

# **2022 City Council Candidate Filing Requirements For Wards 2, 4, 6, 8 and Mayor**

## Candidates must file at:

Cleveland County Election Board, 641 East Robinson, Suite 200

## Qualifications:

All candidates must be a qualified voter in the city of Norman for six months prior to the date of the municipal election. Councilmember candidates must also live in the Ward at the time of filing.

Filing Date: December 6, 7, 8, 2021

Election Dates: February 8th, 2022 (Municipal) & April 5th, 2022 (Runoff)

In the event no candidate receives a majority of all the votes cast at the municipal election the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will stand in a municipal runoff.

#### **Procedures:**

- (1) Submit a written declaration of candidacy setting forth the candidate's name as he or she desires it to appear upon the ballot, address by street number, and the name of the office to become a candidate; and
- (2) Councilmember Candidates: <u>Cashier's check or certified check</u> in the amount of \$50.00; or in the alternative by a petition supporting the candidate's filing signed by 50 registerd voters eligible to vote for the candidate for the position. The check shall be returned to the candidate immediately if the candidate is unopposed in the Municipal Election, receives more than fifteen percent (15%) of the total votes cast in the Municipal Election, or becomes a candidate in the Municipal Runoff Election.
- (3) Mayor Candidates: <u>Cashier's check or certified check</u> in the amount of \$75.00; or in the alternative by a petition supporting the candidate's filing signed by 75 registerd voters eligible to vote for the candidate for the position. The check shall be returned to the candidate immediately if the candidate is unopposed in the Municipal Election, receives more than fifteen percent (15%) of the total votes cast in the Municipal Election, or becomes a candidate in the Municipal Runoff Election.

CANDIDATES WILL FILE THE DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY AND FILING FEE OR PETITION WITH:

CLEVELAND COUNTY ELECTION BOARD 641 E. ROBINSON STREET, #200 NORMAN, OKLAHOMA 73071 405-366-0210

## **Voter Registration**

The deadline is January 14, 2022, to register to vote or change your registration for the February 8, 2022, municipal City Council Wards 2, 4, 6, 8 and Mayoral elections.

Visit <u>ok.gov/elections</u> to download a <u>voter registration application</u> or get more information on <u>registering to vote</u>. You can also get voter registration applications at the <u>state election board office</u>, your <u>county election board office</u>, tag agencies and libraries.

If the winner of the Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> election earns a majority of the votes, that candidate will be sworn in to a two-year term for Councilmembers and a three-year term for Mayor on July 5<sup>th</sup>. If no candidate receives a majority, the two candidates with the most votes will stand in a decisive runoff election April 5<sup>th</sup>.

The Norman Council is nonpartisan and members serve part-time at the head of the City's Council-Manager form of government.

# **Voting Information**

All Norman voters registered by the Jan. 14th deadline are eligible to vote in the municipal election Feb. 8th.

Use your voter ID card or the Oklahoma State Election Board's <u>online voter tool</u> at <u>ok.gov/elections</u> to find your polling location or confirm your registration.

Voters who have disabilities can find more information about <u>voter assistance</u> in Oklahoma at ok.gov/elections.

<u>State law</u> requires proof of identity to vote. Acceptable forms of ID are a voter ID card, driver's license or another form of ID issued by the federal government, state government or federally recognized tribal government.

The deadline to submit request for an absentee ballot by mail for the municipal election is 5:00 p.m. Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>. Apply for an absentee ballot or download an absentee ballot request form at ok.gov/elections.

Overseas voters, including military members, can get more information about <u>overseas absentee</u> <u>voting</u> at <u>ok.gov/elections</u>.

Early voting for the municipal election is 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> at the:

Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 615 E Robinson Street in Norman

Regular voting is 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at your usual polling location.

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Candidate Orientation Session for Candidates and their Treasurers

December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. located at 201 W. Gray St, City Council Chambers

\*Candidate Manuals will be provided at this session\*