

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-10**

**A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE EARLY VOTING PERIOD FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION, EXPANDING THE IN-PERSON DELIVERY OF MAIL BALLOTS, AND CHANGING LOCAL ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACES**

**WHEREAS**, the Benbrook City Council adopted Resolution 2020-07 on July 16, 2020 establishing procedures for joint election with Tarrant County Elections Division to be held November 3, 2020 for the following officials for the City of Benbrook, Texas:

Member of the Council, Place 2  
Member of the Council, Place 4  
Member of the Council, Place 6

**WHEREAS**, said Resolution 2020-07 established the early voting dates and hours as well as the deadline to return mail ballots in person, and listed local election day polling places, and

**WHEREAS**, on July 27, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott issued a proclamation suspending Section 85.001(a) of the Texas Election Code to expand the early voting period for the November 3, 2020 elections, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Governor’s proclamation, the early voting period will begin on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 and last through Friday, October 30, 2020. As the proclamation recognizes, this expansion will allow for increased in-person voting opportunities for the November 3, 2020 elections while maintaining appropriate social distancing standards in response to the COVID-19 disaster, and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor issued proclamation also suspends a portion of Section 86.006-(a-1) to allow a voter to hand deliver their marked mail ballot to the early voting clerk’s office before election day.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENBROOK, TEXAS:**

1.

The Early Voting Period for the Joint Election Agreement between Tarrant County and the City of Benbrook, Texas is as follows:

October 13-17	Tuesday-Saturday	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
October 19-23	Monday-Friday	8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
October 24	Saturday	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 25	Sunday	11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
October 26-30	Monday-Friday	7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

2.

That the deadline to hand deliver early voting mail ballots to the Tarrant County Election Administrator is extended that a voter may deliver a marked mail ballot in person to the early voting clerk's office while the polls are open on election day.

3.

That the local Election Day Polling Places shall be:

Trinity Chapel  
6610 Southwest Blvd.  
Fort Worth, TX 76109

Benbrook Community Center  
228 San Angelo Ave.  
Benbrook, TX 76126

Benbrook Community Center/YMCA  
1899 Winscott Rd.  
Benbrook, TX 76126

4.

The City Secretary is hereby authorized to amend the Notice and Order of the election by amending the Early Voting period and the deadline for hand delivery early voting mail ballots.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2020 by the City Council of the City of Benbrook, Texas.

Signed:

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Jerry B. Dittrich, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Joanna King, City Secretary