

City of Riverside

ELECTION & CANDIDACY

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY FORM

In filing a Statement of Candidacy(SOC) form, you certify that you are fully qualified to hold the respective office for which you are a candidate if elected thereto.

Mayor and Councilmember Candidates must be 18 years of age, a US Citizen, and registered voter of the municipality at the time of qualification.

Section 11-43-1, Code of Alabama 1975 provides that every mayor, councilmember, and officer elected by the whole electorate of the city or town shall be a resident and qualified elector of the city or town at the time they qualify to run for office and shall reside within the limits of the city or town during the term of office.

All candidates must have been residents of the municipality for at least **90 days** prior to the election and be a qualified elector at the time of filing of the statement of candidacy. §11-46-22(b) and §11-46-25, Code of Alabama 1975

Candidates for election from districts must have been a resident of the district they seek to serve for at least **90 days** prior to the election. §11-43-63, Code of Alabama 1975

The term “resident” refers to domicile or permanent residence as distinguished from temporary residence. Neither residence in the police jurisdiction nor ownership of property within the corporate limits qualifies a person to vote, nor to run, in a municipal election. A candidate does not establish a legal residence merely by stating an intention to reside in a particular district. A qualified candidate must have a physical presence in the district, as well as the intention to reside in the district.

Complete the Statement of Candidacy form on the next page.

If there is not a notary available to you, the document may be signed at City Hall in front of a notary.

QUALIFICATION FEE

Payment of a \$50.00 Qualification Fee, pursuant to City Ordinance, shall be paid to the City Clerk at the time of submitting Statement of Candidacy and required qualification papers. (Please note: Campaign funds should not be co-mingled with personal funds. To ensure proper documentation of payment from your campaign account, a receipt will be issued for your campaign accounting requirements.) A municipal candidate who fails to pay their qualifying fee before the qualifying deadline passed has not properly qualified, and their name should not appear on the ballot.

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"State of Alabama, _____ County. I, the undersigned, being first duly sworn, depose and say that I am a citizen of the city (or town) of _____, in said county, and reside at _____, in said city (or town); that I have been or will have been on the date of the municipal election a resident of said city (or town) for a period of not less than 90 days; that I desire to become a candidate for the office of _____ in said city (or town) for the term of _____ years at the election for such office to be held on the _____ day of _____, 20 _____; that I am duly qualified or will be so qualified to hold said office if elected thereto and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official ballot at said election.

"Signed _____

OFFICE RUNNING FOR _____

WARD, DISTRICT OR PLACE NO. _____

CANDIDATE'S NAME AS IT SHALL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT _____

(PRINT PLEASE)

- NO NAMES MAY BE PRECEDED BY A TITLE OR NICKNAME.
- NICKNAMES MAY BE INSERTED BETWEEN THE FIRST NAME OR INITIAL AND THE LAST NAME.

"Subscribed and sworn to before me by said _____ on this _____ day of _____, 20 _____. _____ (Time)

Notary Public

"(Mayor) _____"

My Commission Expires

"(Clerk) _____"

"THIS AFFIDAVIT IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 11-46-25."
