

Ordinance Number: 512

An Ordinance Entitled:

Fixing the Date of Special Election of City Council in Ward 4 for the Fulfilling of the Unexpired Term to End the Last Day of February 2014

Whereas, Section 7-13-190 Of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, (1976), as amended, set forth the provisions relative to the adoption of an ordinance governing special election procedures in nonpartisan municipal elections; and

Whereas, it now appears that it would be in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Belton, South Carolina to enact an Ordinance governing the nonpartisan Special Election for the office of Council Member Ward 4 to fill the vacancy created as a result of that Council Member's death and to adopt a procedure in accordance with South Carolina Law; and

Therefore, Be It Ordained by the City Council for the City of Belton, South Carolina that:

Section I. Each candidate who desires to offer himself or herself for the position of Council Member Ward 4 for the City of Belton and who desires to have his or her name placed on the ballot for the nonpartisan special election, shall file a Statement of Candidacy in accordance with Section 5-15-70 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976) as amended, with the Municipal Election Commission (the City Clerk) during regular business hours beginning April 24, 2013 at 12:00 noon and ending May 3, 2013 12:00 noon. The Commission (the City Clerk) shall place the name of the candidate on the ballot. This provision shall not exclude any candidate from being elected by virtue of receiving a majority of "write-in" votes, 'majority' as defined in Section 5-15-62 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended, provided such person is qualified as set forth hereinafter.

Section II. The Statement of Candidacy shall contain the following information: the name of the person offering his or her self for office; the designation of the position for which the candidate seeks office; the address of the candidate, the Ward in which the candidate resides; the Candidate's Voter's Registration Certificate Number.

Section III. In order to qualify, each person filing for the Office of Council Member must submit a filing fee of \$25.00 to the City Clerk at the time of filing his or her Statement of Candidacy.

Section IV. All persons offering themselves for candidacy for Council Member shall be qualified elector of the municipality and must be a qualified elector of Ward 4 in which they seek to represent.

Section V. Pursuant to Section 5-15-20(4) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended a candidate for the office of Council Member shall be a resident of Ward 4 but shall be elected from the municipality at large.

Section VI. The Council Member for Ward 4 shall be elected for a period ending the last day of February 2014 thus fulfilling the unexpired term created by the vacancy and shall begin to serve upon election.

Section VII. The aforementioned nonpartisan election shall be held on June 18, 2013. Polls shall open at 7:00 am and close at 7:00 pm.

Section VIII. The nonpartisan election and run-off election method as prescribed in Section 5-15-62 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended, shall be utilized to determine the results of the nonpartisan elections.

Section IX. Voting Precincts and Managers are as follows:

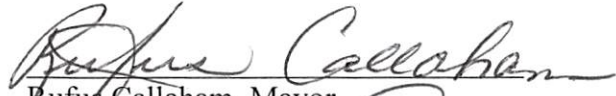
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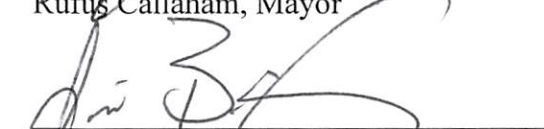
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Section X. This Ordinance ratified this 7 day of May, 2013.

First Reading 4/2 2013


Rufus Callahan, Mayor

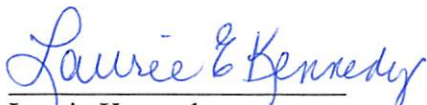
Second & Final Reading 5/7 2013


Jim Bright, Council Member Ward 1


Hattie Green, Council Member Ward 2

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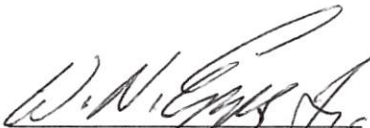

Jay West, Council Member Ward 3


Laurie Kennedy
City Clerk

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Council Member Ward 4

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Wendell Page, Council Member Ward 5


W.N. Epps Jr.
City Attorney


Ricky Campbell, Council Member Ward 6