



CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE PACKET

MAY 2, 2026

GENERAL ELECTION

On the ballot for this election:

- ✓ Mayor
- ✓ Council Place 2
- ✓ Council Place 4
- ✓ Council Place 6

Prepared by the City Secretary's Office – City of Burleson

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FAQS

Running for
City Council

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Candidate Quick Reference - May 2, 2026 General Election

How do I get my name on the ballot?

File form 2-49 - Application for Place on the Ballot (enclosed) with the City Secretary within the filing period: **January 14, 2026 to February 13, 2026.**

There are several ways you can file your application either in person on via email, mail, or fax.

- **In Person:** City Secretary's Office, Burleson City Hall 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, TX 76028 call or text 817-291-5846 to make an appointment.
- **Mail/Email:** IMPORTANT – When filing all the paperwork must be filled, including signed and notarized. When using electronic signatures the notary must be certified to perform online notary in compliance with Chapter 406 Subchapter C.

The official email to send completed paperwork to: elections@burlesontx.com

Mail completed paperwork to: City Secretary – Elections, 141 W Renfro, Burleson, TX 76028

ALL APPLICATIONS NEED TO BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY SECRETARY OFFICE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 13, 2026 for regular filing.

Write-in candidates can file on or before February 17, 2026

Can another person deliver the application?

Yes as long as the application is completed, signed, and notarized.

Can a candidate amend their application after it has been submitted?

No. If an application needs to be corrected before the deadline for filing the candidate will have to formally withdraw and submit a new application.

Will I know immediately if my application is accepted?

That is the goal, however it will take time to verify information and determination to be made. Every effort is made to speed up the process and provide an answer in less than 24 hours. Any rejection will be written.

Completed paperwork submitted is not the same as a filed. The filing official or designee will sign and date the filed status.

What places are on the ballot for the May 2, 2026 election and how long are the terms?

Mayor and Council Places 2, 4, and 6 are up for election this year. All are full three-year terms.

Are the different council places related to physical locations? Do I have to live in a certain area of the city to run in a specific place?

No, all the places are at-large meaning anywhere within the corporate limits of the City of Burleson.

Can a candidate for city council have a party affiliation listed on their application?

No all local elections for city council are non-partisan. The application does not have a space for party affiliation.

Does it cost money to run for City Council?

No, there is no fee associated with running for City Council in the City of Burleson.

Is being a councilmember or mayor a full time job? Do I get paid?

No, service on the City Council is not a full time job, however, council meeting attendance requirements do exist. Each member of council, including the mayor, is paid \$5 per regularly scheduled meeting attended.

How often does council meet, where, and what time?

City Council regular council meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. They are held at Burleson City Hall in the council chambers. There are several times during the year that special council meetings are held, usually on an as needed basis.

Members of the city council are asked to serve on Council Committees and these meetings are normally held during the date and vary in frequency. It is not mandatory to serve on a council committee.

As a candidate for City Council with whom and where do I file my paperwork?

All required paperwork is filed with the City Secretary in person at 141 W. Renfro St, Burleson, TX 76028 or emailed elections@burlesontx.com.

Please remember it is each candidate's responsibility to meet all required deadlines. Check your election calendar and packet information often.

As always, if you have questions or need any clarification please contact the city secretary:

Amanda Campos

City Secretary

Email: elections@burlesontx.com

Phone: 817-426-9665

Text: 817-291-5846

*Election Calendar
For May 2, 2026 Election*

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May 2, 2026 General Election Date Calendar

January 5, 2026

First day candidate packets are available (through City Secretary's Office)

- City Secretary's Office
Burleson City Hall 141 W. Renfro
Hard copies will be in the entry available 24 hours
- January 5, January 20 or February 2 – Available at council meetings will be at the back table
- If you have any trouble finding a candidate packet contact us at:
elections@burlesontx.com or text 817.291.5846
- Download from website: [Elections | Burleson, TX - Official Website \(burlesontx.com\)](https://www.burlesontx.com/elections)

January 14, 2026

First day to file for place on the ballot

Quick references: **How To** on website or in this packet

- **Email or Text to make an appointment to file the application**
 - elections@burlesontx.com or 817.291.5846

February 13, 2026

Last day to file for place on the ballot

- Application must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the final day
 - **note: allow time for review, if there is a correction after the deadline that will affect your ability to run for city council.**

February 17, 2026

Last day to file as write-in candidate

February 20, 2026

Last day for candidate to withdraw name from the ballot.

February 23, 2026

Drawing for order of names on the ballot

Burleson City Hall 141 W. Renfro. – The City Secretary's Office will send out communication to all candidates beforehand with details on drawing.

April 2, 2026

Last day for voter to register to be eligible to vote in May 2, 2026 General Election

Registration must be submitted to either Johnson County Election Administrator or Tarrant County Election Administrator depending on county of resident.

Johnson County Election Administrator: Phone 817-556-6197 or
www.johnsoncountytexas.org/departments/elections-office

Tarrant County Election Administrator: Phone 817-831-8683 or
www.tarrantcounty.com/elections

30 day Report due for non-modified filing candidate

April 20, 2026 to April 28, 2026 – NO voting on Sunday April 26, 2026

Voting by personal appearance

The City of Burleson will conduct all voting – Early Voting and Election Day

Johnson County Sub-Courthouse, 247 Elk Drive, Room 212, Burleson, Texas 76028.

April 24, 2026

8 day Report due for non-modified filing candidate

May 2, 2026

Election Day

Application for
Place on the Ballot
(What you need to file)

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APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE BALLOT FOR A GENERAL ELECTION FOR A CITY, SCHOOL DISTRICT OR OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNLESS INDICATED AS OPTIONAL¹ Failure to provide required information may result in rejection of application.

APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE _____ GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT					
TO: City Secretary/Secretary of Board _____ (name of election)					
I request that my name be placed on the above-named official ballot as a candidate for the office indicated below.					
OFFICE SOUGHT (Include any place number or other distinguishing number, if any.)				INDICATE TERM <input type="checkbox"/> FULL <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPIRED	
FULL NAME (First, Middle, Last)			PRINT NAME AS YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT*		
PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Do not include a P.O. Box or Rural Route. If you do not have a residence address, describe location of residence.)			PUBLIC MAILING ADDRESS (Optional) (Address for which you receive campaign related correspondence, if available.)		
CITY	STATE	ZIP	CITY	STATE	ZIP
PUBLIC EMAIL ADDRESS (Optional) (Address for which you receive campaign related emails, if available.)		OCCUPATION (Do not leave blank)	DATE OF BIRTH / /	VOTER REGISTRATION VOID NUMBER² (Optional)	
TELEPHONE CONTACT INFORMATION (Optional) Home: _____ Office: _____ Cell: _____					
FELONY CONVICTION STATUS (You MUST check one)		LENGTH OF CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE AS OF DATE THIS APPLICATION WAS SWORN			
<input type="checkbox"/> I have not been finally convicted of a felony. <input type="checkbox"/> I have been finally convicted of a felony, but I have been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities of that felony conviction and I have provided proof of this fact with the submission of this application. ³		IN THE STATE OF TEXAS		IN TERRITORY/DISTRICT/PRECINCT FROM WHICH THE OFFICE SOUGHT IS ELECTED	
		_____ year(s) _____ month(s)		_____ year(s) _____ month(s)	
This Box Must ONLY be Completed by Candidates for School District Board of Trustees					
Check the Box Below:					
<input type="checkbox"/> I am aware that I am not eligible to serve as a trustee of an independent school district if I am required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62, Code of Criminal Procedure.					
*If using a nickname as part of your name to appear on the ballot, you are also signing and swearing to the following statements: I further swear that my nickname does not constitute a slogan or contain a title, nor does it indicate a political, economic, social, or religious view or affiliation. I have been commonly known by this nickname for at least three years prior to this election. Please review sections 52.031, 52.032 and 52.033 of the Texas Election Code regarding the rules for how names may be listed on the official ballot.					
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared (name of candidate) _____, who being by me here and now duly sworn, upon oath says: "I, (name of candidate) _____, of _____ County, Texas, Being a candidate for the office of _____, swear that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Texas. I am a citizen of the United States eligible to hold such office under the constitution and laws of this state. I have not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote. I am aware of the nepotism law, Chapter 573, Government Code. I am aware that I must disclose any prior felony conviction, and if so convicted, must provide proof that I have been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities of any such final felony conviction. I am aware that knowingly providing false information on the application regarding my possible felony conviction status constitutes a Class B misdemeanor. I further swear that the foregoing statements included in my application are in all things true and correct.					
X _____					
SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE					
Sworn to and subscribed before me this the _____ day of _____, _____, by _____.					
(day) (month) (year) (name of candidate)					
Signature of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath ⁴			Printed Name of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath		
_____			Notarial or Official Seal		
Title of Officer Authorized to Administer Oath					
TO BE COMPLETED BY FILING OFFICER: THIS APPLICATION IS ACCOMPANIED BY THE REQUIRED FILING FEE (If Applicable) PAID BY:					
<input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK <input type="checkbox"/> MONEY ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> CASHIERS CHECK OR <input type="checkbox"/> PETITION IN LIEU OF A FILING FEE.					
This document and \$_____ filing fee or a nominating petition of _____ pages received. <input type="checkbox"/> Voter Registration Status Verified					
_____/_____/_____		_____/_____/_____		(See Section 1.007)	
Date Received		Date Accepted		Signature of Filing Officer or Designee Page10	

