

## **Standard Eligibility Requirements for Public Office**

### **Election Code Sec. 141.001(a)**

- Be a United States Citizen
- Be 18 years of age or older on the first day of the term to be filled at the election
- Have not been determined mentally incompetent by a final judgment of a court
- Have not been finally convicted of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the resulting disabilities
- Have resided continuously in the state for 12 months and in the territory, as applicable, for six months immediately preceding the deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot
- Candidate must satisfy any other eligibility requirements prescribed by law for this office

### **City of Bellmead Home Rule Charter Requirements**

- Citizen of United States
- Qualified voter of the State of Texas
- Shall have resided for at least two (2) years next preceding the election, at which they are candidates, within the corporate limits of Bellmead
- Shall not be in arrears in the payment of any taxes or other liability due the city

Candidates will file application with the City Secretary designating office sought and sworn statement by the candidate that they are fully qualified under the Laws of the State of Texas and the provisions of the Charter.

### **Qualified Voter\***

Election Code Sec. 11.001 and 11.002

- A person meets the age requirement for voting on the day before his 18th birthday [Sec. 1.016]
- 18 years of age or older on the day of the election
- Citizen of the United States
- Not disqualified as mentally incompetent
- Not disqualified as a convicted felon [Discharge papers issued by pardons & paroles division]
- Resident of the state on the day of the election
- A registered voter on the day of the election

### **Eligibility to Vote**

Election Code Sec. 11.001

- Be a qualified voter as defined above
- Be a resident of the territory covered by the election for the office on which the person desires to vote
- Satisfy all other requirements for voting prescribed by law for particular election.