



**CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
MARCH 10, 2026**

| <b><u>SEATS UP FOR ELECTION</u></b> | <b><u>TERM OF OFFICE</u></b> | <b><u>ANNUAL SALARY</u></b> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Commissioner District 1             | Two-Year Term                | \$7,500                     |
| Commissioner District 2             | Two-Year Term                | \$7,500                     |

*([Madeira Beach Charter Section 2.2\(B\)](#) and [Ordinance 2023-23](#))*

***Filing Fees:*** State Election Assessment – 1% of Annual Salary (Unless Affidavit of Undue Burden is filed)  
([Florida Statute 99.093](#))

**CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS**

All candidates must have been a qualified elector and a resident of the City of Madeira Beach, Florida, for One (1) year immediately prior to their qualifying for election and a resident of the district for which he/she declare himself/herself to be a candidate for a period of six (6) months prior to the date of said application.  
([Madeira Beach Charter Sections 2.2B.](#))

**CANDIDATE QUALIFYING PERIOD**

The Candidate Qualifying Period begins at **NOON – Monday, December 1, 2025, and ends at NOON - Friday, December 12, 2025, excluding weekends.** ([Madeira Beach Charter Section 3.3\(A\)](#))

Candidate Qualifying Packets are available on the [City's website](#) and in the City Clerk's Office located at 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, FL 33708, but completed petitions, qualifying forms, and fees can only be filed with the City Clerk during the qualifying period set forth above.

\*For additional information, please contact City Clerk Clara VanBlargan at 727-391-9951, ext. 231, or [cvanblargan@madeirabeachfl.gov](mailto:cvanblargan@madeirabeachfl.gov).

**PRE-FILING FOR OFFICE (ANNOUNCING) - REQUIRED FORMS**

If you want to pre-file to announce your candidacy before qualifying for office and start your campaign, you must file the following documents in person with the City Clerk:

- Form DS-DE 9, Appointment of Campaign Treasurer and Designation of Campaign Depository, must be filed before opening your campaign account, accepting any contributions, making any campaign expenditures, or collecting petitions.
- Form DS-DE 84, Statement of Candidate, must be filed within 10 days of filing Form DS-DE 9.

Once you file to run for office, you will be listed as a filed candidate. After opening a Campaign Account, you must file Campaign Reports electronically through the Easy Campaign Finance Portal, detailing contributions and expenditures received by logging in to the Easy Campaign Finance Portal on the City's website.

<https://cityofmadeirabeachfl.easyvotecampaignfinance.com/home/publicfilings>

**METHOD OF QUALIFYING**

In addition to filing for office, all candidates must qualify for the office they're seeking. Qualifying forms are included in the Candidate Packet and can be obtained from the City Clerk. All qualifying forms, fees, and petitions must be filed with the City Clerk during the Candidate Qualifying Period. The qualifying forms will include [DS-DE 9](#) and [DS-DE 84](#) if not already filed.

([Madeira Beach Charter Section 3.3\(A\)](#))

### **EARLY SUBMITTAL OF QUALIFYING FORMS**

The City Clerk, pursuant to [Florida Statute 105.031\(6\)](#), may accept and hold qualifying papers submitted not earlier than 14 days prior to the beginning of the qualifying period, **to be processed and filed during the qualifying period.**

***Petitions:*** Candidates for the office of District Commissioner shall be nominated by petition. Each candidate shall be nominated for election by petition forms signed by qualified voters within his/her district, not less in number than twenty-five (25). Each signature shall be executed in ink, and the form shall indicate the place of the petitioner's residence. All petition forms shall contain the name of the candidate and the office and district number for which the candidate is being nominated. No candidate may seek election to more than one elective City of Madeira Beach, Florida office in any given election. ([Madeira Beach Charter Section 3.3\(C\)](#))