

**ARTICLE IV**  
**CONDUCTING ELECTIONS**

**Section 4.01 Early Voting**

Each qualified voter who desires to cast an absentee vote and who expects to be absent from the county on the day of the City general election, or who meets the requirements of Chapter 82 of the Texas Election Code, shall be entitled to an official ballot and the right to cast such ballot in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. (Amend Ord 92-30, 3/17/92)

**Section 4.02 Place for Holding Election**

In all cases where it is practical so to do, every election shall be held in some school house, fire station or other public building within the limits of the election precinct in which such election is being held. If there be no public building so available, such election may be held in some other building. (Amend Ord 1192, 1/21/58)

**Section 4.03 Molesting Voters**

It is unlawful for any person in his own behalf or in the behalf of another, within one hundred feet (100') of any polling place within the City of Arlington, on the day of holding any general, special or primary election, to in anywise molest any voter, either by personal appeal or solicitation, or by giving to such voter any written or printed matter designed or intended to influence such voter in the marking of his ballot and the casting of his vote for or against any particular candidate or measure to be voted upon at such election. (Code of 1920)

**Section 4.04 Temporary Signs Near Polling Places**

- A. No temporary sign shall be placed, erected, constructed or maintained at a size greater than six (6) square feet nor at a height greater than eight (8) feet in the area within the property lines of the property in which a polling place is located during the voting period, except as otherwise provided by state law. "Voting period" means the period beginning when a poll opens for early voting and election day

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voting and ending when the poll closes or the last voter has voted, whichever is later. Signs shall not be located in City right-of-way.

- B. During the voting period, the placement of temporary signs at the polling place located within the Bob Duncan Center shall be limited to a designated area within the property lines of the Bob Duncan Center provided:
1. the designated area shall be a minimum of 1,500 square feet;
  2. the designated area shall be located near or adjacent to a polling place entry or parking area such that temporary signage is visible to voters accessing the polling place;
  3. signage and other available means shall clearly delineate the boundary of the designated area; and
  4. a map delineating the boundary of the designated area is available in the City Secretary's Office.

In no event may any portion of the designated area be located within 100 feet of an outside door through which a voter may enter the building in which the polling place is located. No sign shall be installed, erected or constructed outside the designated area meeting the above criteria.

- C. A sign which is installed, erected or constructed in violation of this section is subject to removal and disposal without prior notice to the owner of such sign. (Amend Ord 14-009, 2/11/14)

### **Section 4.05 Election Precincts**

The City is hereby divided into election precincts, numbered and described as follows:

- A. Precinct No. 2003: This election precinct shall include those portions of Tarrant County Election Precincts No. 2003 and 2217, lying within the corporate limits of the City of Arlington.
- B. Precinct No. 2027: This election precinct shall include those portions of Tarrant County Election Precincts No. 2002, 2027, 2235, 2320, 2569 and 2659, lying within the corporate limits of the City of Arlington.

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