

ORDINANCE NO. 532

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR
THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017, GENERAL ELECTION FOR COUNCIL
WARDS ONE (1), THREE (3), FIVE (5)**

WHEREAS, the SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, 1976, Section 5-15-10 et.seq as amended, set forth the provisions relative to the adoption of an ordinance governing 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 elections for Council Members and to adopt a procedure in accordance with South Carolina Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, THAT:

Section I. Each candidate who desires to offer himself for the position of Council Member for the City of Belton and who desires to have his or her name placed on the ballot for the nonpartisan general elections, shall file a Statement of Candidacy in accordance with Section 5-15-70 of the code of Laws of South Carolina (1976) as Belton, South Carolina during their regular office hours. Each Statement of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Election Commission (City Clerk) between August 10, 2017 at 12:00 noon and August 25, 2017 at 12:00 noon; and the provision shall not exclude any candidate from being elected by the virtue of receiving a majority of “write-in” votes, ‘majority’ as defined in Section 5-15-62 of their Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended, provided such

- A) The election for Municipal Council Seats, Wards One (1), Three (3), and Five (5) shall be held according to the following schedule:
 - 1. General Election Tuesday, November 7, 2017
 - 2. Filing Period for Candidates Thursday, August 10th 2017 noon, through Friday, August 25th 2017 noon.
 - 3. Run-off Election, If Necessary Tuesday, November 21, 2017
- B) The filing for candidacy shall be initiated at the City of Belton City Hall. Upon completion of the Statement of Intention of Candidacy form, payment of the \$25.00 filing fee shall be submitted to the City Clerk and Treasurer at City Hall, 306 Anderson Street Belton, SC 29627.
- C) All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict. All State laws and City ordinances not inconsistent herewith shall remain in full force and effect, and shall be applicable to all future elections.

D) This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and Council of the City of Belton.

This Ordinance ratified this _____ day of _____, 2017.

First Reading 08/03/2017

Wendell F. Page, Mayor

Second & Final Reading _____ 2017

James Bright, Council Member Ward 1

Hattie Green, Council Member Ward 2

ATTEST:

Eleanor Dorn, Council Member Ward 3

Amanda Gambrell
City Clerk

Kelli Hembree Council Member Ward 4

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Lynda McCoy, Council Member Ward 5

William N. Epps Jr.
City Attorney

John R. Campbell, Council Member Ward 6

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