INSTRUCTIONS

An application for a place on the general election for a city, school district or other political subdivision, may not be filed earlier than 30 days before the deadline prescribed by this code for filing the application. An application filed before that day is void. All fields of the application **must** be completed unless specifically marked optional.

For an election to be held on a uniform election date, the day of the filing deadline is the 78th day before Election Day.

If you have questions about the application, please contact the Secretary of State's Elections Division at 800-252-8683.

NEPOTISM LAW

The candidate must sign this statement indicating his awareness of the nepotism law. When a candidate signs the application, it is an acknowledgment that the candidate is aware of the nepotism law. The nepotism prohibitions of chapter 573, Government Code, are summarized below:

No officer may appoint, or vote for or confirm the appointment or employment of any person related within the second degree by affinity (marriage) or the third degree by consanguinity (blood) to the officer, or to any other member of the governing body or court on which the officer serves when the compensation of that person is to be paid out of public funds or fees of office. However, nothing in the law prevents the appointment, voting for, or confirmation of anyone who has been continuously employed in the office or employment for the following period prior to the election or appointment of the officer or member related to the employee in the prohibited degree: six months, if the officer or member is elected at an election other than the general election for state and county officers.

No candidate may take action to influence an employee of the office to which the candidate is seeking election or an employee or officer of the governmental body to which the candidate is seeking election regarding the appointment or employment of a person related to the candidate in a prohibited degree as noted above. This prohibition does not apply to a candidate's actions with respect to a bona fide class or category of employees or prospective employees.

FOOTNOTES

¹An application for a place on the ballot, including any accompanying petition, is public information immediately on its filing. (Section 141.035, Texas Election Code)

²Inclusion of a candidate's VUID is optional. However, many candidates are required to be registered voters in the territory from which the office is elected at the time of the filing deadline. Please visit the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's website for additional information. <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/voter-reg-req-candidate-faq.shtml>

³Proof of release from the resulting disabilities of a felony conviction would include proof of judicial clemency under Texas Code of Criminal Procedure 42A.701, proof of executive pardon under Texas Code of Criminal Procedure 48.01, or proof of a restoration of rights under Texas Code of Criminal Procedure 48.05. (Texas Attorney General Opinion KP-0251)

One of the following documents must be submitted with this application.

Judicial Clemency under Texas Code of Criminal Procedure 42A.701

Executive Pardon under Texas Code of Criminal Procedure 48.01

Restoration of Rights under Texas Code of Criminal Procedure 48.05

⁴All oaths, affidavits, or affirmations made within this State may be administered and a certificate of the fact given by a judge, clerk, or commissioner of any court of record, a notary public, a justice of the peace, city secretary (for a city office), and the Secretary of State of Texas. See Chapter 602 of the Texas Government Code for the complete list of persons authorized to administer oaths.

INSTRUCCIONES

Una solicitud para un lugar en la elección general para una ciudad, distrito escolar u otra subdivisión política, no puede ser presentada antes de los 30 días antes de la fecha límite prescrita por este código para presentar la solicitud. Una solicitud presentada antes de ese día es nula. Todos los campos de la solicitud **deben** completarse a menos que estén específicamente marcados como opcional.

Para una elección que se lleve a cabo en una fecha de elección uniforme, el día de la fecha límite de presentación es el 7^o día antes del día de la elección.

Si tiene preguntas sobre la solicitud, por favor póngase en contacto con la División de Elecciones del Secretario de Estado llamando al 800-252-8683.

LEY DE NEPOTISMO

El candidato debe firmar esta declaración indicando su conocimiento de la ley del nepotismo. Cuando un candidato firma la solicitud, es un reconocimiento de que el candidato conoce la ley del nepotismo. Las prohibiciones de nepotismo del capítulo 573, Código de Gobierno, se resumen a continuación:

Ningún funcionario puede nombrar, votar o confirmar el nombramiento o empleo de cualquier persona emparentada dentro del segundo grado por afinidad (matrimonio) o del tercer grado por consanguinidad (sangre) con sí mismo, o con cualquier otro miembro del órgano de gobierno o corte en el que se desempeña cuando la compensación de esa persona debe pagarse con fondos públicos o honorarios del cargo. Sin embargo, nada en la ley impide el nombramiento, la votación o la confirmación de cualquier persona que haya estado empleada continuamente en la oficina o el empleo durante el período siguiente antes de la elección o el nombramiento del funcionario o miembro emparentado con el empleado en el grado prohibido: seis meses, si el funcionario o miembro es elegido en una elección que no sea la elección general para funcionarios estatales y del condado.

Ningún candidato puede tomar medidas para influir en un empleado del cargo al que aspira a ser elegido o en un empleado o funcionario del organismo gubernamental al que aspira a ser elegido en relación con el nombramiento o el empleo de una persona emparentada con el candidato en un grado prohibido, tal como se ha indicado anteriormente. Esta prohibición no se aplica a las acciones de un candidato con respecto a una clase o categoría de buena fe de empleados o empleados prospectos.

NOTAS

¹Una solicitud para un lugar en la boleta electoral, incluida cualquier petición que la acompañe, es información pública inmediatamente después de su presentación. (Sección 141.035, Código Electoral de Texas)

²La inclusión del número único de identificación de votante (VUID, por sus siglas en Inglés) es opcional. Sin embargo, a muchos candidatos se les exige que estén registrados como votantes en el territorio desde el cual se elige el cargo en el momento de la fecha límite de presentación. Por favor, visite el sitio web de la División de Elecciones de la Secretaría de Estado para obtener información adicional. <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/voter-reg-req-candidate-faq.shtml>

³La prueba de liberación de las discapacidades resultantes de una condena por un delito grave incluiría prueba de clemencia judicial según el Código de Procedimiento Penal de Texas 42A.701, prueba de indulto ejecutivo según el Código de Procedimiento Penal de Texas 48.01, o prueba de una restauración de derechos según el Código de Procedimiento Penal de Texas 48.05. (Opinión de Fiscal General de Texas KP-0251)

Se debe enviar uno de los siguientes documentos con esta solicitud:

Clemencia judicial según el Código de Procedimiento Penal de Texas 42A.701

Prueba de indulto ejecutivo según el Código de Procedimiento Penal de Texas 48.01

Prueba de una restauración de derechos según el Código de Procedimiento Penal de Texas 48.05

⁴Todos los juramentos, declaraciones juradas o afirmaciones hechas dentro de este estado pueden ser administrados y un certificado del hecho dado por un juez, secretario(a) o comisionado de cualquier corte de registro, un notario público, un juez de paz, secretario municipal (para una oficina de la ciudad) y el Secretario de Estado de Texas. Consulte el Capítulo 602 del Código del Gobierno de Texas para obtener la lista completa de personas autorizadas a administrar juramentos.



