

**ORDINANCE NO. 561**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR  
THE OCTOBER 25, 2022, SPECIAL ELECTION FOR  
COUNCIL IN WARD 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 election for the office of Council Member 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 Ward Five (5) Council Member 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, 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 12, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) and August 22, 2022, 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. Election . . . . . Tuesday, October 25, 2022
2. Filing Period for Candidates . . . . . Friday, August 12, 2022, 12:00 p.m. (Noon)  
through Friday, August 22, 2022, 12:00 p.m. (Noon)
3. Run-off Election, If Necessary . . . . . Tuesday, November 8, 2022

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 \$25.00 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C) All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.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 City of Belton.

- E) The councilmember shall be elected for the remainder of the current term period and shall serve until November 7, 2025.
- F) This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and Council of the City of Belton.

This Ordinance ratified this 6<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 2022.

First Reading: August 15, 2022

  
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Eleanor Dorn, Mayor


Second & Final Reading September 6, 2022

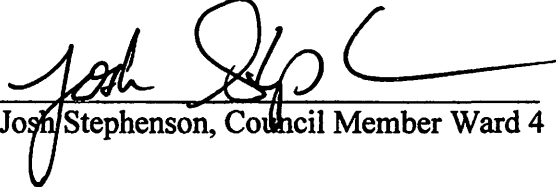
  
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Mark Spence, Council Member Ward 1

  
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Tony Saville, Council Member Ward 2

ATTEST:


  
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Eleanor Dorn, Council Member Ward 3


  
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Amanda Gambrell  
City Clerk

  
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Josh Stephenson, Council Member Ward 4

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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, Council Member Ward 5

  
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Greg R. Steele  
City Attorney

  
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John R. Campbell, Council Member Ward 6