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and submit such certification to the county supervisor of elections. Upon receipt of such certification, the supervisor of elections will then cause the candidate's name to be placed upon the ballot. A candidate shall then submit the qualifying evidence to the city clerk.

(Code 1975, § 9-25; Ord. No. 500, § 5, 6-7-93; Ord. No. 05-838, § 12, 3-21-05)

State law reference—Oath of candidates, F.S. § 99.012.

Sec. 12-7. Time of filing oath and fee.

Every candidate for mayor or council member shall file a sworn statement and shall pay the filing fee to the office of the city clerk anytime after noon on the 50th day prior to the first state, county or special district primary election, but no later than noon on the 46th day prior to the first state, county or special district primary election. During years in which there are no state, county or special district elections, the qualifying period shall begin after noon on the 50th day prior to the election in which office is sought, and end at noon on the 46th day prior to the election in which office is sought. If the final day for qualification falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the qualification deadline shall be noon on the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

(Code 1975, § 9-19; Ord. No. 154, § 1, 6-21-82; Ord. No. 268, § 2, 6-2-86; Ord. No. 04-816, § 2, 7-14-04; Ord. No. 05-838, § 12, 3-21-05)

Sec. 12-8. Unopposed candidates.

(a) The names of unopposed candidates shall not appear on the ballot in a municipal election unless a write-in candidate has qualified under a state statute.

(b) Each unopposed candidate shall be deemed to have voted for himself.
(Code 1975, § 9-4; Ord. No. 500, § 5, 6-7-93; Ord. No. 05-838, § 12, 3-21-05)

State law reference—Write-in candidates, F.S. § 99.061(3).

Sec. 12-9. Election returns.

The inspectors shall canvass the vote upon the closing of the polls and shall publicly proclaim the result. The clerk of election shall prepare duplicate certificates of the result of such election, one (1) of which shall be transmitted to the mayor and the other with the ballot box to the council, through the city clerk. Such certificates shall contain in words written in full length, the names of all persons voted for in each office and the number of votes cast for such person for each office or proposition voted for, and shall be signed by the clerk and inspectors. In case there shall be more than one (1) voting place, it shall be the duty of the inspectors and clerks of the various voting places to meet immediately after the individual canvass, consolidate the returns and certify the results to the mayor and the city council.

(Code 1975, § 9-14; Ord. No. 500, § 5, 6-7-93; Ord. No. 05-838, § 12, 3-21-05)

Sec. 12-10. Canvassing board.

(a) At least one (1) day before any election, the city commission shall appoint a canvassing board, which shall consist of: the city clerk or deputy clerk, the county supervisor of elections, and the mayor or vice mayor. In the event the mayor is an opposed candidate in such election,