

VOTER REGISTRATION AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Municipal Elections for Mayor and Board of Aldermen will be held in 2021. The Qualifying Period begins Monday, January 4, 2021 and ends at 5 p.m. Friday, February 5, 2021.

The City Clerk office has qualifying information available as well as the Secretary of State website: <https://www.sos.ms.gov/Elections-Voting/Pages/Candidate-Qualifying-Forms.aspx>

General Qualifications for Office

All candidates must meet the following requirements to qualify for office:

- Qualified elector (registered voter) of the State of Mississippi and in the municipality/ward of the office for which the candidate seeks election. Miss. Const. of 1890, Article XII, § 250.
- Resident of the municipality that he or she seeks to represent for two (2) years immediately preceding the day of the election. Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-300. The members of the Board of Aldermen shall be qualified electors (registered voters) of the municipality and, the Aldermen elected from and by wards shall be residents of their respective wards. Miss. Code Ann. § 21-3-9.
- Never have been convicted of bribery, perjury or other infamous crime, being defined as a crime punishable by a minimum of one (1) year confinement in the state penitentiary, unless pardoned for the offense. Miss. Const. of 1890, Article IV, § 44.
- Never have been convicted of a felony in a court of this state or, of a felony in a federal court, or of a crime in the court of another state which is a felony under the laws of this state, on or after December 8, 1992; excluding, however, a conviction of manslaughter or a violation of the United States Internal Revenue Code or any violation of the tax laws of this state, unless the offense also involved the misuse or abuse of an office or money coming into a candidate's hands by virtue of an office. Miss. Const. of 1890, Article IV, § 44.