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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.

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FILE AN APPLICATION FOR PLACE ON THE BALLOT VIA MAIL, E-MAIL OR FAX

An application for a place on the ballot can be obtained from the Office of the City Secretary at City Hall ,
141 W. Renfro or www.burlesontx.com/elections and submitted to that office beginning

January 14, 2026, through February 13, 2026, by 5:00 p.m.

Instructions to Submit an Application by Mail-

1. Print Application
2. Complete All Blanks
3. Sign and Date the Application
4. Get Application Notarized Prior to Sending
5. Affix Postage
 - a. If you printed the application you must place it in your own envelope and add postage.
6. Address and Mail **Completed, Notarized and Signed** Application to City Secretary Office :

City Secretary's Office, Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, TX 76028

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Instructions to Submit an Application by Email or Fax-

1. Print Application
2. Complete All Blanks
3. Sign and Date
4. Get Application Notarized Prior to Sending
 - a. **Scan and email completed, notarized and signed** application to elections@burlesontx.com
 - b. **When using electronic signatures the notary must be certified to perform online notary services in compliance with Chapter 406 Subchapter C.**
 - c. **Fax completed, notarized and signed** application to **817-426-9374**

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CITY OF BURLESON

PRESENTAR UNA SOLICITUD DE LUGAR EN LA BOLETA ELECTORAL POR CORREO, CORREO ELECTRÓNICO O FAX

Se puede obtener una solicitud para un lugar en la boleta electoral en la Oficina del Secretario de la Ciudad y entregar en esa oficina a partir del **14 de enero de 2026** hasta el **13 de febrero de 2026** a las **5:00 p. m.**

Horas de Oficina: Lunes a Viernes 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.

Instrucciones para Enviar una Solicitud por Correo-

1. Imprimir Solicitud
2. Completa Todos los Lugares Vacíos
3. Firmar y Fechar la Solicitud
4. Obtenga la Solicitud Notariada Antes de Enviarla
5. Agregar Franqueo
 - a. Si imprimió la solicitud, debe colocarla en su propio sobre y agregar el franqueo.
6. Poner la Dirección en el Sobre y Envíar la Solicitud **Completa, Notariada y Firmada** por Correo a la Oficina del Secretaria de la Ciudad:

City Secretary's Office, Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, TX 76028

TODAS LAS SOLICITUDES DEBEN *RECIBIRSE* EN LA OFICINA DEL SECRETARIA DE LA CIUDAD ANTES DEL 13 DE FEBRERO DE 2026

Instrucciones para Enviar una Solicitud por Correo Electrónico o Fax-

1. Imprimir Solicitud
2. Completa Todos los Lugares Vacíos
3. Firmar y Fechar la Solicitud
4. Obtenga la Solicitud Notariada Antes de Enviarla
 - a. **Escanee** y envíe por **correo electrónico** la solicitud **completa, notariada y firmada** a elections@burlesontx.com
 - b. **Envíe por fax** la solicitud **completa, notariada y firmada** al **817-426-9374**

TODAS LAS SOLICITUDES DEBEN *RECIBIRSE* EN LA OFICINA DEL SECRETARIA DE LA CIUDAD ANTES DEL 13 DE FEBRERO DE 2026

Appointing your
Campaign Treasurer
(form and instructions)

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Campaign Local Filers (candidates for city elections)

Who do you file the campaign filing reports with?

For all City of Burleson elections you must file with the City Secretary NOT with the State. You may file by paper in person or electronically by following the filing rules set out by the City Secretary.

We will have a new software available to each candidate that will provide a way for you to file your paperwork with us 24 hours.

Do I have to file all the campaign filing reports?

If you file a CTA (Campaign Treasurer Appointment) you must file campaign filing reports. Which reports and deadlines depend on if you are filing modified or not. A modified filer states they will not spend or receive more than \$1,140. If you will spend or receive more than \$1,140 follow the filing deadlines.

Filing deadlines

January 15 (Semiannual) Forms found under C/OH – This report should cover all your finances from **July 1 to December 31**.

January 15 Unexpended contribution (C/OH – UC forms) Exactly what it is states all unexpended funds in your campaign from **January 1 to December 31**.

July 15 Forms found under C/OH – This report should cover all your finances from **January 1 to June 30**

30 day report due 30 days prior to the election – For the May 2, 2026 Election that is **April 2, 2026**

8 day report due 8 days prior to the election – For the May 2, 2026 Election that is **April 24, 2026**

Final Report (closing out your campaign)

If you file Modify filing that does not mean you do not have to file a Final Report – all candidates must file a final report when they do not have activity on the campaign. If you wish to keep open for a future election you may but you will need to pay attention to the required Semiannual reports.

Email questions to elections@burlesontx.com or text 817-291-5846.

CANDIDATE MODIFIED REPORTING DECLARATION

FORM CTA
PG 2

11 CANDIDATE
NAME

12 MODIFIED
REPORTING
DECLARATION

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF YOU ARE CHOOSING MODIFIED REPORTING

•• This declaration must be filed no later than the 30th day before the first election to which the declaration applies. ••

•• The modified reporting option is valid for one election cycle only. ••
(An election cycle includes a primary election, a general election, and any related runoffs.)

• Candidates for the office of state chair of a political party may NOT choose modified reporting. ••

I do not intend to accept more than \$1,140 in political contributions or make more than \$1,140 in political expenditures (excluding filing fees) in connection with any future election within the election cycle. I understand that if either one of those limits is exceeded, I will be required to file pre-election reports and, if necessary, a runoff report.

Year of election(s) or election cycle to
which declaration applies

Signature of Candidate

This appointment is effective on the date it is filed with the appropriate filing authority.

TEC Filers may send this form to the TEC electronically at treasappoint@ethics.state.tx.us
or mail to
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Austin, TX 78711-2070

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APPOINTMENT OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER BY A CANDIDATE

FORM CTA--INSTRUCTION GUIDE



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APPOINTMENT OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER BY A CANDIDATE

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

These instructions are for the APPOINTMENT OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER BY A CANDIDATE (Form CTA). Use Form CTA only for appointing your campaign treasurer. Use the AMENDMENT (Form ACTA) for changing information previously reported on Form CTA and for renewing your choice to report under the modified schedule. Note: Candidates for most judicial offices use Form JCTA to file a campaign treasurer appointment.

DUTIES OF A CANDIDATE OR OFFICEHOLDER

As a candidate or officeholder, you alone, not the campaign treasurer, are responsible for filing this form and all candidate/officeholder reports of contributions, expenditures, and loans. Failing to file a report on time or filing an incomplete report may subject you to criminal or civil penalties.

QUALIFICATIONS OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER

A person is ineligible for appointment as a campaign treasurer if the person is the campaign treasurer of a political committee that has outstanding filing obligations (including outstanding penalties). This prohibition does not apply if the committee in connection with which the ineligibility arose has not accepted more than \$5,000 in political contributions or made more than \$5,000 in political expenditures in any semiannual reporting period. A person who violates this prohibition is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed three times the amount of political contributions accepted or political expenditures made in violation of this provision. Note: A candidate may appoint himself or herself as his or her own campaign treasurer.

DUTIES OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER

State law does not impose any obligations on a candidate's campaign treasurer.

