pro Tem Cynthia Hermann
Council Member Martin Brading
Council Member Casey Stewart

Council Member Gustave Svehla
Council Member Chad Boyd

En nombre del Alcalde pro tem Cynthia Hermann
Concejala Martin Brading
Concejala Casey Stewart

Concejal Gustave Svehla
Concejal Chad Boyd

This Order of Election is a part of Ordinance #2026-01 and therefore does not require signatures from each member of Town Council.

Esta Orden de Elecciones es parte de la Ordenanza n.º 2026-01 y, por lo tanto, no requiere firmas de cada miembro del Concejo Municipal.