



Blue Earth Local Candidate

The City of Blue Earth is responsible for managing official filings for local government offices. Filings required at the county, state, and federal levels are not administered through the City.

City of Blue Earth

- Filings for the following seats will be open from **July 14-28, 2026**
 - Council Member at Large – 4-year term
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 - Board of Public Works Board Member – 4-year term
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How to File for a local Blue Earth Office

If you are interested in an elected office and want to file for office, you will need to comply with the laws and rules related to filing and campaigning.

First, Become a Candidate

The first official step as an individual interested in an elected office is to complete the Affidavit of Candidacy and file for the office. The Blue Earth City Hall is the filing official for Blue Earth local office positions, including the Mayor, Council Member offices, and Board of Public Works board members.

Candidates may file at the Blue Earth City Hall at 207 W. 7th Street. The earliest you can file is 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, and all affidavits, including the filing fee of \$5.00, must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 28, 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 507-526-7336 or via email (info@becity.org).

Steps to File for Office

1. All candidates must file an Affidavit of Candidacy: The affidavit states, in part, the name of the office sought, that the candidate is an eligible voter, that the candidate has no other affidavit on file for any other office for the election, and that the name provided is the candidate's true name or name by which the candidate is commonly known in the community. The candidate must also meet the qualifications for the office and provide an ID or other qualifying proof of residence.
2. All candidates must submit a Campaign Financial Certification of Filing form.
3. All candidates must have their Affidavit of Candidacy witnessed by a Notary Public or other officer empowered to take and certify an acknowledgment. The City Clerk can act as Notary.
4. All candidates must submit the \$5.00 Filing Fee.
5. After the completed forms and filing fee are received by the City Elections Office, the City will submit the affidavit to the County, which will enter it into the state's candidate filing system.

Information and Resources Once You're a Candidate

When you file for office, it is the candidate's responsibility to understand all the laws and rules related to running for elected office. A packet of information will be provided. Additionally, below is a link to the Secretary of State website, which contains resources for candidates.

<https://www.sos.mn.gov/election-administration-campaigns/election-administration/campaign-filing-packet/>