



# WAYNESBORO REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

## OFFICIAL CALL

### FOR MASS MEETING TO NOMINATE CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

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As Chairman of the Waynesboro Republican Committee (“WRC”), pursuant to the Republican Party of Virginia Plan of Organization, and as recommended and directed by the WRC, I, Dwight Williams, do hereby issue this call for a Mass Meeting to be held at the **Waynesboro Elks Lodge**, located at **1700 Harvard Rd., Waynesboro, Virginia 22980**, or alternative location, starting at **10:00 AM**, Eastern Time (hereafter “ET”), on **Saturday, May 21, 2022**, or an alternate location, date and/or time, for the following purposes:

1. Nomination of one (1) Republican candidate in the November 8, 2022 General Election for the Constitutional Office of **Ward C City Council Member**.
2. Nomination of one (1) Republican candidate in the November 8, 2022 General Election for the Constitutional Office of **Ward D City Council Member**.
3. For the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the mass meeting.

If in compliance with the prefile requirement, *infra*, all legal and qualified voters in the City of Waynesboro under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, regardless of race, religion, national origin or sex, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican

Party and who, if requested, express in open meeting either orally or in writing as may be required their intent to support all of its nominees for public office in the ensuing election may participate as members of the Republican Party of Virginia in this mass meeting.

In addition to the foregoing, to be in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, a person otherwise qualified hereunder shall not have participated in Virginia in a nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party within the last five (5) years. A single exception shall be approved for a voter who renounces affiliation with any other party in writing, and who expresses in writing that he/she is in accord with the principles of the Republican Party and intends, at the time of the writing, to support the nominees of the Republican Party in the future. Any voter who utilizes the foregoing exception, and thereafter participates in the nomination process of a party other than the Republican Party, shall not have the benefit of the exception thereafter. Within 30 days of receipt, the Official Committee shall provide a copy of this signed renunciation statement to the Republican Party of Virginia, to be maintained for a period of five (5) years.

Any Military Member who is otherwise qualified under Article I to participate in Republican Party actions and who complies with the procedures to participate, and who produces valid military identification or other proof of active-duty status shall be certified as a participant in the mass meeting.

Military Members who are certified pursuant to the foregoing paragraph who are unable to attend the mass meeting in person due to obligations of their official military orders, shall have their votes cast according to candidate preference ballots. Candidate preference ballots shall list the Military Member's rank order preference among candidates (i.e., first choice, second choice, third choice, etc.). Their votes shall be cast for the highest ranked choice candidate who remains eligible to receive a vote in a particular round of voting. Candidate preference ballots shall be returned to the WRC Chairman or his designee not less than seven (7) days prior to the mass meeting.

### **PREFILING OF MASS MEETING PARTICIPANTS**

It is recommended, though not required, that any individual seeking to participate in the mass meeting submit a completed mass meeting "Participant Pre-File Form". Submitting the pre-file form speeds up the registration process of the individual at the mass meeting.

The completed mass meeting “Participant Pre-File Form” must be delivered to the Waynesboro Republican Committee c/o Craig Scott, Vice Chair, no later than **5:00 PM ET on Friday, May 13, 2022**. Postmarks do not govern. Forms delivered after the deadline may or may not be processed in advance of the mass meeting. Forms may be:

1. Mailed or delivered (by appointment) to Craig Scott at 1616 Armistead Road, Waynesboro, VA 22980. His phone number is 540-836-5044. Or,
2. Scanned and emailed to [WaynesboroRepublicans@protonmail.com](mailto:WaynesboroRepublicans@protonmail.com).

### **MASS MEETING DETAILS**

Registration will begin at 9:00 AM ET, and the mass meeting will be called to order at 10:00 AM ET. Participants who are in line to register at 10:00 AM ET shall be permitted to continue registration, and, if determined qualified, participate in this mass meeting.

