



CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

The following information is being provided to those candidates seeking election to the Avenal City Council. Many of these requirements are State mandated. Should you find any of the statements difficult to complete, please feel free to contact the City Clerk or City Manager for their assistance.

STEP 1: NOMINATION PAPERS

- (a) Each candidate must obtain nomination papers from the City Clerk.
- (b) At least 25, but no more than 30, registered voters must sign your nomination papers.

NOTE: ALL SIGNATURES WILL BE VERIFIED AGAINST VOTER REGISTRATION LIST.

- (c) The last day and hour for filing nomination papers is Friday, August 12, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.
- (d) The County has determined there will be a filing fee for the candidate statements of \$300.00.

STEP 2: CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

The purpose of this statement is to inform the voters of the candidate's background and qualification for elected office. There is no legal requirement to file this statement; however, those candidates who file statements will have their statement printed in English on both the sample and election ballots. There is a \$300.00 charge to the candidate for filing or printing of statements.

- (a) Candidate's statement cannot exceed 200 words (City Resolution no. 94-63).
- (b) August 12, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. is the last date and hour a candidate may withdraw (but no later) a previously filed candidate's statement.

STEP 3: BALLOTT DESIGNATION WORK SHEET:

The purpose of ballot designation contains one or more slashes separate multiple principal profession's locations or occupations. If you are proposing alternate ballot designations, please provide justification for use of those

STEP 4: STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST (FORM 700)

The law requires every candidate to file a statement of economic interest for the purpose of disclosure of his/her investment and interest in real property.

STEP 5: CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS (FORM 470)

All candidates must file this statement which contains all reportable campaign expenses information. Form 470 is for use by officeholders and candidates who:

1. Do not have a controlled committee; and
2. Do not anticipate receiving \$1,000 or more during the calendar year; and
3. Do not anticipate spending \$1,000 or more during the calendar year.

Officeholders and candidates who raised or spent \$1,000 or more file 490, available at the City Clerk's Office.

STEP 6: CAMPAIGN BANK ACCOUNT STATEMENT (FORM 501/502)

If you plan to be a candidate for a state or local office, and you intend to receive contributions from others, or you plan to expend personal funds on your campaign you must:

1. File a Candidate Intentions Statement, Form 501, with the Fair Political Practices Commission before you solicit or receive any contributions.

If you need additional information, please call Kings County Election Department:

1-800- 289- 9981 ext. 4401 / 559 - 852 – 4401 /

FAX: (559) 585 - 8453