PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING AND ELECTION

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CITY OF FOREST ACRES

Candidate Filing Period:

A candidate filing period for the 2021 General Election in The City of Forest Acres for the election of two (2) Council Members will open at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, and close at 5 p.m. on Friday, March 12, 2021. Residents who are qualified electors desiring to be a candidate must file a Statement of Candidacy and pay a \$50 filing fee during this period at the Forest Acres City Hall Administrative Offices located at 5209 N Trenholm Road, Forest Acres, SC 29206.

<u>Filing Hours</u>: Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

<u>Filing Form:</u> The Statement of Intention of Candidacy (Nonpartisan) form required for filing is available in the "Candidate Information" section of <u>scVOTES.gov</u> and at the Forest Acres City Hall Administrative Offices.

<u>State Ethics Filings</u>: Candidates are required to file a Statement of Economic Interests and a Campaign Disclosure online with the State Ethics Commission at <u>http://ethics.sc.gov</u>. Failure to file these documents may result in a candidate fine but will not disqualify a candidate from the election. Contact the State Ethics Commission for more information.

Notice of Election:

At the close of filing, an election will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021. The last day to register to vote in person for this election is Friday, April 9, 2021. Voter registration online, by fax or email must be entered by 11:59 p.m., Sunday April 11, 2021. Voter registration by mail must be postmarked no later than Monday, April 12, 2021. To register to vote or obtain an absentee ballot, visit the Richland County Voter Registration and Elections Office 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204 or call 803-576-2240 to request an absentee ballot by phone. In person absentee voting will begin Monday, April 12, 2021 at 2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204 and end at 5 p.m. on Monday, May 10, 2021. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 11, 2021. At 9:00 a.m. on May 11, 2021 the County Board of Voter Registration and Elections will begin its examination of the absentee ballot return envelopes at the Richland County Administration Building, 2020 Hampton Street, 4th Floor Conference Room, Columbia, SC 29204. If you have any questions, please call 803-576-2240. The results of the election shall be determined according to the plurality method.

The Municipal Election Commission will hold a hearing to determine the validity of any challenged ballots and to certify the results of the election at noon on Thursday, May 13, 2021 in the City Hall Courtroom at located at 5205 N Trenholm Road, Forest Acres, SC 29206.

The following precincts and polling places will be open during the special election from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.:

| Precincts | Polling Place | |
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| Arcadia | Satchelford Elementary | 5901 Satchelford Road |
| Cooper | Brockman School | 2245 Montclair Drive |
| East Forest Acres | Brockman School | 2245 Montclair Drive |
| North Forest Acres | Trenholm Park | 3900 Covenant Road |
| South Forest Acres | Crayton Middle School | 5000 Clemson Avenue |
| Gregg Park | Crayton Middle School | 5000 Clemson Avenue |
| Keenan | Trenholm Park | 3900 Covenant Road |
| Oakwood | Satchelford Elementary | 5901 Satchelford Road |
| Satchelford | Satchelford Elementary | 5901 Satchelford Road |
| Trenholm Road | Satchelford Elementary | 5901 Satchelford Road |