



TOWN OF SMYRNA, DELAWARE  
**PUBLIC NOTICE:**  
SOLICITATION OF CANDIDATES  
FOR TOWN OF SMYRNA COUNCIL  
TOWN OF SMYRNA ELECTION TO  
BE HELD APRIL 28, 2026

**Positions Open:**

At-Large seat with a term of 3 years (May 2026 – April 2029)

District 2 seat with a term of 3 years (May 2026 – April 2029)

**Eligibility Requirements for Council:**

1. 21 years of age or older.
2. Shall not have been convicted of a felony, [must pass a recent background check].
3. Resident of the Town of Smyrna for at least 1 year prior to the election.
  - a. Candidates for a representative district council seat must have resided in the district for at least 1 year prior to the election.
4. Qualified to vote at a Town election, which additionally requires a candidate to:
  - a. Be a U.S. citizen
  - b. Never have been adjudged a mentally incompetent person by a court of competent jurisdiction
  - c. Never have been disenfranchised pursuant to the Delaware Constitution.

**Procedure for Filing to Run for Office:**

Complete the following

1. Candidate Filing Form
  - a. Forms are available at Town Hall and on the Town's website
  - b. Indicate the Term of Office requested; only one (1) selection
2. Complete a background check at Delaware State Bureau of Identification
  - a. Location: 600 S. Bay Rd, Dover, DE 19901

Drop off or mail completed forms to:

Town of Smyrna  
Attn: Election personnel  
27 S. Market St plaza  
Smyrna, DE 19977

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS:**

Individuals qualified to vote in elections who are unable to appear in person to cast a ballot because of being in the public or military service of the United States, being unavoidably absent from the town on the day of the election, due to sickness or physical disability, or as otherwise permitted under 15 Del. C. § 7571, may file with the town a written affidavit requesting an absentee ballot no later than 12:00 noon the day before the election.

Affidavit forms are available at Town Hall or on the town website.

**FILING DEADLINE: 4:30 P.M. MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026**

**Both the Candidate filing form and the Background check  
have to be submitted on or before this date.**

**For further information or forms, please visit**

**WWW.SMYRNA.DELAWARE.GOV**

**Town of Smyrna, 302-653-9231**