

Belton Code of Ordinances Chapter 2 – Administration, City Council

Sec. 2-32. - Composition; qualifications; election and terms.

- (a) *Composition.* The city council shall consist of nine members, one of whom shall be the mayor. The mayor shall be elected by qualified voters, as provided in Charter section 10.1(d), of the city at large. The remaining eight members shall be elected as follows. Two city councilmembers shall be elected by qualified voters from each of the four respective wards of the city, as provided by Charter section 10.4. Wherever used in the city Charter, the term "entire city council" shall mean a city council of nine members, regardless of vacancies.
- (b) *Qualifications.* A city councilmember shall have been a resident of the city for two years next preceding election and a qualified voter and shall remain a resident of his or her ward and a qualified voter. A city councilmember shall have been a resident of his or her respective ward for six months next preceding election.
- (c) *Election and terms.* City councilmembers shall be elected to serve staggered three-year terms as provided by Charter section 17.2(b). At each regular municipal election, city councilmembers shall be elected to fill the offices of those whose terms expire.