

**TITLE II POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION**  
**CHAPTER 8 NOMINATION OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

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**2-8-1 PURPOSE.** The purpose of the ordinance is to elect the provisions of Chapter 45, of the 2011 Code of Iowa, as the same relates to the nomination of candidates to elective city offices.

**2-8-2 RUN-OFF ELECTION ADOPTED.** Pursuant to the provisions of Section 376.3 of the 2011 Code of Iowa, the city does hereby adopt, elect, and choose provisions of Chapter 45 of the 2011 Code of Iowa as the same relates to nominations of candidates for elective city offices.

**2-8-3 MUNICIPAL ELECTION.** Four weeks prior to the municipal election, the clerk and mayor shall canvass the petitions of all candidates that have been filed with the clerk and shall find all candidates that have filed proper petitions to be the nominees for the offices sought. The clerk shall then do all things necessary for conducting the municipal election.

**2-8-4 CANVASS OF VOTES.** On the day following the municipal election, the clerk shall publicly canvass said election returns. The clerk shall report said canvass results to the council, listing the names of those candidates who have been elected for office and also listing the names of those candidates for office whose names must be placed on the run-off ballot indicating the offices which are to be filled as a result of the following conditions:

1. If no candidate for a single office receives a majority of the votes cast for that office, the two (2) candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be placed upon the run-off ballot.
2. If any of the top candidates, in an at-large contest, to the number of positions to be filled receives less than a majority of the votes cast at the election, those candidates receiving a majority of the votes shall be declared elected and those candidates receiving the next highest number of votes but not having a majority, to the number of twice the number of unfilled positions, shall be placed on the run-off ballot.

**2-8-5 PUBLICATION OF BALLOT.** If there must be a run-off election, the clerk shall forthwith cause to be published once in a newspaper or newspapers published within the municipal corporation and of general circulation therein, in proper form the names of persons as they are to appear on the municipal run-off ballot, said publication to be not less than five (5) days before said run-off election.

**2-8-6 RUN-OFF ELECTION.** Any such run-off election shall be held two (2) weeks after the regular municipal election. The run-off election shall be conducted in the same manner as provided by law for conducting municipal elections except that there shall be no added voter registrations accepted for said election, but transfers may be accepted until ten (10) days before the election, as now provided under law.