



## **TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH 2025 GENERAL ELECTION FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

### **STEPS TO FOLLOW WHEN RUNNING FOR MAYOR OR COUNCIL**

1. You must be 18 years of age, a registered voter and live in the Town for at least 1 year immediately preceding the date of election.
2. The seats up for Election in 2025 are:
  - a. Mayor
  - b. Councilmember
  - c. Councilmember
3. Pickup an Election Packet from the Town Clerk's Office. This packet will have all of the forms and rules for candidacy. The section of the Code that pertains to Elections is included.
4. Review the Campaign Treasurer's Handbook. Appoint a Campaign Treasurer and open a Campaign Account at a local bank and file original papers with the Town Clerk's Office. After you have appointed your Campaign Treasurer and have opened your Campaign Account, you may now begin campaigning. You must keep a record of all of your contributions and expenditures, complete and file the necessary report on due dates with the Town Clerk. Please review the Due Dates included in your packet.
5. The qualification period for candidates to file to run for the office of Councilmember or Mayor shall commence December 30, 2024 at noon and ends on January 6, 2025 at noon. In order to be considered a candidate must:
  - a. Complete, sign and file the "Statement of Candidate", Loyalty Oat and Oath of Candidate.
  - b. Pay filing fee (\$50.00) with Campaign Account Check.
  - c. Pay the Statutory Election Assessment as required by Section 99.093(1) Florida Statute, competed as 1% of the annual mayoral

or council salary, respectively, as specified in Section 2-22 of the Town Code. (Separate check from filing fee and payable with Campaign Account Check).

- d. Complete and file "Statement of Financial Interests Form".
  - e. Must comply with "Resign to Run" Statute (99.012, F.S.), if applicable.
6. Additional Resources: The Florida Statutes Chapter 112 provides information on the Code of Ethics for public officers and employees, this information can be accessed at the State of Florida website at [www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes).
7. Please review the State of Florida Election Laws and check their website for updates at <http://election.dos.state.fl.us>