

Special Election to Fill a Vacancy for City Council member Southwest Ward to be held Tuesday, November 2, 2010

On Tuesday, November 2, 2010 the citizens of Nacogdoches will elect one (1) member to the Nacogdoches City Council to fill a vacancy in the Southwest Ward Council member seat. Candidates must live within the Southwest Ward.

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

To run for City Council you must: 1) be at least 18 years old; 2) be a resident of the city for one year preceding the date of the election for the At Large position, and for six (6) months preceding the date of the election for the single ward positions; 3) be a registered voter of the city; 4) not hold any other public office for which you receive compensation; 5) not be indebted to the city; 6) not have been determined mentally incompetent by a final judgment of a court; 7) not have been finally convicted of a felony from which you have not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities.

APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE BALLOT

The City Secretary will accept applications for a place on the ballot July 21 - August 30, 2010. Application packets will be available in the City Secretary's office during normal business hours beginning July 21. The application packet is also available on the city's website at www.ci.nacogdoches.tx.us. Each candidate must submit the Application for a Place on the Ballot, Charter Compliance Statement and Appointment of Campaign Treasurer.

CAMPAIGN TREASURER APPOINTMENT

You must file the Appointment of Campaign Treasurer prior to accepting or receiving any campaign funds. The Texas Election Code defines candidate as "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." A person becomes a candidate when a public announcement or statement is made of an intent to run for office, soliciting support by letter or other mode of communication, accepting campaign contributions or making campaign expenditures, or an application is filed for a place on the ballot.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Candidate information packets containing general information about the city, necessary forms for filing and general election related information may be obtained from the City Secretary starting July 21, 2010 in addition to election information during the campaign period. If you have questions regarding the city Council election process, please contact the City Secretary at 936-559-2504 or by email at lfuller@ci.nacogdoches.tx.us

CAMPAIGN REPORTS

The Texas Ethics Council enforces the Campaign Finance requirements for candidates and officeholders. In most cases, there are two (2) campaign reports due prior to the election, and semi-annual reports due after the election. The Texas Ethics Council is the authority for any campaign finance requirements and they may be contacted at

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Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday

GENERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FILING SCHEDULES

Click the following link to see the filing schedule for the general election dates
<http://www.ethics.state.tx.us/schedule/s10uniform.pdf>

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To be eligible to vote in the November 2, 2010 election you must have a current voter registration application on file at the Nacogdoches County Elections office no later than October 4, 2010. Click on the following link to download a Voter Registration Application.
<http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/vr17.pdf>

The Nacogdoches County Elections Administrator administers voter registration. For more information please contact:

Voter Registrar: Debra Gaston, Elections Administrator
Nacogdoches County Courthouse Annex
203 West Main, Suite 113
Nacogdoches, Texas 75961
Email: nacelections@gmail.com

Phone: (936) 560-7825
Fax: (936) 560-7838
Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

EARLY VOTING OPTIONS

Early Voting by Personal Appearance

If you are eligible to vote on Election Day, you are eligible to vote during the early voting period. The lines are shorter and the days and hours are more convenient. Early voting is open to all registered voters, no excuse necessary.

The Nacogdoches County Elections Office will be conducting the city's November 2, 2010 Special Election. Contact the Elections Office at 936-560-7825 for dates and times for early voting.

Early Voting by Mail

All currently registered voters are eligible to request and receive a ballot by mail if any of the following conditions prevent them from voting in person during the early voting period or on Election Day:

1. Expected absence from the County during both the early voting period and on Election Day. *(The ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county).*
2. Disability
3. 65 years of age or older
4. Confinement in jail and not finally convicted of a felony

The request must state the address at which you are registered to vote, one of the above conditions for requesting a ballot, the address to which you want the ballot mailed and your signature. If the ballot is not to be mailed outside the County and not to the address at which you are registered, you must give explanation as to the address, such as a nursing home, hospital, etc.

Applications for ballot by mail may not be submitted more than 60 days before Election Day and must be received no later than the close of business on **October 15, 2010**. Requests for a ballot by mail must be received **BY MAIL** after early voting has started. **The Nacogdoches County Elections Office will be conducting the city's November 2, 2010 Special Election. Contact the Elections Office at 936-560-7825 for information on voting early by mail.**

Click to download Application for Ballot by Mail (PDF file)

English <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-15f.pdf>

Spanish <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-15fs.pdf>

or call the Voter Registrar at 936-560-7825 to request an application be mailed to you.

Election Contact Information:

Lila Fuller, City Secretary
City Hall
202 E. Pilar Street, Room 315
P.O. Box 635030
Nacogdoches, TX 75961
Email: lfuller@ci.nacogdoches.tx.us

Phone: 936-559-2504

Fax: 936-559-2912

Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Special conditions are available for persons who become hospitalized or suffer a death in the family after the close of regular application deadlines. Specific guidelines must be met to be eligible. For information, please contact the City Secretary's office at 936-559-2504.

ELECTION DAY VOTING

The Nacogdoches County Elections Office will be conducting the city's November 2, 2010 Special Election. Contact the Elections Office at 936-560-7825 for information on Poll locations. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO VOTE?

Voters must present some form of identification in order to vote. To provide more efficient processing, please bring one of the following:

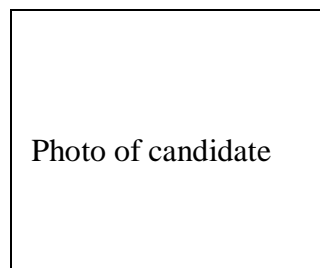
- Current voter registration certificate
- A drivers license or personal identification card issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety or similar documents from other states;
- A form of photo ID that establishes a person's identity (such as an employee identification card)
- A birth certificate or other document confirming birth that is admissible in a court of law and establishes a person's identity
- U.S. citizenship papers
- A United States passport
- Official mail addressed to the person by name from a governmental agency
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the voter

ELECTION RESULTS

After the polls are closed and the ballots have been counted **UNOFFICIAL** election results will be available on the city's website or by calling 936-559-2504. The election results will not become official until the election is canvassed by the City Council at a special meeting to be scheduled during the period of November 10-15, 2010.

**CANDIDATE FILINGS FOR THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 SPECIAL CITY ELECTION
TO FILL A VACANCY – SOUTHWEST WARD**
(In order of filing by district)

SOUTHWEST WARD

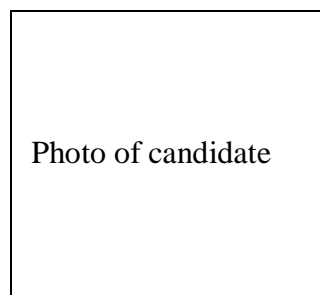


CANDIDATE NAME Occupation:
ADDRESS
Nacogdoches, TX 75965 Age:

Home:
Office: In City: ____ yrs __ months
 In District: __ yrs __ months
 In State: __ yrs __ months

Treasurer:
Treasurer appointment filed:

SOUTHWEST WARD



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Treasurer:
Treasurer appointment filed:
