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City Election Candidates Will File Nomination Papers With Their City Clerk

CLINTON – Clinton County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections Eric Van Lancker is announcing candidates will file their nomination paperwork with their city clerks to place their name on the ballot for the November 7, 2017, City Election.

A new state law went into effect in 2015 that required candidates to file with the County Auditor. The Iowa Legislature has since changed the law to allow County Auditors to designate city clerks as filing officers for the City Elections.

“I am designating city clerks to be the filing officers for all City Elections in Clinton County based on concerns I heard from city clerks and candidates in 2015,” Van Lancker explained.

The filing period for City Election candidates starts Monday, August 28. Candidates must return their completed documents to their city clerk’s office before the filing deadline of 5 p.m. on September 21.

Van Lancker said he has communicated the change with all of the city clerks in Clinton County.

“We have provided filing officer guidance to the city clerks as well as met with many of them for a training on filing officer responsibilities,” Van Lancker said. “I believe returning this duty back to the city clerks will be beneficial to our city candidates.”

For more information about the 2017 City Elections in Clinton County, contact the Clinton County Auditor’s office at 563-244-0568.

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