Elections – Candidate Qualifications for City Council

Candidate Qualifications:
City of Leon Valley Charter § 3.03

The Mayor and each Council Member shall meet the following minimum requirements:

A. Be a qualified voter of the City and State at the time of taking office.
B. Have resided continuously in the corporate limits of the City for twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date of the deadline for filing for office for the current election cycle.
C. Not be in violation of any provision in this Charter.
D. Satisfy any other eligibility requirements prescribed by law for the office for which they are a candidate.

Candidate Qualifications:
Election Code § 141.001 (a):

1. Be a United States citizen;
2. Be 18 years of age or older on the first day of the term to be filled at the election;
3. Not have been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be:
   a) Totally mentally incapacitated; or
   b) Partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote;
4. Not have been finally convicted of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities;
5. Have resided continuously in the State for 12 months and in the city or in the district or ward, as applicable for a place on the ballot (for a write-in candidate, preceding the date of the election); and
6. Be a registered voter in the territory from which the office is elected as of the date of the filing deadline for a candidate’s place on the ballot (for a write-in candidate, preceding the date of the election)

WHAT:
The Leon Valley City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1 “General Provisions”, Article 1.03 “Elections” states “An election shall be held as provided in state law each even-numbered year to elect a mayor and two councilmembers at large for the City Council, to wit: Council Place No. 2 and Council Place No. 4. An election shall be held as provided in state law each odd-numbered year to elect three councilmembers at large for the city council, to wit: Council Place No. 1, Council Place No. 3, and Council Place 5."

On May 02, 2020, registered voters, who are citizens of Leon Valley, will vote for the positions of Council Place 2, Council Place No. 4, and of the Mayor
WHEN:
Under Chapter 41 of the Texas Election Code, uniform election dates are specified. Except as otherwise provided, general or special elections in the State of Texas shall be held on either the first Saturday in May; or the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

WHERE:
The Office of the City Secretary is located at Leon Valley City Hall, 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas, 78238. Office Phone Number is: 210-684-1391, Ext. 216. Email is: s.pass@leonvalleytexas.gov

HOW:
Individuals interested in running for office in Leon Valley should contact the City Secretary to pick up a Candidate’s Packet. This same packet is also available electronically on the City’s website at http://www.leonvalleytexas.gov/government/city_council/government/election_information.php
Candidates are able to file for a place on the May 02, 2020 General Election ballot beginning at 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2020. All applications for a candidate’s name to appear on the May 02, 2020 General Election ballot must be filed with the Office of the City Secretary before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 14, 2020. Write-in candidates may also file to be a candidate in this election with the Office of the City Secretary before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 14, 2020.

For more information, please contact the Office of the City Secretary at (210) 684-1391 extension 216 or the Bexar County Elections Department at (210) 335-VOTE (8683).