REQUIREMENT TO FILE BEFORE BEGINNING A CAMPAIGN

If you plan to run for a public office in Texas (except for a federal office), you must file this form when you become a candidate even if you do not intend to accept campaign contributions or make campaign expenditures. A "candidate" is a person who knowingly and willingly takes affirmative action for the purpose of gaining nomination or election to public office or for the purpose of satisfying financial obligations incurred by the person in connection with the campaign for nomination or election. Examples of affirmative action include:

- (A) the filing of a campaign treasurer appointment, except that the filing does not constitute candidacy or an announcement of candidacy for purposes of the automatic resignation provisions of Article XVI, Section 65, or Article XI, Section 11, of the Texas Constitution;
- (B) the filing of an application for a place on the ballot;

- (C) the filing of an application for nomination by convention;
- (D) the filing of a declaration of intent to become an independent candidate or a declaration of write-in candidacy;
- (E) the making of a public announcement of a definite intent to run for public office in a particular election, regardless of whether the specific office is mentioned in the announcement;
- (F) before a public announcement of intent, the making of a statement of definite intent to run for public office and the soliciting of support by letter or other mode of communication;
- (G) the soliciting or accepting of a campaign contribution or the making of a campaign expenditure; and
- (H) the seeking of the nomination of an executive committee of a political party to fill a vacancy.

Additionally, the law provides that you must file this form before you may accept a campaign contribution or make or authorize a campaign expenditure, including an expenditure from your personal funds. A filing fee paid to a filing authority to qualify for a place on a ballot is a campaign expenditure that may not be made before filing a campaign treasurer appointment form with the proper filing authority.

If you are an officeholder, you may make officeholder expenditures and accept officeholder contributions without having a campaign treasurer appointment on file. If you do not have a campaign treasurer appointment on file and you wish to accept *campaign* contributions or make *campaign* expenditures in connection with your office or for a different office, you must file this form before doing so. In such a case, a sworn report of contributions, expenditures, and loans will be due no later than the 15th day after filing this form.

WHERE TO FILE A CAMPAIGN TREASURER APPOINTMENT

The appropriate filing authority depends on the office sought or held.

a. Texas Ethics Commission. The Texas Ethics Commission (Commission) is the appropriate filing authority for the Secretary of State and for candidates for or holders of the following offices:

- Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller, Treasurer, Land Commissioner, Agriculture Commissioner, Railroad Commissioner.
- State Senator or State Representative.
- Supreme Court Justice, Court of Criminal Appeals Judge, and Court of Appeals Judge.*

- State Board of Education.
- A multi-county district judge* or multi-county district attorney.
- A single-county district judge.*
- An office of a political subdivision other than a county if the political subdivision includes areas in more than one county and if the governing body of the political subdivision has not been formed.
- A chair of the state executive committee of a political party with a nominee on the ballot in the most recent gubernatorial election.
- A county chair of a political party with a nominee on the ballot in the most recent gubernatorial election if the county has a population of 350,000 or more.

* Judicial candidates use FORM JCTA to appoint a campaign treasurer.

b. County Clerk. The county clerk (or the county elections administrator or tax assessor, as applicable) is the appropriate local filing authority for a candidate for:

- A county office.
- A precinct office.
- A district office (except for multi-county district offices).
- An office of a political subdivision other than a county if the political subdivision is within the boundaries of a single county and if the governing body of the political subdivision has not been formed.
- An elected position on the board of directors of an appraisal district.

c. Local Filing Authority. If a candidate is seeking an office of a political subdivision other than a county, the appropriate filing authority is the *clerk or secretary of the governing body* of the political subdivision. If the political subdivision has no clerk or secretary, the appropriate filing authority is the governing body's presiding officer. Basically, any political subdivision that is authorized by the laws of this state to hold an election is considered a local filing authority. Examples are cities, school districts, and municipal utility districts.

FILING WITH A DIFFERENT AUTHORITY

If you have a campaign treasurer appointment on file with one authority, and you wish to accept campaign contributions or make or authorize campaign expenditures in connection with another office that would require filing with a different authority, you must file a new campaign treasurer appointment *and* a copy of your old campaign treasurer appointment (certified by the old authority) with the new filing authority before beginning your campaign. You should also

provide written notice to the original filing authority that your future reports will be filed with another authority; use Form CTA-T for this purpose.

FORMING A POLITICAL COMMITTEE

As a candidate, you must file an APPOINTMENT OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER BY A CANDIDATE (FORM CTA). You may also form a specific-purpose committee to support your candidacy. Remember that filing a campaign treasurer appointment for a political committee does not eliminate the requirement that a candidate file his or her own campaign treasurer appointment (FORM CTA) and the related reports.

NOTE: *See the Campaign Finance Guide for Political Committees for further information about specific-purpose committees.*

CHANGING A CAMPAIGN TREASURER

If you wish to change your campaign treasurer, simply file an amended campaign treasurer appointment (FORM ACTA). This will automatically terminate the outgoing campaign treasurer appointment.

AMENDING A CAMPAIGN TREASURER APPOINTMENT

If *any* of the information reported on the campaign treasurer appointment (FORM CTA) changes, file an AMENDMENT: APPOINTMENT OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER BY A CANDIDATE (FORM ACTA) to report the change.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN OFFICEHOLDERS

If you are an officeholder who appoints a campaign treasurer after a period of not having one, you must file a report of contributions, expenditures, and loans no later than the 15th day after your appointment is effective. This requirement is not applicable if you are a candidate or an officeholder who is merely changing campaign treasurers.

TERMINATING A CAMPAIGN TREASURER APPOINTMENT

You may terminate your campaign treasurer appointment at any time by:

- 1) filing a campaign treasurer appointment for a successor campaign treasurer, or
- 2) filing a final report.

Remember that you may not accept any campaign contributions or make or authorize any campaign expenditures without a campaign treasurer appointment on file. You may, however, accept officeholder contributions and make or authorize officeholder expenditures.

If your campaign treasurer quits, he or she must give written notice to both you and your filing authority. The termination will be effective on the date you receive the notice or on the date your filing authority receives the notice, whichever is later.

FILING A FINAL REPORT

For filing purposes, you are a “candidate” as long as you have an appointment of campaign treasurer on file. If you do not expect to accept any further campaign contributions or to make any further campaign expenditures, you may file a final report of contributions and expenditures. A final report terminates your appointment of campaign treasurer and relieves you of the obligation of filing further reports as a candidate. If you have surplus funds, or if you retain assets purchased with political funds, you will be required to file annual reports. (*See instructions for FORM C/OH - UC.*) If you are an officeholder at the time of filing a final report, you may be required to file semiannual reports of contributions, expenditures, and loans as an officeholder.

If you do not have an appointment of campaign treasurer on file, you may not accept *campaign* contributions or make *campaign* expenditures. A payment on a campaign debt is a campaign expenditure. An officeholder who does not have an appointment of campaign treasurer on file may accept *officeholder* contributions and make *officeholder* expenditures.

To file a final report, you must complete the CANDIDATE/OFFICEHOLDER CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORT (FORM C/OH), check the “final” box on Page 1, Section 9, and complete and attach the DESIGNATION OF FINAL REPORT (FORM C/OH-FR).

ELECTRONIC FILING

All persons filing campaign finance reports with the Commission are required to file those reports electronically unless the person is entitled to claim an exemption. Please check the Commission’s website at <http://www.ethics.state.tx.us> for information about exemptions from the electronic filing requirements.

GUIDES

All candidates should review the applicable Commission’s campaign finance guide. Guides are available on the Commission’s website at <http://www.ethics.state.tx.us>.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Each numbered item in these instructions corresponds to the same numbered item on the form.

PAGE 1

- 1. TOTAL PAGES FILED:** After you have completed the form, enter the total number of pages of this form and any additional pages. A “page” is one side of a two-sided form. If you are not using a two-sided form, a “page” is a single sheet.
- 2. CANDIDATE NAME:** Enter your full name, including nicknames and suffixes (e.g., Sr., Jr., III), if applicable. Enter your name in the same way on Page 2, Section 11, of this form.
- 3. CANDIDATE MAILING ADDRESS:** Enter your complete mailing address, including zip code. This information will allow your filing authority to correspond with you. **We recommend using a PO Box or other address where you receive mail, rather than your home**

address. This will be public information. If this information changes, please notify your filing authority immediately.

