



Rachel Quintana, Mayor
City Council:
Victor Carrejo, Place 1
Perry Duby, Place 2
Sonia Galindo, Place 3
Lourdes Cloud, Place 4
Santos Lucero, Place 5

June 7, 2023

Dear Prospective Candidate:

Thank you for your consideration to offer your services to the citizens of the Village of Vinton by becoming a candidate in this regular municipal election. In an effort to inform you of dates that will be important to you and your obligation to comply with certain applicable state statutes and local ordinances, the attached *Candidate's Packet* has been prepared with the necessary forms and pertinent instructions. Many of these are available on line through the Secretary of State and the Texas Ethics Commission's website and will not be provided within this packet in an effort to be more cost efficient. I urge you to read this letter and the enclosed material prior to filling out the specific forms.

A copy of each of the following forms and information for the November 7, 2023 Regular Election for Alderman Place 3 and Alderman Place 4 and Alderman Place 5 is included in this packet:

- Application for Place on the Ballot (<https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/2-21f.pdf>). **The loyalty oath is included on this application and must be notarized.**
- Form CFCP – Code of Fair Campaign Practices (<https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/forms/coh/cfcp.pdf>). **This form may be signed voluntarily. It is not mandatory.**
- Form CTA – Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a Candidate (<https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/forms/coh/cta.pdf>).
- Political Advertising: What You Need to Know (https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/resources/advertising/Gpol_adv.pdf).
- Political Fundraisers: What You Need to Know (<https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/resources/guides/Gpolfund.pdf>).

Filing for a place on the ballot begins July 22, 2023 (Monday-Thursday from 8:00 am- 5:30 p.m.) and ends at 5:00 p.m. August 21, 2023. Each application must be carefully reviewed to determine whether it complies with the Election Code requirements as to content; so, please file your application as soon as practicable to allow sufficient time for this review.

The following forms and information for the November 7, 2023 Regular Election for City Officials are available online at <https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/>:



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- Campaign Finance Guide for Candidates and Officeholders
 - Form CTA – Instruction Guide
 - Form ACTA – Amended Appointment of a Campaign Treasurer by a Candidate
 - Form ACTA – Instruction Guide
 - Form C/OH – **Candidate Officeholder Campaign Finance Report. This form is to be completed by the candidate or the candidate's campaign treasurer (but signed only by the candidate). Instructions on filing finance reports and final report are in the attached Instruction Guide for this form.**
 - Form C/OH – Instruction Guide
 - Calendar of important dates for filing, submitting forms, etc.

Interest in your municipal government is appreciated and I trust that this will be a positive and exciting experience for you and your supporters.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or if I may be of assistance. I can be reached at 915-886-5104 or at acarrillo@vintontx.us. Best wishes to you!

Sincerely,

Andrea Nichole Carrillo, MPA
Village Administrator

Enclosures