

ORDINANCE NO. 555

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR
THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021, 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 the office of Mayor and 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 or herself 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 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, at the City Hall for the City of Belton, South Carolina during their regular office hours. Each Statement of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Election Commission City Clerk between August 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) and September 3, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. (noon). This provision shall not exclude any candidate from being elected by virtue of receiving a majority of “write-in” votes, ‘majority’ being defined by Section 5-15-62 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended.

A) The Municipal Election shall be held according to the following schedule:

1. ElectionTuesday, November 2, 2021
2. Filing Period for CandidatesTuesday, August 16, 2021 Noon
through Friday, September 3, 2021 Noon
3. Run-off Election, If NecessaryTuesday, November 16, 2021

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C) All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.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) All persons offering themselves for candidacy shall be qualified residents of their Ward in the City of Belton.

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

This Ordinance ratified this 31 day of Aug., 2021.

First Reading 08/16/ 2021



Eleanor Dorn, Mayor

Second & Final Reading 08/31/ 2021




James Bright, Council Member Ward 1



Tony Saville, Council Member Ward 2

ATTEST:

Council Member Ward 3


Amanda Gambrell
City Clerk




Josh Stephenson, Council Member Ward 4

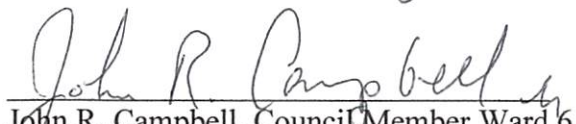
APPROVED AS TO FORM



Lynda McCoy, Council Member Ward 5



Greg Steele
City Attorney



John R. Campbell, Council Member Ward 6