4. **CANDIDATE PHONE:** Enter your phone number, including the area code and extension, if applicable.
5. **OFFICE HELD:** If you are an officeholder, please enter the office you currently hold. Include the district, precinct, or other designation for the office, if applicable.
6. **OFFICE SOUGHT:** If you are a candidate, please enter the office you seek, if known. Include the district, precinct, or other designation for the office, if applicable.
7. **CAMPAIGN TREASURER NAME:** Enter the full name of your campaign treasurer, including nicknames and suffixes (e.g., Sr., Jr., III), if applicable.
8. **CAMPAIGN TREASURER STREET ADDRESS:** Enter the complete street address of your campaign treasurer, including the zip code. You may enter either the treasurer's business or residential street address. If you are your own treasurer, you may enter either your business or residential street address.
9. **CAMPAIGN TREASURER PHONE:** Enter the phone number of your campaign treasurer, including the area code and extension, if applicable.
10. **CANDIDATE SIGNATURE:** Enter your signature after reading the summary. Your signature here indicates that you have read the following summary of the nepotism law; that you are aware of your responsibility to file timely reports; and that you are aware of the restrictions on contributions from corporations and labor organizations.
 - The Texas nepotism law (Government Code, chapter 573) imposes certain restrictions on both officeholders and candidates. You should consult the statute in regard to the restrictions applicable to officeholders.
 - A candidate may not take an affirmative action to influence an employee of the office to which the candidate seeks election in regard to the appointment, confirmation, employment or employment conditions of an individual who is related to the candidate within a prohibited degree.
 - A candidate for a multi-member governmental body may not take an affirmative action to influence an officer or employee of the governmental body to which the candidate seeks election in regard to the appointment, confirmation, or employment of an individual related to the candidate in a prohibited degree.
 - Two people are related within a prohibited degree if they are related within the third degree by consanguinity (blood) or the second degree by affinity (marriage). The degree of consanguinity is determined by the number of generations that separate them. If neither is descended from the other, the degree of consanguinity is determined by adding the number of generations that each is separated from a common ancestor. Examples: (1) first degree - parent to child; (2) second degree - grandparent to grandchild; or brother to sister; (3) third degree - great-grandparent

to great-grandchild; or aunt to niece who is child of individual's brother or sister. A husband and wife are related in the first degree by affinity. A wife has the same degree of relationship by affinity to her husband's relatives as her husband has by consanguinity. For example, a wife is related to her husband's grandmother in the second degree by affinity.

PAGE 2

11. CANDIDATE NAME: Enter your name as you did on Page 1.

12. MODIFIED REPORTING DECLARATION: Sign this option if you wish to report under the modified reporting schedule.

The modified reporting option is not available for candidates for the office of state chair of a political party and candidates for county chair of a political party.

To the left of your signature, enter the year of the election or election cycle to which your selection of modified reporting applies.

Your selection of modified reporting is valid for an entire election cycle. For example, if you choose modified reporting before a primary election, your selection remains in effect for any runoff and for the general election and any related runoff. You must make this selection at least 30 days before the first election to which your selection applies.

An opposed candidate in an election is eligible to report under the modified reporting schedule if he or she does not intend to accept more than \$1,140 in political contributions or make more than \$1,140 in political expenditures in connection with an election. The amount of a filing fee paid to qualify for a place on the ballot does not count against the \$1,140 expenditure limit. An opposed candidate who reports under the modified schedule is not required to file pre-election reports (due 30 days and 8 days before an election) or runoff reports (due 8 days before a runoff). (Note: An *unopposed* candidate is not required to file pre-election reports in the first place.) The obligations to file semiannual reports, special pre-election reports (formerly known as telegram reports), or special session reports, if applicable, are not affected by selecting the modified schedule.

The \$1,140 maximums apply to each election within the cycle. In other words, you are limited to \$1,140 in contributions and expenditures in connection with the primary, an additional \$1,140 in contributions and expenditures in connection with the general election, and an additional \$1,140 in contributions and expenditures in connection with a runoff.

EXCEEDING \$1,140 IN CONTRIBUTIONS OR EXPENDITURES. If you exceed \$1,140 in contributions or expenditures in connection with an election, you must file according to the regular filing schedule. In other words, you must file pre-election reports and a runoff report, if you are in a runoff.

If you exceed either of the \$1,140 limits *after the 30th day before the election*, you must file a sworn report of contributions and expenditures within 48 hours after exceeding the limit. After that, you must file any pre-election reports or runoff reports that are due under the regular filing schedule.

Your selection is not valid for other elections or election cycles. Use the AMENDMENT (FORM ACTA) to renew your option to file under the modified schedule for a different election year or election cycle.

For more information, see the Commission's campaign finance guide that applies to you.



TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION
2026 FILING SCHEDULE FOR REPORTS DUE IN CONNECTION WITH
ELECTIONS HELD ON UNIFORM ELECTION DATES

This is a filing schedule for reports to be filed in connection with elections held on uniform election dates in May and November. Examples of elections held on uniform election dates are elections for school board positions and city offices. The uniform election dates in 2026 are May 2 and November 3.

Candidates and officeholders must file semiannual reports (due on January 15, 2026, and July 15, 2026). In addition, a candidate who has an opponent on the ballot in an election held on a uniform election date must file two pre-election reports (unless the candidate has elected modified reporting).

The campaign treasurer of a political committee that is involved in an election held on a uniform election date must also file pre-election reports (unless the committee is a general-purpose political committee that files monthly or a specific-purpose political committee that files on the modified reporting schedule). This schedule sets out the due dates for pre-election reports in connection with elections on uniform election dates. Please consult the 2026 REGULAR FILING SCHEDULE FOR GENERAL-PURPOSE POLITICAL COMMITTEES (GPAC), COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES (CEC), AND SPECIFIC-PURPOSE POLITICAL COMMITTEES (SPAC) for a complete listing of political committee deadlines.

Candidates for and officeholders in local offices regularly filled at the general election for state and county officers (the November election in even-numbered years) should use the 2026 FILING SCHEDULE FOR CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS FILING WITH THE COUNTY CLERK OR ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR.

EXPLANATION OF THE FILING SCHEDULE CHART

COLUMN I: REPORT DUE DATE - This is the date by which the report must be filed. If the due date for a report falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the report is due on the next regular business day. This schedule shows the extended deadline where applicable. A report transmitted to the Texas Ethics Commission over the Internet is considered timely filed if it is transmitted **by midnight, Central Time Zone, on the night of the filing deadline**. For most filing deadlines, a report filed on paper is considered timely filed if it is deposited with the U.S. Post Office or a common or contract carrier properly addressed with postage and handling charges prepaid, or hand-delivered to the filing authority by the filing deadline. **Pre-Election Reports:** A report due 30 days before an election and a report due 8 days before an election must be *received* by the appropriate filing authority no later than the report due date to be considered timely filed.

COLUMN II: TYPE OF REPORT (WHO FILES) - This column gives the report type and explains which reporting form to use and which filers are required to file the report.

COLUMN III: BEGINNING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED - This column sets out the beginning date of the time period covered by the report. Use the latest one of the applicable dates. The "date of campaign treasurer appointment" is the beginning date only for the *first* report filed after filing a campaign treasurer appointment. For officeholders recently appointed to an elective office, the beginning date for the first report will be the date the officeholder took office, provided that he or she was not already filing as an officeholder or candidate at the time of the appointment. (*NOTE:* If you are ever confused about the beginning date for a required report, remember this rule: **There should never be gaps between reporting periods and, generally, there should not be overlaps.**)

COLUMN IV: ENDING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED - This column sets out the ending date of the time period covered by the report. The report must include reportable activity occurring on the ending date.

