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City of Santa Fe Local Election Act & Candidate Packets

SANTA FE, NM, April 12, 2019 – In light of the recent passage of the Local Election Act, Elections for City Council and Municipal Judge will take place on November 5, 2019. Anyone interested in running for an elected position will be able to pick up a candidate packet beginning Monday, May 6, 2019 in the office of the City Clerk (200 Lincoln Avenue, Room 215). Candidate packets include nominating petitions and all forms relating to Public Campaign Financing.

A candidate for the office of **City Councilor for a four-year term**, for any of the four (4) council districts, shall:

- a. be a registered voter (qualified elector) who resides within the district from which they are running; and
- b. file with the City Clerk a Nominating Petition containing the valid names, addresses and signatures of at least one-half of one percent of the registered voters [qualified electors] of the district, which the candidate seeks to represent.

A candidate for the office of **Municipal Judge for a four-year term** shall:

- a. be a registered voter [qualified elector] who resides within the city limits of the city of Santa Fe;
- b. be a licensed member of the New Mexico Bar; and
- c. file with the City Clerk a Nominating Petition containing the valid names, addresses and signatures of at least one-half of one percent of the registered voters [qualified electors] of the city.

Any candidate for City Councilor or Municipal Judge may qualify as a Participating Candidate eligible to receive fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) from the Public Campaign Finance Fund. Participating Candidates shall have collected the requisite number of five dollar (\$5.00) qualifying contributions as follows:

- City Councilor Candidates: One hundred fifty (150) five dollar (\$5.00) qualifying contributions from separate qualified electors registered to vote in the council district in which the candidate is running.
- Municipal Judge Candidates: One hundred fifty (150) five dollar (\$5.00) qualifying contributions from separate city of Santa Fe qualified electors.

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Contact: For more information regarding candidate packets, please call the **City Clerk at 505-955-6326**.