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There is a four-way race for the unexpired term for Place 6 on the Burleson City Council.

Janine Austin-Quinn and Jim Bailey filed for Place 6 on Monday, the deadline to file to have the name on the May 14 ballot. This is the seat that longtime councilmember Chip Stephens held until Stephens turned in his resignation letter Feb. 21. Stephens will serve until after the May 14 election.

Austin-Quinn, Bailey, Joshua Pickrell, and Larry Pool are vying for Place 6.

Place 3 Councilmember Matt Powell faces two challengers – Jerry W. Allen and Brian S. Cameron.

Place 5 Councilmember Dan McClendon is opposed by Leslee Clark Ahrend.

Place 1 Councilmember Stuart Gillaspie did not draw an opponent.

Place 1

- Gillaspie, 48, is a transportation manager. He is a lifetime resident of the state and Burleson.

Place 3

- Powell, 46, is a land surveyor. He has lived in Texas for more than 9-1/2 years, all of which have been in Burleson.
- Allen, 62, is a real estate investor. He is a 41-year resident of the state and a 22-year resident of Burleson.
- Cameron, 61, is a software engineer. He has been a Texas resident for 32 years and a Burleson resident for just over one year.

Place 5

- McClendon, 58, is employed as a contractor. He is a lifetime resident of Texas and a 33-year resident of Burleson.

- Ahrend, 40, is employed as a teacher. She is a lifetime resident of Texas and a 19-year resident of Burleson.

Place 6

- Austin-Quinn, 38, is employed as a teacher. She is a lifetime Texas resident and a seven-year resident of Burleson.
- Bailey, 77, is a business owner. He has lived in Texas for 53 years and in Burleson for 51 years.
- Pickrell, 31, is a six-year resident of Texas. He has lived in Burleson for just over one year. Pickrell is employed in software development.
- Pool, 49, is employed in the insurance industry. He is a 15-year resident of the state and a two-year resident of the city.

The years of residence listed on the council applications that are posted on the City website, www.burlesontx.com, are length of continuous residence as of the date of the application, not necessarily the total number of years the candidate has lived in the state or in the city.

The last day to file as a write-in candidate for the May 14 election is March 21.

If you want to vote in the Burleson City Council election, you must be a resident of Burleson (you pay City taxes) and you must register to vote by April 14. Voter registration cards are available at city hall and the Burleson Public Library as well as through election offices in Tarrant County and Johnson County.

Early voting will be May 2-May 7 (Monday-Saturday), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and May 9-10 (Monday-Tuesday), 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Election Day is Saturday, May 14, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. All voting takes place at Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro St.

For more information, go to the City website, www.burlesontx.com, Departments, City Secretary, Elections. You can also call the city secretary's office at 817-426-9660 or e-mail City Secretary Amanda McCrory at amccrory@burlesontx.com.