

City of Burleson City Charter Article III

§ 19. Terms; place numbers, absences. (El. of 5-2-1998; El. of 11-5-2013)

(a) **Composition; term.**

The city council is composed of a mayor and six councilmembers, elected at large for three-year terms beginning the first meeting of the city council following the main election, and they serve until their successors have been appointed or elected and qualified.

(b) **Terms and places.**

The mayor and each council member shall be elected at large, under the place system, with there being Places 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The mayor and each council member shall hold office for a three-year term, or until their successor is elected and duly qualified. Upon expiration of the terms of the current mayor and council members, their successors shall be elected for terms as follows:

The Mayor, Place 2, Place 4 and Place 6 shall be elected for a term of three (3) years at the 2014 general election, and for three (3) year terms thereafter.

Place 1, Place 3 and Place 5 shall be elected for a term of three (3) years at the 2015 general election, and for a three (3) year terms thereafter.

(c) **Mayor.**

The mayor as a member of the city council is not designated as a place on the ballot but is designated as "mayor".

(d) **Absences.**

Unless prevented from attending by sickness, a councilmember who is absent for three consecutive regular meetings of the city council without first having obtained leave of absence from the city council at a regular meeting, is deemed to have vacated the office, and the city council shall fill the vacancy in accordance with Section 23 of this Charter.