Please consult the CAMPAIGN FINANCE GUIDE FOR CANDIDATES AND OFFICEHOLDERS WHO FILE WITH LOCAL FILING AUTHORITIES or the CAMPAIGN FINANCE GUIDE FOR POLITICAL COMMITTEES for further information.

<u>COLUMN I</u> DUE DATE	<u>COLUMN II</u> TYPE OF REPORT (WHO FILES)	<u>COLUMN III</u> BEGINNING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED	<u>COLUMN IV</u> ENDING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED
Thursday, January 15, 2026	January semiannual [FORM C/OH] (all local candidates and officeholders, except for officeholders who do not have a campaign treasurer appointment on file and who do not exceed \$1,110 in contributions or expenditures for the reporting period) [FORM GPAC] (all GPACs) [FORM SPAC] (all SPACs)	July 1, 2025, <i>or</i> the date of campaign treasurer appointment, <i>or</i> the day after the date the last report ended.	December 31, 2025
Thursday, January 15, 2026	Annual report of unexpended contributions [FORM C/OH-UC] (former candidates and former officeholders who have filed a final report and who retained unexpended contributions or assets purchased with contributions)	January 1, 2025, <i>or</i> the day after the date the final report was filed.	December 31, 2025

REPORTS DUE BEFORE THE MAY 2, 2026, UNIFORM ELECTION

Thursday, April 2, 2026 NOTE: This report must be received by the appropriate filing authority no later than April 2, 2026.	30th day before the May 2, 2026, uniform election [FORM C/OH] (all local candidates who have an opponent on the ballot in the May 2 election and who do not file on the modified reporting schedule) [FORM GPAC] (all GPACs that are involved in the May 2 election) [FORM SPAC] (all SPACs that do not file on the modified reporting schedule and that supported or opposed an opposed candidate or a measure in the May 2 election)	January 1, 2026, <i>or</i> the date of campaign treasurer appointment, <i>or</i> the day after the date the last report ended.	March 23, 2026
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NOTE: A political committee must file pre-election reports if the committee is involved in the election during each pre-election reporting period. **A political committee must file an 8-day pre-election report if the committee filed a 30-day pre-election report, even if there is no activity to report during the 8-day reporting period.** The campaign treasurer of a political committee may be required to file 30-day and 8-day pre-election reports in connection with elections not listed on this schedule.

<u>COLUMN I</u> DUE DATE	<u>COLUMN II</u> TYPE OF REPORT (WHO FILES)	<u>COLUMN III</u> BEGINNING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED	<u>COLUMN IV</u> ENDING DATE OF PERIOD COVERED
<p>Friday, April 24, 2026</p> <p>NOTE: This report must be <u>received</u> by the appropriate filing authority no later than April 24, 2026.</p>	<p>8th day before May 2, 2026, uniform election</p> <p>[FORM C/OH] (all local candidates who have an opponent on the ballot in the May 2 election and who do not file on the modified reporting schedule)</p> <p>[FORM GPAC] (all GPACs that filed a “30th Day Before Election Report” or that are involved in the May 2 election)</p> <p>[FORM SPAC] (all SPACs that do not file on the modified reporting schedule and that filed a “30th Day Before Election Report” or that supported or opposed an opposed candidate or a measure in the May 2 election)</p>	<p>March 24, 2026, <i>or</i></p> <p>the date of campaign treasurer appointment, <i>or</i></p> <p>the day after the date the last report ended.</p>	<p>April 22, 2026</p> <p>NOTE: Daily pre-election reports of contributions accepted and direct campaign expenditures made after April 22, 2026, may be required. Please consult the Campaign Finance Guide for further information.</p>
<p>Wednesday, July 15, 2026</p>	<p>July semiannual</p> <p>[FORM C/OH] (all local candidates and officeholders, except for officeholders who do not have a campaign treasurer appointment on file and who do not exceed \$1,140 in contributions or expenditures for the reporting period)</p> <p>[FORM GPAC] (all GPACs)</p> <p>[FORM SPAC] (all SPACs)</p>	<p>January 1, 2026, <i>or</i></p> <p>the date of campaign treasurer appointment, <i>or</i></p> <p>the day after the date the last report ended.</p>	<p>June 30, 2026</p>
<p>NOTE: A political committee must file pre-election reports if the committee is involved in the election during each pre-election reporting period. A political committee must file an 8-day pre-election report if the committee filed a 30-day pre-election report, even if there is no activity to report during the 8-day reporting period. The campaign treasurer of a political committee may be required to file 30-day and 8-day pre-election reports in connection with elections not listed on this schedule.</p>			

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REPORTS DUE BEFORE THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026, UNIFORM ELECTION

<p>Monday, October 5, 2026</p> <p><i>Deadline is extended because of weekend.</i></p> <p>NOTE: This report must be <u>received</u> by the appropriate filing authority no later than October 5, 2026.</p>	<p>30th day before the November 3, 2026, uniform election</p> <p>[FORM C/OH] (all local candidates who have an opponent on the ballot in the November 3 election and who do not file on the modified reporting schedule)</p> <p>[FORM GPAC] (all GPACs that are involved in the November 3 election)</p> <p>[FORM SPAC] (all SPACs that do not file on the modified reporting schedule and that supported or opposed an opposed candidate or a measure in the November 3 election)</p>	<p>July 1, 2026, <u>or</u></p> <p>the date of campaign treasurer appointment, <u>or</u></p> <p>the day after the date the last report ended.</p>	<p>September 24, 2026</p>
<p>Monday, October 26, 2026</p> <p>NOTE: This report must be <u>received</u> by the appropriate filing authority no later than October 26, 2026.</p>	<p>8th day before the November 3, 2026, uniform election</p> <p>[FORM C/OH] (all local candidates who have an opponent on the ballot in the November 3 election and who do not file on the modified reporting schedule)</p> <p>[FORM GPAC] (all GPACs that filed a “30th Day Before Election Report” or that are involved in the November 3 election)</p> <p>[FORM SPAC] (all SPACs that do not file on the modified reporting schedule and that filed a “30th Day Before Election Report” or that supported or opposed an opposed candidate or a measure in the November 3 election)</p>	<p>September 25, 2026, <u>or</u></p> <p>the date of campaign treasurer appointment, <u>or</u></p> <p>the day after the date the last report ended.</p>	<p>October 24, 2026</p> <p>NOTE: Daily pre-election reports of contributions accepted and direct campaign expenditures made after October 24, 2026, may be required. Please consult the Campaign Finance Guide for further information.</p>

NOTE: A political committee must file pre-election reports if the committee is involved in the election during each pre-election reporting period. **A political committee must file an 8-day pre-election report if the committee filed a 30-day pre-election report, even if there is no activity to report during the 8-day reporting period.** The campaign treasurer of a political committee may be required to file 30-day and 8-day pre-election reports in connection with elections not listed on this schedule.

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Friday, January 15, 2027	<p>Annual report of unexpended contributions</p> <p>[FORM C/OH-UC] (former candidates and former officeholders who have filed a final report and who retained unexpended contributions or assets purchased with contributions)</p>	<p>January 1, 2026, <i>or</i></p> <p>the day after the date the final report was filed.</p>	December 31, 2026

Fair Campaign Practices

(form and instructions)

**CITY COUNCIL
CANDIDATE PACKET**

Office of the City Secretary Publication – January 2026

CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

**FORM CFCP
COVER SHEET**

Pursuant to chapter 258 of the Election Code, every candidate and political committee is encouraged to subscribe to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices. The Code may be filed with the proper filing authority upon submission of a campaign treasurer appointment form. Candidates or political committees that already have a current campaign treasurer appointment on file as of September 1, 1997, may subscribe to the code at any time.

Subscription to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices is voluntary.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

Date Hand-delivered or Postmarked

Date Processed

Date Imaged

1 ACCOUNT NUMBER
(Ethics Commission Filers)

2 TYPE OF FILER

CANDIDATE

POLITICAL COMMITTEE

If filing as a candidate, complete boxes 3 - 6, then read and sign page 2.

