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Three of the four incumbents have filed for re-election to their Burleson City Council seats.

Ronnie Johnson, Place 6, was the first to file at 9 a.m. on Jan. 29. He was followed by Matt Aiken, Place 4, at 11:40 a.m. and Ken Shetter, mayor, at 4 p.m.

Place 2

No filings

Place 4

Matt Aiken, 33, attorney, is a lifelong resident of Texas and has lived in Burleson for the last eight continuous years.

Place 6

Ronnie Johnson, 68, is retired. He is a lifelong resident of Texas and has lived in Burleson for the last 41 continuous years.

Mayor

Ken Shetter, 42, is an attorney/executive director. He is a lifelong resident of Texas and has lived in Burleson for the last 15 continuous years.

If you want to represent your neighbors on the Burleson City Council, candidate packets for the May 10, 2014, City election are available at Burleson City Hall. The city secretary's office has the packets ready to pick up, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday and at city council meetings on Feb. 3 and Feb. 17. Those council meetings start at 7 p.m. The filing period is Jan. 29-Feb. 28.

The four seats on the ballot include Place 2, held by Councilmember Rick Green; Place 4, held by Councilmember Matt Aiken; Place 6, held by Councilmember Ronnie Johnson; and mayor, held by Ken Shetter. Due to the Nov. 5 change to the charter, the candidates who fill the four spots on the council in May will be serving three year terms instead of two year terms.

Candidates must be at least 18 years old on the date they apply for a place on the ballot; a citizen of the United States; a qualified voter of the city; a resident of the city or have resided in the city for at least one year immediately preceding the

date of the election; and not be delinquent in the payment of property taxes due to the City of Burleson.

If you want to vote in the May 10 City election, you must register to vote by April 10. If you live in Johnson County, register to vote through the Johnson County election administrator, 817-556-6197 or go to www.johnsoncountyelections.com. If you live in Tarrant County, register to vote through the Tarrant County election administrator, 817-831-8683 or go to www.tarrantcounty.com/elections.

All early voting will take place at the City of Burleson's West Building, 113 S. Wilson St. Early voting hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., April 28-May 2 (Monday-Friday); and 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 5-6 (Monday/Tuesday). The polls are open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on Saturday, May 10, at the West Building at 113 S. Wilson St.

Burleson City Hall is located at 141 W. Renfro St. For more information, contact the city secretary's office at 817-426-9661.