



CITY OF PORT ARANSAS CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications to serve on City Council

The mayor and each councilmember shall meet the following qualifications:

1. Shall be a qualified voter of the city.
2. Shall have resided for at least twelve (12) months preceding the election within the corporate limits of the city, including territory annexed prior to the filing deadline.
3. Shall not, after notice of any delinquency, be in arrears in the payment of any taxes or other liabilities due the city. "In arrears" is defined herein to mean that payment has not been received within ninety (90) days from due date.
4. An incumbent city councilman seeking reelection must file for the same place position number currently being served.
5. No candidate may file in a single election for more than one (1) office or place position as provided in this Charter.
6. No employee of the city shall continue in such position after filing for an elective office provided for in this Charter.
7. No incumbent city councilman may file for the office of mayor, unless he does so for a regular May election during the last year of his term, or unless he resigns his present council seat.

Filling of vacancies

1. All vacancies on the council shall be filled within thirty (30) days of the occurrence by a majority vote of the remaining members of the council by selection of a person qualified for the position as described in this Charter. Such appointee shall serve in such position until the position is filled by election.
2. If the next regular city election is less than six (6) months after creation of the vacancy, the position shall be filled at the next regular city election or the council may call a special election to be held at an earlier date to fill the vacancy. The special election, if any is called, shall be held on a date consistent with Section 41.001 or Section 201.053, Texas Election Code.
3. If the next regular city election is six (6) months or more after the creation of the vacancy, the city council shall call a special election to fill the vacancy to be held on the next available election date specified by Section 41.001, Texas Election Code, as now existing or as hereafter amended, or, in the discretion of the city council, at an earlier date as provided by Section 201.053.
4. Notwithstanding the requirements of Article III, Section 10, City Charter, that a quorum of the council consists of four (4) members, if at any time the council is reduced to less than four (4) members, the remaining members shall by majority action appoint additional members to raise the membership to four (4).
5. All vacancies filled by election shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term of the office so filled.

6. The council may not appoint any person to fill a vacancy which was created by said person's resignation, forfeiture of said person's office under Article III, or by recall of said person under Article VI. Notwithstanding anything in this subsection such person may stand for election at the next city election.

Vacancy Related Questions Contact:

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