

## Elections

### Upcoming Elections

Information regarding the next general, municipal (City Council) election for Rockwall is as follows:

Date: Saturday, May 2, 2020

Location: Rockwall County Library  
1215 E. Yellowjacket Lane  
Rockwall, TX 75087

Note: additional early and election day countywide polling locations will be posted on [www.rockwallvotes.com](http://www.rockwallvotes.com) as soon as they are identified.

On the ballot: City Council Places 2, 4, and 6

The First Day to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot will be Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

The Last Day to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot will be Friday, February 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Candidate filings are submitted to the Rockwall City Secretary on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of City Hall (see address below).

### Candidate Eligibility

City Charter Sec. 5.02. - Filing for office [qualifications of candidates.]

- (1) Candidates for City offices must file for office in accordance with the Texas Election Code.
- (2) Candidates for elective City office must meet the following qualifications:
  - (a) Must be at least twenty-one years of age at the time of the election for which they are filing.
  - (b) Must be a qualified voter.
  - (c) Must have resided within the corporate limits of the City, or recently annexed territory, for at least twelve months prior to the filing deadline.
  - (d) Must not, after notice of any delinquency, be in arrears in payment of taxes or other liabilities due the City.
  - (e) No candidate may file in a single election for more than one office or position as provided by this Charter.

### About the Rockwall City Council

Rockwall City Council members serve 'at large,' which essentially means that the mayor and all six council members represent all constituents / voters within the city. Although no districts exist, for purposes of the ballot, each council member is elected to a specific place number. Current members of the Rockwall City Council include the following:

Place	Currently Seated	Current, two-year	(if reelected,)
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		<b>term expires in:</b>	<b>will term out in:</b>
Mayor	Jim Pruitt	May 2021	May 2021
Place 1	Bennie Daniels	May 2021	May 2023
Place 2	John Hohenshelt	May 2020	May 2022
Place 3	Kevin Fowler	May 2021	May 2021
Place 4	Trace Johannesen	May 2020	May 2024
Place 5	Dana K. Macalik	May 2021	May 2023
Place 6	Patrick Trowbridge	May 2020	May 2024

The Mayor and Council Members serving in Places 1, 3, and 5 are up for election in odd numbered years, while Places 2, 4, and 6 appear on the ballot in even numbered years. Per the city's charter, council members may serve a total of three, two-year terms (6 consecutive years) before becoming "termed out," having to sit out for one, full year before running again. Thereafter, he or she may be reelected to begin serving additional, two-year terms (again, up to a maximum of three, two-year terms or six, consecutive years).

For more information about the City Council, refer to the city's Charter, which may be found here:

[https://library.municode.com/tx/rockwall/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodeId=PTIHORUCH](https://library.municode.com/tx/rockwall/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIHORUCH)

### **Additional Information**

The City of Rockwall typically contracts with the Rockwall County Elections Administrator to run its municipal elections. For voter registration and other, related information, please contact the Rockwall County Elections Office at (972) 204-6200 or visit [www.rockwallvotes.com](http://www.rockwallvotes.com)

City Secretary, Kristy Cole, serves as the city's election official and may be reached directly at (972) 772-6406 or by email at: [kcole@rockwall.com](mailto:kcole@rockwall.com). Please note, in order to submit Public Information Requests, please do so via the online customer portal, which is accessible either from the homepage at Rockwall.com or from the City Secretary's webpage. Please **do not** e-mail requests for public information.

Official contact information for the city is as follows:

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385 S. Goliad St.  
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