

City of Howell

Candidate Filing Information

Election Dates: August 6, 2019, Primary* - November 5, 2019 General

*Pursuant to Section 10.3 of the Howell City Charter, if no more than double the candidates file for each position, a Primary Election will not be held and all candidates will advance to the General Election.

Candidate Qualifications for the positions of Mayor, City Council and Board of Review:

- A registered elector in the City.
- Cannot be in default to the City.

Positions and terms to be elected:

- Mayor – 2 years – 1 position
- City Council Member – 4 years – 3 positions
- Board of Review – 4 years – 1 position

Nominating Petition Requirements:

- Nominating petitions for City offices must be issued and initialed by the City Clerk with the name and address of the candidate, title of office and primary election date filled in.
- Minimum of 25 signatures are required (maximum of 50). No person shall sign his name to a greater number of petitions for any one office than the number of positions to be elected for said office (example – 3 Council positions to be elected, the same individual signs 4 nominating petitions for Council members).
- Petition signers must be registered voters in the City of Howell.
- Certificate of Circulator must be completed and dated **after** the petition is circulated. Any signature dated after the date of the circulator certificate will not be counted.
- Completed Affidavit of Identity form must accompany filing.
- Filings will only be accepted from the candidate unless the filer has written consent from the candidate.

Nominating Petition Deadline:

- Petitions must be filed in the City Clerk's office (3rd Floor of City Hall) no later than **Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.**
- State Law prohibits filings to be accepted after the deadline.

Political Signs: Howell City Code, Article 7 Signs, Section 7.02 General Conditions, Paragraph (f)(2) states: Political signs shall be erected on private property only and not within any public right-of-way. All political signs shall be removed within five days following the day of each election.

Campaign Finance: All Candidates must register their Campaign Finance Committee with the County Clerk. The County Clerk will provide details about the campaign reporting requirements.