

City of Pharr Candidate Requirements

Individuals who wish to run for City Commission must meet the following requirements.

1. **Must** be a citizen of the United States.
2. **Must** be 21 years of age or older.
3. **Must** be a registered voter of the City of Pharr.
4. **Must** not have been determined mentally incompetent by a final judgment of a court.
5. **Must** not have been convicted of a felony for which he/she has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities.
6. **Must** have resided for at least twelve (12) months next preceding his/her election with the corporate limits of the city of Pharr, provided that if any territory shall have been legally annexed to and incorporated within the boundaries of the City of Pharr. Any persons who shall have resided in such annexed territory for twelve (12) months next preceding such election and who possesses all other qualifications for Commissioners of Mayor herein provided, shall be eligible to be elected Mayor or Commissioner.
7. **Must** designate a Campaign Treasurer.
8. **Must** file an Application for a place on the Ballot. Application must also be accompanied by either:
 - a. A filing fee of \$1,000.00 for the position of Mayor and Commissioner; or
 - b. A sworn affidavit from an authorized representative of a legally formed 501(c)(3) non-profit organization located wholly or partly in the City of Pharr, that testifies to the following:
 - i. legal name of the organization;
 - ii. declaration that the organization is currently a legally formed 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that has been located wholly or partly in the City of Pharr for not less than an entire calendar year;
 - iii. identifies by name, address, and date of birth the person as having been authorized and approved to provide volunteer community service to the organization; and confirmation that the person performed not less than five hundred twenty (520) hours of community service to the organization without compensation during the calendar year immediately preceding the person's submission of an application for a place on the ballot or other instrument causing an election to occur.