

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT
Municipal Offices

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



TO CANDIDATE SUBMITTING A CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT:

Option 1

Electronic Distribution ONLY

Required Deposit: \$ 260

Deposit paid with City Clerk.

Candidate Signature

Option 2

County Voter Information Guide & Electronic Distribution

Required Deposit: \$ _____

Deposit paid with City Clerk.

Candidate Signature

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.

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.

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.

Candidate Signature

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.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR COMPUTING THE WORD COUNT:	
Punctuation is not counted.	
Dictionary words and single characters	One word
The words "a," "the," "and," "an," are counted as individual words.	
All proper nouns, including geographical names, shall be considered as one word. For example, "City and County of San Francisco."	One word
Abbreviations – UCLA, U.C.L.A., PTA, P.T.A., USMC, U.S.M.C.	One word
Hyphenated words appearing in any standard reference dictionary.	One word
Dates – All digits (5/30/05)	One word
Words and digits (May 30, 2005)	One word
Whole number digits (1 or 10 or 100, etc.)	One word
Spelled out (one or ten or one hundred)	One for each word
Numeric combinations (1978, 18 ½, 1971-73, 5%)	One word
Monetary amounts (if the dollar sign is used with figures - \$1,000)	One word
Spelled out (one thousand dollars)	One for each word
Telephone numbers	One word
Internet web site address	One word
If the text exceeds the word limit, the candidate must edit the statement to comply with the official word count before the statement can be filed.	

NAME OF OFFICE SOUGHT:

City Council

- WARD
- DIVISION
- TRUSTEE AREA (IF ANY)

FULL TERM

SHORT TERM

JURISDICTION:

NAME OF DISTRICT

OCCUPATION:

(OPTIONAL, If left blank your Ballot Designation will be used)

AGE:

(OPTIONAL)

CANDIDATE:

Joseph Mathews

PRINTED NAME



SIGNATURE

CONTEST ID:

Briefly state your Education and Qualifications:

Please verify with the City Clerk about word count.

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

TOTAL
WORD
COUNT:

Hello, I'm Joe Mathews, a U.S. Navy Veteran and Candidate for Beaumont City Council. A proud product of this community, I transformed my life from a high school dropout to earning a Bachelor's in Counseling and a Master's in Business Administration. My journey reflects dedication to overcoming challenges, and my goal is to help others do the same.

As the Legislative Intern Program/Youth Commission Coordinator, I create growth opportunities for youth and advocate for their needs with the support and guidance of the Board of Supervisors. Previously, as an Employer Services Consultant, I supported small businesses by filling employment gaps with county residents, strengthening our workforce.

With eight years at Morongo Tribal TANF, I implemented community assistance programs to uplift Native families, supporting their development to achieve self-sufficiency. This led me to become a certified facilitator for Native American Fatherhood and Families Association, nourishing family relationships and addressing key issues.

My personal and professional work is dedicated to making a difference in our residents' lives, promoting a brighter future for our community by ensuring every voice is heard and every resident thrives.

I ask for your support to help build a brighter future; together, we can make a difference.