



## City of White Cloud 2026 City Council Election Packet

Thank you for your interest in serving the citizens of The City of White Cloud. The following information is intended to provide guidance to prospective candidates for the White Cloud City Council.

**General Information:** White Cloud City Council Elections are held in November in even-numbered years. City Council candidates must be a US citizen, a registered elector of the City and a resident of the City for at least two (2) years prior to the date of the election. No person is eligible for any elective office that is in default to the City.

**Election Date:** The City Council Election will be held on **Tuesday, November 3, 2026.**

### **Council Positions:**

**Mayor - One (1) Position    Two (2) Year Term Ending December 31, 2028**

**Council Member – Three (3) Positions    Four (4) Year Terms Ending December 31, 2030**

**Affidavit of Identity:** Candidates who wish to seek office at the November election must file an Affidavit of Identity.

**Nominating Petitions:** Candidates who wish to seek office at the November election must file Nominating Petitions. The number of valid signatures required on nominating petitions for the City of White Cloud is a minimum of 15 signatures and a maximum of 30 signatures to meet the signature requirement per the City Charter. Information publication from SOS (Secretary of State) included.

**Filing Deadline:** The Affidavit of Identity and Nominating Petitions must be filed no later than 4 p.m., Tuesday, July 21, 2026, with the City Clerk.

**Affidavit of Council Eligibility for the City of White Cloud Council:** As part of our Charter, this affidavit certifies eligibility of those filing for office.

**Filing Location:** Candidates are required to file with the Clerk, Kelli Arnold, White Cloud City Office, 12 N. Charles Street, White Cloud, MI 49349.

**Campaign Finance Disclosure Requirements:** Candidates seeking public office in Michigan are required to meet the disclosure requirements provided under Michigan's Campaign Finance Act. Information and forms can be obtained from the Newaygo County Clerk's Office (231) 689-7235. **This is required for first-time filers of the office they are seeking.** A copy of the form is included for your information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I am available Monday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. Email: [clerk@cityofwhitecloud.org](mailto:clerk@cityofwhitecloud.org)

Kelli Arnold, Clerk