Helpful Tips to complete the

Application for Place on the Ballot 2026

The first blank is requesting the name of the election:

- Fill in with the election you want your name to appear on the ballot – example: **May 2, 2026 Burleson, May 2, 2026 City Council** or **City of Burleson** or **May 2, 2026**
- Best option would be May 2, 2026 Burleson

Office Sought:

- MUST include the place you are applying for – example: Mayor, Place 2, Place 4, or Place 6
- Should state City Council – This is the place where you are **clearly communicating** what you are running for
- IDEAL and BEST Statement here is: City Council Place XX

Indicate Term:

- For the May 2, 2026 General election all terms are FULL

Full Name:

- Use your name as it would be found on the voter registration list or on your voter card
- This name will be used to determine your voter eligibility and age

Print Name as you want it to appear on ballot:

- This is totally up to the person running for office; it's how people know you
    - Example: John Thomas Smith (Full Name) JT Smith or Tom Smith (Name on ballot)
- Cannot be a statement or any campaign slogan

Permanent residence address:

- This is usually the address you are registered to vote to be eligible to run for city council
- This MUST be an address within the City of Burleson city limits to be eligible to run for city council
- If the residence has no address the address at which the candidate receives mail and a concise description of the location of the candidate's residence. Texas Election Code define 'residency' = Sec. 1.015. RESIDENCE. (a) In this code, "residence" means domicile, that is, one's home and fixed place of habitation to which one intends to return after any temporary absence

Public Mailing Address:

- This is completely optional – at times candidates set up a dedicated PO Box or campaign headquarter address for all correspondence

Public Email Address:

- This is completely optional – at times candidates set up a dedicated email address for communications directly related to campaign
- If an email is provided we can use that for communications and filing of campaign treasurer reporting

Occupation:

- This MUST be filled out for the application to be valid

Date of birth:

- This MUST be filled out for the application to be valid

Voter Registration VUID number

- This is optional however it's helpful to have the number to verify voter registration status
- Being a registered voter of the City of Burleson is **required – check website for election information listing all requirements**

Telephone Contact Information

- This is completely optional

Felony Conviction Status

- This MUST be filled out for the application to be valid

Length of Continuous Residence as of the date of the application was sworn

- In the State of Texas
  - This is the total time you have been a resident of the State of Texas at one time
  - Example: Born and raised in Burleson (18 years) Moved to College outside of the city but in Texas (4 years) Moved back to Burleson (2 years) The total residence for this application purpose is 24 years

- In the Territory/District/Precinct from which the office is sought to be elected
  - This is the time you have been a resident of the city of Burleson at one time – Cannot use your collective time in the city if you have moved outside the city limits
  - Example: Born and raised in Burleson (18 years) Moved to College outside of the city (4 years) Moved back to Burleson (2 years) The total residence for this application purpose is 2 years.

The Sworn Statement portion of the application:

- Name of Candidate – Is your Fully Name as you wrote previous on this application
- County – Is the county you reside in
- Candidate for the office of – Is the office sought as you wrote previous on this application

The notary will fill out their portion please do not fill out for them. We have notaries here at city hall if you need at no charge.

Provide time for us to review - consider not waiting until the final day and hour to allow corrections if necessary.

This is a public document and will be fully released if requested by the public. If you believe you have an exception there is a request for confidentiality form to fill out.