QUALIFICATIONS TO RUN FOR OFFICE

Eligibility

A Candidate must be:

- a United States citizen;
- at least 18 years of age by Election Day (November 3, 2026);
- a registered voter in the City of Moreno Valley **at the time nomination papers are issued; and**
- eligible to take the Oath/Affirmation of Office.

PLEASE NOTE that District Councilmember candidates must also be a resident of the geographical areas comprising the District from which they are seeking election.

The City Clerk will confirm that the candidate is a registered voter within the City. Residency and voter registration status are verified by the Riverside County Registrar of Voters as part of the consolidated election process; it is the candidate's responsibility to assure that they meet all other legal requirements.

Incompatible Offices

State law prohibits a public officer from simultaneously holding two public offices that are incompatible, unless expressly authorized by law. Offices are incompatible when any of the following circumstances are present: Either of the offices may audit, overrule, remove members of, dismiss employees of, or exercise supervisory powers over the other office or body.

- Based on the powers and jurisdiction of the offices, there is a possibility of a significant clash of duties or loyalties between the offices.
- Public policy considerations make it improper for one person to hold both offices.

When two public offices are incompatible, a public officer is deemed to have vacated the first office upon accepting the second. If you have any questions regarding whether you currently occupy a public office that is incompatible for the seat you are seeking, please contact the California Attorney General's Office at (916) 445-9555 or visit their website at www.oag.ca.gov. For further information about conflict of interest or incompatibility of offices, please contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at (866) 275-3772 or visit their website at www.fppc.ca.gov.