THE NOMINATION STEPS

The following steps must be completed in order to qualify as a candidate for the following offices:

Mayor – 2 year term
Council District 2 – Four Year Term
Council District 4 – Four Year Term

NOMINATION PERIOD IS JULY 13, 2026, THROUGH AUGUST 7, 2026

STEP 1. PICK UP NOMINATION DOCUMENTS

It is highly recommended that the candidate schedules an appointment with the City Clerk, who serves as the local filing officer for this consolidated election, to pick up all nomination documents personally. This will provide the candidate with the opportunity to ask questions about the nomination process and the nomination documents. However, a candidate may authorize (in writing) a designated representative to pick up the candidate's nomination documents. A candidate may pick up an Authorization Form from the City Clerk Department or request a copy via email at dept_cityclerk@moval.org.

STEP 2. CIRCULATE NOMINATION PAPER (PETITION)

The nomination petition may only be circulated between July 13, 2026, and August 7, 2026. The nomination petition may only be circulated by one person, who must be 18 years of age or older. The petition must have at least 20 signatures and not more than 30. To be a valid signature, the signer must be a registered Moreno Valley voter, and must reside in the same District of the respective candidate if the candidacy is for a District Councilmember office. Also, if a signer signed a competing candidate's nomination petition, the signature that will be recognized as valid would be the one appearing on the first petition filed.

Signature and voter-registration verification is conducted by the Riverside County Registrar of Voters as part of the consolidated election process.

STEP 3. CIRCULATOR TO EXECUTE DECLARATION

The person circulating the nomination petition must complete the "Declaration of Circulator" after the nomination petition has been circulated. If the candidate is the circulator, the candidate must complete the affidavit. The circulator must sign the Declaration of Circulator, under penalty of perjury, that the circulator personally witnessed the signing of the nomination petition and knows that they are the signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

STEP 4. FILE PETITION AND OTHER REQUIRED FORMS WITH CITY CLERK

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Once the nomination petition has been completed, in addition to other required nomination documents, the candidate should contact the City Clerk Department at (951) 413-3001 to schedule an appointment to submit the completed nomination documents. The candidate may have a designated representative submit their nomination petition and other required nomination documents, provided that the candidate's signature on the required Declaration of Candidacy has been notarized. If the candidate drops off their nomination documents, the City Clerk will witness the signing of the Declaration of Candidacy in lieu of a Notary Public. ***It is highly recommended that the candidate personally submit their nomination petition and other required nomination documents.***

ONGOING:

Complete and file all required campaign finance reporting forms as mandated by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC).