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DEPARTMENT of ELECTIONS

BECOME A CANDIDATE FOR ASHLAND TOWN COUNCIL

Next election: Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021

WHAT IS ASHLAND TOWN COUNCIL?

Citizens of Ashland elect a five-member council to direct and establish the goals and policies of the Town. These elected and appointed officials represent the people of Ashland and are responsible for adopting all ordinances and resolutions for the Town. You can learn more about Town Council and Ashland's current council members [here](#).

ARE TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS COMPENSATED?

As of July 1, 2021, Councilmembers are given a \$638.00 monthly stipend and the Mayor is provided a \$765 monthly stipend.

WHAT KIND OF TIME COMMITMENT IS REQUIRED?

Each elected or appointed official serves a staggered four-year term. Council meets at least twice each month and each Councilmember can be appointed as a liaison to various local and regional organizations and committees, such as PlanRVA and Downtown Ashland Association, that also meet on a regular basis. Additional work sessions are occasionally held by Town Council to discuss certain topics, such as the Town's annual operating and capital budget and the Town's strategic plan.

WHEN IS THE NEXT TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION?

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HOW MANY SEATS ARE UP FOR ELECTION?

Two of the five Town Council seats will be open during this election cycle.

WHO CAN RUN FOR TOWN COUNCIL?

All individuals that meet the following residency and voter registration requirements are encouraged to run! To become a candidate you **MUST**:

1. Be a resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia for one year immediately preceding the election;
2. Be a resident of the Town of Ashland; and,
3. Be registered to vote in Ashland. Learn how to register to vote [here](#).

I'M ELIGIBLE AND INTERESTED! HOW DO I BECOME A CANDIDATE?

That's great! Please complete and file the following forms with the [Hanover County Voter Registration & Election Office](#) **BY JUNE 8th AT 7:00PM.**

- a. [Certificate of Candidate Qualification – Local Office](#)

- b. [Statement of Economic Interest – Local Office](#)
- c. [Declaration of Candidacy – Local Office](#)
- d. [Petitions of Qualified Voters](#) – 125 signatures from Town residents

Late and/or incomplete forms will not be accepted. Forms can be filed via mail (P.O. Box 419 / Hanover, VA 23069), email (hanovervoting@hanovercounty.gov), or delivered in person to: Wickham Building / 7497 County Complex Road / Hanover, VA 23069

QUESTIONS?

We have the answers! Contact [Hanover County Election Office](#) or 804-365-6080 for election form and process questions, and contact Matt Reynal, Assistant Town Manager at mreynal@ashland.gov or 804-798-9219 for questions about how Town Council roles and responsibilities.

For more information on running for elected office in Virginia, please contact the Virginia Department of Elections (804-864-8901, TTY 711 or info@elections.virginia.org) or visit their [website](#) for up to date information.

Thank you for your interest in serving on Ashland's Town Council and good luck!