



**City of Ammon  
2023 General Election Information**

**GENERAL ELECTION DATE:** Tuesday – November 7, 2023

**SEATS UP FOR ELECTION:**

Four City Council Seats (Seats #1, #3, #4, #5)

*Seats 1, 3, and 5 are on regular election cycles of four-year terms. Seat 4 will be up for a two-year term*

**INCUMBENTS:** The incumbents whose terms will expire as City Council Members in 2023:

Seat #1: Scott Wessel

Seat #3: Rex Thompson

Seat #4: George Vander Meer

Seat #5: Heidi Boyle

**QUALIFICATIONS TO RUN FOR CITY OFFICE:**

- ✓ The candidate must be at least 18 years of age
- ✓ The candidate must be a U.S. citizen
- ✓ The candidate's primary residence must be in the city.
- ✓ The candidate must be registered to vote, and the address of the candidate's voter registration must match the residence address provided on the candidate's declaration.
- ✓ The candidate must have resided in the city limits for at least 30 days prior to submitting their declaration.

**CANDIDATES:** Any qualified elector living within the City Limits of Ammon may become a candidate by submitting their Declaration of Candidacy along with: (1) the Petition of Candidacy form signed by not less than five (5) qualified electors; or (2) a nonrefundable filing fee of forty dollars (\$40).

A candidate may also submit a Declaration of Intent for Write-in Candidates, as provided in Idaho Code § 34-702A.

**CANDIDATE FILING PERIOD:** The period for a candidate to file their Declaration of Candidacy and Petition (or \$40) is between **8:00 a.m. on Monday, August 28, 2023 and 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 8, 2023.**

***IMPORTANT:*** *The Idaho Code makes it clear that candidates are responsible for having petition signatures verified by the County Clerk (Elections Office at 497 N Capital Ave Idaho Falls, ID 83402) before submitting a Petition of Candidacy to the City Clerk by the prescribed deadline. Also, please note that the Declaration of Candidacy and the Petition of Candidacy must be notarized prior to submitting them to the County Elections Office for verification.*

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE INFORMATION:** All candidates are required to appoint a treasurer once he/she has raised or spent \$500 with the Idaho Secretary of State's Office. All candidates now report online via the Secretary of State's Finance Portal. For more information see: <https://sos.idaho.gov/elections-division/campaign-finance>



**OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION:**

**WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT OF AN ELECTED CITY COUNCIL MEMBER:** Council Members are expected to attend all City Council Meetings – currently held at 7:00pm on the first and third Thursday of each month, and at 4:30pm on the second Thursday of each month. Council Members are expected to spend some time preparing themselves for public meetings by reviewing materials provided by City Staff. Council Members may also be asked to serve on local boards and committees.

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS:** The salary of elected officials is set by ordinance. The Mayor and each Council Member shall receive a biweekly stipend and benefit packages for insurance are available including health, dental, vision, life, and PERSI retirement, during his/her term of office.

**ELECTION CAMPAIGN SIGNS:** Political signs may be posted up to 60 days prior to an election and must be removed within 10 days following the election. Signs may be placed on private property with permission of the land owner but CANNOT be placed within any public right-of-way areas. For more information, refer to the Ammon Sign Code within Title 10, Chapter 34. (Also see Idaho Code 18-7209)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the City Clerk's Office 208-612-4010.

Sincerely,

Kristina Buchan, City Clerk  
City of Ammon