



Dear Candidate:

This candidate packet has been prepared to assist you in complying with election filings and requirements as a candidate in the 2020 City of Tempe elections.

Candidates who provide contact information will be notified via email by the City Clerk's Office of any updated documents or information. In addition, updates will be posted to the City Clerk's elections webpage at www.tempe.gov/election as they become available.

The candidate packet contains a checklist of filing dates and requirements, and information to assist you in preparing for your candidacy, including:

- Forming a Candidate Committee
- Nomination Paperwork/Petitions
- Campaign Finance and Campaign Contribution Limits
- Miscellaneous Information, including: Signs, Open Mic/Candidate Forums, Voter Information Requests and Employee Participation in Elections

Please note that the Tempe City Clerk serves as the filing officer for all local election forms. All forms must be filed, within the deadlines noted in the Arizona Revised Statutes, with the Tempe City Clerk's Office.

Candidates are encouraged to refer to the Arizona State Constitution, the Arizona Revised Statutes, the Tempe City Charter and Tempe City Code for legal requirements pertaining to candidacy. These are available online, as follows:

- [Tempe City Charter](#)
 - [Tempe City Charter, Article VII, Nominations and Elections](#)
- [Tempe City Code](#)
 - [Tempe City Code, Chapter 13](#)
- [Arizona State Constitution](#)
- [Arizona Revised Statutes](#)

Note that in addition to these online resources, case law may apply. As state statutes and case law are subject to change and interpretation, it is recommended that you review them with your attorney to ensure compliance with current legal requirements.

If you need further assistance during the nomination period or throughout the election process, please feel free to contact the City Clerk's Office at 31 E. Fifth Street, Tempe, Arizona, 85281, email to clerk@tempe.gov, or call (480) 350-8903. While the City Clerk's Office will assist with procedural questions, this candidate packet is provided with the understanding that City Clerk's Office staff cannot render legal, financial or other professional advice.

Sincerely,

Carla R. Reece
City Clerk