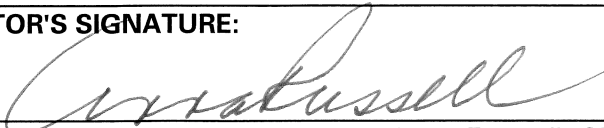


**TO: Mayor via City Secretary REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

<b>SUBJECT:</b> AN ORDINANCE ORDERING AND GIVING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 5, 2018, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FILLING A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER, DISTRICT K, ON THE HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL		<b>Page</b> 1 of 1	<b>Agenda Item</b> #
<b>FROM (Department or other point of origin):</b>  City Secretary		<b>Origination Date</b> 3/14/2018	<b>Agenda Date</b>
<b>DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 		<b>Council District affected:</b>  K	
<b>For additional information contact:</b> Anna Russell, City Secretary  Phone: (832) 393-1100		<b>Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action:</b>  N/A	
<b>RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)</b> That City Council pass an ordinance calling a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Council Member, District K.			
<b>Amount and Source of Funding:</b> N/A			
<b>SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:</b>  The proposed ordinance orders a special election to be held on May 5, 2018, to fill a vacancy in the office of Council Member, District K, resulting from the untimely death of Council Member Larry V. Green on March 6, 2018.  The Texas Constitution and Election Code require that under the current circumstances, a special election must be held to fill the vacancy on May 5, 2018, a uniform election date. The deadline for a governmental body to pass an ordinance calling a special election for the May uniform election date is Tuesday, March 20, 2018.  The City will conduct the election under election services contracts with Harris and Fort Bend Counties.  Candidates may only file applications for a place on the ballot after City Council orders the election to fill the vacancy. Tex. Elec. Code § 201.054(d). The deadline for a candidate to file an application for a place on the ballot is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2018.			
<b>REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION</b>			
<b>Other Authorization:</b>	<b>Other Authorization:</b>	<b>Other Authorization:</b>	