Photo ID is required for all participants at the mass meeting. It is recommended, though not required, that participants who did not submit a mass meeting “Participant Pre-File Form” bring their Voter ID Card with them to assist in speeding up the registration process.

### **FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR CANDIDATES SEEKING THE REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR ELECTION TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICES**

Qualified candidates seeking the Republican nomination for one of the Constitutional Offices on the ballot in the November 8, 2022 General Election must prefile a written statement of their intent on an application provided by the WRC. A copy of the application will be available to download on the WRC website, <https://www.waynesborovirginiarepublicans.com/> or will be provided upon request. The application must be delivered to the Waynesboro Republican Committee c/o Craig Scott, Vice Chair, no later than **5:00 PM ET on Friday, April 29, 2022**. Postmarks do not govern. Applications may be:

1. Mailed or delivered (by appointment) to Craig Scott at 1616 Armistead Road, Waynesboro, VA 22980. His phone number is 540-836-5044. Or,
2. Scanned and emailed to [WaynesboroRepublicans@protonmail.com](mailto:WaynesboroRepublicans@protonmail.com).

## **QUALIFICATIONS FOR CANDIDACY**

In order to be considered a “qualified candidate” to file as a candidate for nomination, the filing individual must him/herself personally satisfy the “Qualifications for Participation”, *supra*, and as set forth in Article I, Section A of the Republican Party of Virginia Plan of Organization as Amended, and satisfy residency requirements at the time of election as set forth in Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia. Additionally, candidates for Ward C City Councilmember must presently reside in Ward C; candidates for Ward D City Councilmember must presently reside in Ward D.

## **DETERMINATION OF QUALIFICATION**

The Unit Chair shall appoint a committee consisting of no fewer than 3 individuals to review any filings received to ensure that the individual seeking nomination meets the “Qualifications for Candidacy”, *supra*. The Unit Chair shall not participate as a member of this committee.

## **HOW CANDIDATES SHALL BE DECLARED NOMINATED**

If the number of qualified candidates for nomination to one of the Constitutional Offices as set forth in the preceding paragraph does not exceed one, then the lone qualified candidate for that particular Constitutional Office shall be declared the nominee of the Republican Party in the November 8, 2022 General Election for that office.

If 2 qualified candidates for nomination to a Constitutional Office as set forth, *supra*, the nomination shall be decided by majority vote of the mass meeting.

If 3 or more qualified candidates for nomination to a Constitutional Office as set forth, *supra*, the nomination shall be decided by ranked choice voting. Ballots will be counted in a manner prescribed by the rules of the Mass Meeting.

Majority vote is defined as 50% of the total votes cast plus 1 vote.

## **CANCELLATION OF MASS MEETING IN THE EVENT OF NO CONTESTED NOMINATIONS**

If the number of qualified candidates for nomination does not exceed one for each of the Constitutional Offices, the lone qualified candidate for each office shall be declared the nominee of the Republican Party for their respective office as set forth in the preceding paragraph and this mass meeting will be cancelled.

If the number of qualified candidates for nomination does not exceed zero for each of the Constitutional Offices, there will be no nominee of the Republican Party for the respective office as set forth in the preceding paragraph and this mass meeting will be cancelled.

### **CHAIR TO APPOINT TEMPORARY COMMITTEES**

The Unit Chair shall have authority to appoint temporary committees to plan and prepare for this mass meeting. Such temporary committees may, but do not necessarily include: rules committee, accommodations committee or credentials committee.

### **PUBLICATION**

This mass meeting call, along with prefile and candidate forms, will be published on the Waynesboro Republican Committee website at <https://waynesborovirginiarepublicans.com>, on the Virginia Sixth District Republican Committee website <https://www.sixthdistrictgop.org/> and on the Republican Party of Virginia website at <https://virginia.gop/>.

The publication requirement in a newspaper of general circulation has been waived by a vote of at least 2/3 of the members of the Waynesboro Republican Committee approving this call.