

**CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT
Municipal Offices**

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

TO THE CANDIDATE:

The Candidate's Statement is optional. Indicate your decision below and return this form with your Nomination Documents.

I do not wish to submit a Candidate's Statement. _____
CANDIDATE'S INITIALS

I am submitting my Candidate's Statement for **County Voter Information Guide & Electronic Distribution.**

I am submitting my Candidate's Statement for **Electronic Distribution only.**

TO CANDIDATE SUBMITTING A CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT:

Please check below concerning payment of Candidate's Statement deposit.

Candidate's Statement for **County Voter Information Guide & Electronic Distribution** in Riverside County required deposit of \$700⁰⁰ is submitted herewith.

I understand that I must pay **my pro rata share of the actual cost.** I agree that if my pro rata share exceeds the deposit, I will pay the difference when billed.

Signature of Candidate _____

Elections Code Section 13307 authorizes candidate's statement for electronic distribution. It requires the statement to be posted on the internet website of the elections official, permits the statement to be included in a voter's pamphlet that is electronically distributed, and prohibits the statement from being included in a voter's pamphlet that is printed and mailed to voters.

Candidate's Statement for **Electronic Distribution only** in Riverside County required deposit of \$260 is submitted herewith.

Signature of Candidate _____

I request a waiver of the deposit on the grounds of indigence. My Statement of Financial Worth is submitted herewith. I am aware that if notified that indigent status is not granted, I must pay the deposit within three days of notification or my Candidate's Statement will not be printed.

Further, I am aware that if indigent status is granted, I am excused only from payment of the deposit. I will be required to pay **my pro rata share of the actual cost**, and I agree to do so when billed.

Signature of Candidate _____

No deposit is required. (The district pays the cost.)

NOTE: Pursuant to Elections Code Section § 13308 Candidate statements shall be limited to a recitation of the candidate's own personal background and qualifications and shall not in any way make reference to other candidates for that office or to another candidate's qualifications, character, or activities. The Registrar of Voters will not print or circulate any statement that makes reference to other candidates.

WORD COUNT (Elections Code § 9)	
Punctuation	free
Dictionary words and single characters	one
Each abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression	one
All proper nouns, including geographical names, shall be considered as one word: example, "City and County of San Francisco"	one
Whole numbers: Digits (1 or 10 or 100, etc.) Spelled out (one or ten or one hundred)	one one for each word
Dates: (5/30/02) or (May 30, 2002)	one
Hyphenated words (unless dictionary defined as one word)	one for each word
Phone Number	one
Internet Address	one

I've had the honor of serving the citizens of Beaumont as a Council Member over the last 8 years. Additionally, my 35 years of experience in the County of Riverside Building Department has provided me an in-depth understanding of the development process, budgeting, city operations and the importance of teamwork.

My highlighted achievements:

- Helped to eliminate corruption in the city.
- Saved the city taxpayer millions of dollars by negotiating a settlement to avoid litigation.
- Transformed an 11 million dollar deficit into a budget surplus.
- Improved over 150 miles of city streets
- Added additional police officers, K9 units and modern equipment to enhance public safety
- Approved construction of a new modern fire station.

There is more work to be done, I will:

- Work to step up design guidelines so our new homes and industrial buildings are more compatible with their surroundings.
- Fairly consider the impact of new construction on our community's health, traffic flow and environment.
- Prioritize street improvements
- Work toward funding the railroad overpass at Pennsylvania
- Prioritize public safety in our community
- Improve and enhance our public parks

Invest in your community, vote for Mike Lara