If filing for a political committee, complete boxes 7 and 8, then read and sign page 2.

3 NAME OF CANDIDATE
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

TITLE (Dr., Mr., Ms., etc.)

FIRST

MI

NICKNAME

LAST

SUFFIX (SR., JR., III, etc.)

4 TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CANDIDATE
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

AREA CODE

PHONE NUMBER

EXTENSION

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5 ADDRESS OF CANDIDATE
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

STREET / PO BOX;

APT / SUITE #;

CITY;

STATE;

ZIP CODE

6 OFFICE SOUGHT BY CANDIDATE
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

7 NAME OF COMMITTEE
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

8 NAME OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

TITLE (Dr., Mr., Ms., etc.)

FIRST

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NICKNAME

LAST

SUFFIX (SR., JR., III, etc.)

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CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play that every candidate and political committee in this state has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their constitutional rights to a free and untrammelled choice and the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

THEREFORE:

- (1) I will conduct the campaign openly and publicly and limit attacks on my opponent to legitimate challenges to my opponent's record and stated positions on issues.
- (2) I will not use or permit the use of character defamation, whispering campaigns, libel, slander, or scurrilous attacks on any candidate or the candidate's personal or family life.
- (3) I will not use or permit any appeal to negative prejudice based on race, sex, religion, or national origin.
- (4) I will not use campaign material of any sort that misrepresents, distorts, or otherwise falsifies the facts, nor will I use malicious or unfounded accusations that aim at creating or exploiting doubts, without justification, as to the personal integrity or patriotism of my opponent.
- (5) I will not undertake or condone any dishonest or unethical practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our system of free elections or that hampers or prevents the full and free expression of the will of the voters, including any activity aimed at intimidating voters or discouraging them from voting.
- (6) I will defend and uphold the right of every qualified voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process, and will not engage in any activity aimed at intimidating voters or discouraging them from voting.
- (7) I will immediately and publicly repudiate methods and tactics that may come from others that I have pledged not to use or condone. I shall take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this code or the laws governing elections.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Texas or campaign treasurer of a political committee, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct the campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

Signature

Date

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CHAPTER 258, ELECTION CODE
FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES



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CHAPTER 258, ELECTION CODE

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

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CHAPTER 258. FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

Sec. 258.001. SHORT TITLE. This chapter may be cited as the Fair Campaign Practices Act.

Sec. 258.002. PURPOSE.

(a) The purpose of this chapter is to encourage every candidate and political committee to subscribe to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices.

(b) It is the intent of the legislature that every candidate and political committee that subscribes to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices will follow the basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play to encourage healthy competition and open discussion of issues and candidate qualifications and to discourage practices that cloud the issues or unfairly attack opponents.

Sec. 258.003. DELIVERY OF COPY OF CODE.

(a) When a candidate or political committee files its campaign treasurer appointment, the authority with whom the appointment is filed shall give the candidate or political committee a blank form of the Code of Fair Campaign Practices and a copy of this chapter.

(b) The authority shall inform each candidate or political committee that the candidate or committee may subscribe to and file the code with the authority and that subscription to the code is voluntary.

Sec. 258.004. TEXT OF CODE. The Code of Fair Campaign Practices reads as follows:

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I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Texas or campaign treasurer of a political committee, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct the campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

VOID – COPY ONLY - VOID¹

Date

Signature

Sec. 258.005. FORMS. The commission shall print copies of the Code of Fair Campaign Practices and shall supply the forms to the authorities with whom copies of the code may be filed in quantities and at times requested by the authorities.

Sec. 258.006. ACCEPTANCE AND PRESERVATION OF COPIES.

(a) An authority with whom a campaign treasurer appointment is filed shall accept each completed copy of the code submitted to the authority that is properly subscribed to by a candidate or the campaign treasurer of a political committee.

(b) Each copy of the code accepted under this section shall be preserved by the authority with whom it is filed for the period prescribed for the filer's campaign treasurer appointment.

Sec. 258.007. SUBSCRIPTION TO CODE VOLUNTARY. The subscription to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices by a candidate or a political committee is voluntary.

¹ This document is a copy of chapter 258, Election Code. To subscribe to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices, a candidate or campaign treasurer of a political committee must submit Texas Ethics Commission FORM CFCP, not a signed copy of this document.

Sec. 258.008. INDICATION ON POLITICAL ADVERTISING. A candidate or a political committee that has filed a copy of the Code of Fair Campaign Practices may so indicate on political advertising in a form to be determined by the commission.

Sec. 258.009. CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION. This chapter does not create a civil cause of action for recovery of damages or for enforcement of this chapter.

Request for Confidentiality
Not everyone will qualify
(form)

**CITY COUNCIL
CANDIDATE PACKET**

Office of the City Secretary Publication – January 2026

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIALITY FOR CANDIDATES UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

Pursuant to Section 552.1175 of the Texas Government Code, if you are one of the qualifying individuals listed in Step 2 below, you may request that information from your candidate application which identifies your home address, home telephone number, emergency contact information, date of birth, social security number, or whether you have family members be restricted from public access. By completing and submitting this form to the filing authority with whom you filed your candidate application, you are requesting the confidentiality of the information as stated above. You must attach a photocopy of documentation showing that you are eligible for confidentiality. If you want to rescind this confidentiality request, you must do so in writing to the filing authority with whom you filed your candidate application.

Step 1: Identify Candidate Requesting Confidentiality	Name		Date of Birth
	Residence Address (number and street)		
	City, State, Zip Code		
	VUID Number (Optional)		County of Residence
Step 2: Qualification (check one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or honorably retired peace officers, as defined by Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure, or special investigators as described by Article 2A.002, Code of Criminal Procedure;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or honorably retired county jailers as defined by §1701.001, Occupations Code;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or former employees of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice or of the predecessor in function of the department or any division of the department;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Commissioned security officers as defined by §1702.002, Occupations Code;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> A current or former district attorney, criminal district attorney, or county or municipal attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child protective services matters;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> A current or former employee of a district attorney, criminal district attorney, or county or municipal attorney whose jurisdiction includes any criminal law or child protective services matters;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Officers and employees of a community supervision and corrections department established under Chapter 76 who perform a duty described by §76.004(b), Government Code;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal investigators of the U.S. as described by Article 2A.002(a), Code of Criminal Procedure;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or honorably retired police officers and inspectors of the United States Federal Protective Service;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Current and former employees of the Office of the Attorney General and a family member of the current or former employee;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or former juvenile probation and detention officers certified by the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, or the predecessors in function of the department, under Title 12, Human Resources Code;		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Current or former employees of a juvenile justice program or facility, as defined by §261.405, Family Code;		

<p>Step 2: Qualification (Continued)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former employees of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department or the predecessors in function of the department;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former employees of the Texas Civil Commitment Office or of the predecessor in function of the office or a division of the office;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former child protective services caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator for the Department of Family and Protective Services or a current or former employee of a department contractor performing child protective services caseworker, adult protective services caseworker, or investigator functions for the contractor on behalf of the department;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A firefighter, volunteer firefighter, or emergency medical services personnel as defined by Section 773.003, Health and Safety Code;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps, an auxiliary service of one of those branches of the armed forces, or the Texas military forces as defined by Section 437.001, Government Code;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former United States attorney, assistant United States attorney, federal public defender, deputy federal public defender, or assistant federal public defender and their spouse or child;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Federal judges and state judges as defined by §1.005, Election Code;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An elected public officer;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former employee of a public defender’s office (as defined by Article 26.044(a), Code of Criminal Procedure);</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current or former election officials, as defined by §1.005, Election Code, or employee, volunteer, or designee of an election official, or an employee of the Secretary of State’s office who performs duties relating to elections;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current members of the governing board of an institution of higher education or a private or independent institution of higher education, as defined by §61.003, Education Code;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current chancellors or other chief executive officer of a university system, as defined by §61.003, Education Code;</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Current presidents or other chief executive officer of an institution of higher education or a private or independent institution of higher education, as defined by §61.003, Education Code.</p>
<p>Step 3: Candidate’s Evidence of Status</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> I have attached a photocopy of documentation showing evidence of my qualification (proof of the qualification claimed above on Step 2).</p>

