

ORDINANCE NO. 1321-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1317-16 WHICH ORDERED A SPECIAL ELECTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FORT WORTH TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BY AMENDING SECTION 5(A) TO PROVIDE FOR EARLY VOTING SITES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Richland Hills is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an initiative petition submitted by qualified voters of the City, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1317-16 ordering a special election to determine whether to withdraw from the Fort Worth Transportation Authority; and

WHEREAS, the City has entered into an agreement with the Tarrant County Election Administrator to conduct this election; and

WHEREAS, the Tarrant County Election Administrator has established early voting sites different from that established in Ordinance No. 1317-16; and

WHEREAS, therefore the City Council deems it necessary to amend Ordinance No. 1317-16 to provide for early voting locations.

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

SECTION 1

Section 5(a) is hereby amended to remove the Richland Hills Library at 6724 Rena Drive, Richland Hills, Texas as the main early voting site and replace it with the list of early voting locations set forth on Exhibit "A."

**SECTION 2
PROVISIONS SEVERABLE**

It is hereby declared to be the intention 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 shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

**SECTION 3
EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law, and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 4th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2016.


THE HONORABLE MAYOR BILL AGAN

ATTEST:


CATHY BOURG, CITY SECRETARY

EFFECTIVE DATE: OCTOBER 4, 2016

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:


BETSY ELAM, CITY ATTORNEY

