FILING FOR MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL POSITION - Starting June 5, 2024

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The Mayor and two Council positions will be open for the General Election held November 5, 2024. The Mayor shall be elected for a term of two years, and the City Councilor's shall be elected for a term of four years. No person shall be eligible for an elective office of the City unless at the time of the election he/she is a qualified elector within the meaning of the State Constitution and has resided in the City during the twelve months immediately preceding the elections.

If you are interested in a position, the SEL 101 (Candidate Filing Major Political Party or Nonpartisan); and SEL 121 (Candidate Signature Sheet/ Nonpartisan) will need to be filed.

(You may find them on the State of Oregon's website at the following link: https://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/electionforms.aspx)

Nominations shall be by petition specifying the position, (form SEL121). The petition circulated **must be approved** by the Director of Administration/City Recorder prior to obtaining signatures. The petition shall be signed by not fewer than ten (10) electors. All signatures must be original signatures, and **personally witnessed by the petition circulator**. The circulator's certification must be completed and dated after all signatures have been collected. No additional signatures may be added to the signature sheet once the circulator has signed the certification and dated the sheet. You may want to obtain more than 10 signatures in case someone is not on file as a registered voter.

All forms need to be completed and returned to the Director of Administration/City Recorder no later than **AUGUST 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**

Each candidate must establish a campaign account and file a Statement of Organization (form SEL 220) designating a candidate committee **unless** the candidate meets all three of the following conditions:

- The candidate serves as the candidate's own treasurer;
- The candidate does not have an existing candidate committee; and
- The candidate does not expect to receive or spend more than \$750 during a calendar year

The \$750 includes **personal funds** spent for any campaign-related costs, such as the filing fee and voters' pamphlet filling fee. If at any time during a calendar year the candidate exceeds

\$750 in either contributions or expenditures, the candidate must establish a campaign account and file a candidate committee not later than **three business days** after exceeding the \$750 threshold and file all transactions not later than seven calendar days after the threshold has been exceeded. If a candidate at any time decides that he/she wants to file the candidate committee even though the threshold has not been exceeded, the candidate must be prepared to disclose all transactions that occurred prior to filing the committee as initial assets, as well as all of the transactions that occur after the committee is filed. Contact the Elections Division if you have questions about calculating the deadlines to file the transactions. For Campaign Finance information, forms, etc. you will find on the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.state.or.us/elections/ there phone number is 503-986-1518.

If you would like to have your picture in the voter's pamphlet, contact Marion County Elections Office at 1-800-655-5388. They can provide you with instructions for submitting your information and photo as well as the filing fee.

If you have any questions, you may contact Marion County Elections Division, 555 Court Street NE, #2130, Salem, OR 97301. [(503) 588-5032 or 1-800-655-5388 / TTY (503) 588-5610]; Secretary of State's Office 503-986-1518 or TTY 1-800-735-2900; or Hubbard Director of Administration/City Recorder at 503-981-9633.

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