

Chapter 16 ELECTIONS

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 16-1. Adoption of State rules and regulations.

The rules and regulations promulgated by the State Election Board which pertain to municipal elections, together with the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, are hereby adopted as the rules, regulations, and provisions that shall govern the conduct of municipal general and special elections in this City.

(Code 2005, § 2-101)

Sec. 16-2. Expenses.

Such funds as are necessary for the conduct of elections and for the performance of the duties that are specified by this chapter shall be budgeted and appropriated annually, and from time to time.

(Code 2005, § 2-102)

Secs. 16-3—16-22. Reserved.

ARTICLE II. CANDIDATES

Sec. 16-23. Notice of candidacy.

- (a) *Filing.* Each candidate desiring to have his name placed on the ballot for an office to be filled by a municipal general or special election shall file personally or by agent notice of his candidacy in the manner required by O.C.G.A. § 21-3-132 as amended. The notice shall be accompanied by the documents and information required by said section. The time for qualification shall be as established by State law. Qualification fees for each office are hereby set at three percent of the annual salary of the office, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131 as amended.
- (b) *Designation of office sought.* In the event that a candidate seeks two or more public offices of the City having the same title, the candidate must specifically identify which seat he is a candidate for.

(Code 2005, § 2-301)

Sec. 16-24. Qualification fees.

The qualification fee for candidates filing a notice of candidacy in any general or special election shall be paid as provided in O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132, as amended.

(Code 2005, § 2-302)

Sec. 16-25. Campaign financing disclosure.

All candidates for municipal public office shall keep all such records and file all such records as are required by the Georgia Campaign and Financial Disclosure Act Title 21 – Elections, Chapter 5 Government Transparency and Campaign Finance.

(Code 2005, § 2-303)

Secs. 16-26—16-53. Reserved.

ARTICLE III. VOTING

Sec. 16-54. Election officials.

- (a) *Appointment.* The City Clerk shall be designated the Municipal Election Superintendent and shall select any required manager, assistant managers and poll officers.
- (b) *Qualifications and powers.* The Municipal Election Superintendent and all poll officers shall meet such qualifications and exercise all such powers and duties as are provided in Title 21, Chapter 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(Code 2005, § 2-401)

Sec. 16-55. Election districts.

The area comprising the corporate limits of the City, as the same is now or shall hereafter exist, shall constitute the sole election district of the City.

(Code 2005, § 2-402)

Sec. 16-56. Polling places.

The polling places within the City shall be as established from time to time.

(Code 2005, § 2-403)

Sec. 16-57. Contested elections.

Contested elections shall be governed by the provisions of O.C.G.A. §§ 21-2-520—21-2-529 as amended.

(Code 2005, § 2-407)