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## NEWS RELEASE

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### Special election set for Ward 2 council seat

The City of McAlester provides more information on the special election set for the Ward 2 seat on the city council.

#### 1. What is the purpose of this election?

This Special Election is being held to fill the vacancy for the Ward 2 city councilor following the resignation of Justin Few, who won election as mayor before he was sworn-in on Nov. 12, 2024. The council voted to confirm the mayor’s appointment of Robin Woodley to fill the unexpired term.

#### 2. When is the Special Election?

Polls will be open for this election from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Feb. 11, 2025.

#### 3. Who can vote in this election?

Any qualified elector of the City of McAlester can vote for a candidate running for the Ward 2 councilor position. Ward 2 is mostly on the southeast portion of the city limits and a full map is available on the City’s website. Polling places for Ward 2 voters include:

- **Precinct 4:** Church Of Christ, 1700 S. Main
- **Precinct 5:** American Legion, 400 S. 2nd
- **Precinct 6:** Central Christian Church, 920 Central Ave.
- **Precinct 32:** Frink Community Center, 454 Frink Road

#### 4. When is the candidate filing period and who is eligible to run?

The filing period begins at 8 a.m. Dec. 2, 2024, and ends at 5 p.m. Dec. 4, 2024. No filing fee is required. Qualified candidates must:

- Be a qualified elector of the City of McAlester,
- Be at least 25 years of age,
- Have resided in the City of McAlester for at least two (2) years, and
- Have lived in Ward 2 for at least one (1) year.

#### 5. Do council candidates run on party affiliation?

No. McAlester council races are non-partisan — which means candidates will have no political party designation and no party designation or emblem will be placed on the ballot.