Step 4: Sign and Date	<p>I certify that the information in this document and any information attached are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.</p> <p>Sign Here ► _____ Date ► _____</p> <p>Making a false statement on this form is a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony. Texas Penal Code §37.10</p>
Step 5: Return this form	<p>Return this form to: Candidate Filing Authority</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Or fax/email to _____</p>
For Office Use Only	<p>VUID # _____ Documentation received? Yes No</p> <p>Confidentiality Approved? Yes No</p> <p>Signature of Filing Authority _____ Date: ____/____/____</p> <p>Comments: _____</p>

SOLICITUD DE CONFIDENCIALIDAD PARA CANDIDATOS SEGÚN EL CÓDIGO GUBERNAMENTAL DE TEXAS

De acuerdo con la Sección 552.1175 del Código Gubernamental de Texas, si usted es uno de los individuos calificados que se enumeran en el Paso 2 a continuación, puede solicitar que se restrinja el acceso público a la información de su solicitud de candidato que identifique su domicilio, el número de teléfono de su casa, la información de contacto de emergencia, la fecha de nacimiento, el número del seguro social o si tiene familiares. Al completar y enviar este formulario a la autoridad de presentación ante la que presentó su candidatura, solicita la confidencialidad de la información arriba indicada. Debe adjuntar una fotocopia de la documentación que demuestre que es elegible para la confidencialidad. Si desea rescindir esta solicitud de confidencialidad, debe hacerlo por escrito a la autoridad de presentación ante la que presentó su candidatura.

Paso 1: Identifique al candidato que solicita confidencialidad	Nombre	Fecha de nacimiento
	Dirección de residencia (número y calle)	
	Ciudad, Estado, y Código Postal	
	Número VUID	Condado de residencia
Paso 2: Calificación (marque uno)	<input type="checkbox"/> Agente de la paz en activo u honorablemente retirado, según se definen en el Artículo 2A.001 del Código de Procedimiento Penal, o investigador especial según se describe en el Artículo 2A.002 del Código de Procedimiento Penal; <input type="checkbox"/> Carcelero del condado en activo u honorablemente jubilado, tal y como se define en §1701.001, Código de Ocupaciones; <input type="checkbox"/> Empleado actual o anterior del Departamento de Justicia Criminal de Texas o del predecesor en función del departamento o cualquier división del departamento; <input type="checkbox"/> Oficial de Seguridad Comisionado, tal como se define en §1702.002, Código de Ocupaciones; <input type="checkbox"/> Un fiscal de distrito actual o anterior, un fiscal de distrito criminal, un fiscal del condado o fiscal municipal cuya jurisdicción incluya cualquier asunto de derecho penal o de servicios de protección infantil; <input type="checkbox"/> Un empleado actual o anterior de un fiscal de distrito, fiscal de distrito criminal, fiscal del condado o fiscal municipal cuya jurisdicción incluya cualquier asunto de derecho penal o de servicios de protección infantil; <input type="checkbox"/> Funcionario y empleado de un departamento de supervisión y correcciones comunitaria establecido bajo el Capítulo 76 que desempeña un deber descrito por §76.004(b), Código Gubernamental; <input type="checkbox"/> Investigadores criminales de los Estados Unidos como se describe en el Artículo 2A.002(a), Código de Procedimiento Penal; <input type="checkbox"/> Oficial de policía actual u honorablemente jubilado e inspectores del Servicio de Protección Federal de los Estados Unidos; <input type="checkbox"/> Empleados actuales y anteriores de la Oficina del Fiscal General y familiares de los empleados actuales o anteriores; <input type="checkbox"/> Funcionarios actuales o anteriores de libertad condicional y detención de menores certificados por el Departamento de Justicia Juvenil de Texas, o los predecesores en función del departamento, según el Título 12, Código de Recursos Humanos;	

Paso 2: Calificación (continuación)	<input type="checkbox"/> Empleados actuales o anteriores de un programa o centro de justicia juvenil, tal como se define en §261.405, Código de Familia; <input type="checkbox"/> Empleados actuales o anteriores del Departamento de Justicia Juvenil de Texas o los predecesores en función del departamento; <input type="checkbox"/> Empleados actuales o anteriores de la Oficina de Compromiso Civil de Texas o del predecesor en función de la oficina o una división de la oficina; <input type="checkbox"/> Trabajadores de casos de los servicios de protección de menores actuales o anteriores, trabajadores de casos de servicios de protección para adultos o investigadores del Departamento de Servicios para la Familia y de Protección o un empleado actual o anterior de un contratista del departamento que realiza servicios de protección infantil, servicios de protección para adultos, o funciones de investigación para el contratista en nombre del departamento; <input type="checkbox"/> Un bombero, bombero voluntario o personal de servicios médicos de emergencia, según se define en la Sección 773.003 del Código de Salud y Seguridad; <input type="checkbox"/> Miembro actual o anterior del Ejército de los Estados Unidos, la Armada de los Estados Unidos, la Fuerza Aérea de los Estados Unidos, la Guardia Costera de los Estados Unidos o la Infantería de Marina de los Estados Unidos, un servicio auxiliar de una de esas ramas o las fuerzas militares de Texas se según se define en la Sección 437.001, Código Gubernamental; <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal de los Estados Unidos actual o anterior, fiscal adjunto de los Estados Unidos, defensor público federal, defensor público federal adjunto o defensor público federal auxiliar y el cónyuge o hijo del fiscal o defensor público actual o anterior; <input type="checkbox"/> Jueces federales, jueces estatales tal como se define en §1.005, Código Electoral; <input type="checkbox"/> Funcionario público electo; <input type="checkbox"/> Empleado actual o anterior de una oficina de defensa pública (tal y como se define en el Artículo 26.044(a) del Código de Procedimiento Penal); <input type="checkbox"/> Funcionarios electorales actuales o anteriores, tal y como se definen en §1.005 del Código Electoral, o empleados, voluntarios o personas designadas por un funcionario electoral, o empleados de la oficina del Secretario de Estado que desempeñen funciones relacionadas con las elecciones; <input type="checkbox"/> Los miembros actuales del consejo rector de una institución de educación superior o de una institución de educación superior privada o independiente, tal y como se define en §61.003 del Código de Educación; <input type="checkbox"/> Los rectores actuales u otros directores ejecutivos de un sistema universitario, tal y como se define en §61.003 del Código de Educación; <input type="checkbox"/> Los actuales presidentes u otros directores ejecutivos de una institución de educación superior o de una institución de educación superior privada o independiente, tal y como se define en §61.003 del Código de Educación.
Paso 3: Evidencia del estatuto del candidato	<input type="checkbox"/> He adjuntado una fotocopia de la documentación que demuestra evidencia de mi calificación (prueba de la calificación reclamada anteriormente en el Paso 2).

Paso 4: Firma y fecha	<p>Certifico que la información contenida en este documento y cualquier información adjunta son verdaderas y correctas a mi mejor saber y entender.</p> <p>Firme Aquí ► _____ Fecha ► _____</p> <p>Hacer una declaración falsa en este formulario es un delito menor de Clase A o un delito grave de cárcel estatal. Código Penal de Texas §37.10.</p>
Paso 5: Devuelva este formulario	<p>Devuelva este formulario a: Autoridad de Presentación de Candidaturas</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>O envíe un fax a: _____</p>
For Office Use Only	<p>VUID # _____ Documentation received? Yes No</p> <p>Confidentiality Approved? Yes No</p> <p>Voter Reg. Dept. Signature _____ Date: ___ / ___ / ___</p> <p>Comments: _____</p>