



NOTICE OF ELECTIONS: City of Forest Acres

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF RICHLAND

Candidate Filing Period:

A candidate filing period for the 2025 General Election in the City of Forest Acres for the election of two (2) Council Members will open at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, and close at 12 p.m. on Friday, March 14, 2025. Residents who are qualified electors desiring to be candidates must file a Statement of Candidacy and pay a \$50 for City Council filing fee during this period at the Forest Acres City Hall Administrative Offices at 5209 N Trenholm Road, Forest Acres, SC 29206.

Filing Hours: Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (12:00 p.m. on Friday)

Filing Form: The Statement of Intention of Candidacy (Nonpartisan) form required for filing is available in the "Candidate Information" section of scVOTES.gov and at the Forest Acres City Hall Administrative Offices.

State Ethics Filings: Candidates must file a Statement of Economic Interests and a Campaign Disclosure online with the State Ethics Commission at <http://ethics.sc.gov>. Failure to file these documents may result in a candidate fine but will not disqualify a candidate from the election. Contact the State Ethics Commission for more information.

Notice of Election:

The General Election for the **City of Forest Acres** will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025. Any person wishing to vote in this General Election who lives in the municipality must be registered in person by Friday, April 11, 2025 by 5:00 p.m. at the Richland County Voter Registration Office. Voter registration via online application must be received no later than Sunday, April 13, 2025, at 11:59 pm. Voter registration by mail forms will be accepted if postmarked no later than Monday, April 14, 2025.

The early voting period for this election begins on Monday, April 28, 2025 and ends on Friday, May 09, 2025. The following early voting center will be open during the early voting period from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Richland County Voter Registration and Elections Office
2020 Hampton St Columbia, SC 29204

Voters will be asked to provide one of the following Photo IDs when voting in person.

S.C. Driver's License

- Includes standard License and REAL ID
- S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles ID Card
 - Includes standard ID card and REAL ID
 - Includes SC Concealed Weapons Permit
- S.C Voter Registration Card with Photo

- Federal Military ID
 - Includes all Department of Defense Photo IDs and Veterans Affairs Benefits Card
- U.S. Passport
 - Includes US Passport ID Card

If you have one of these Photo IDs, you are ready to vote. Voters should remember to bring one of these IDs with them to the polling place. Voters without Photo ID can get one free of charge from the Department of Motor Vehicles or their county voter registration office. Voters who encounter an obstacle to getting a Photo ID should bring their paper voter registration card without a photo with them to their polling place. These voters can then sign an affidavit swearing to their identity and to their obstacle to obtaining a Photo ID and vote a provisional ballot. This ballot will count unless the county board of voter registration and elections has grounds to believe the affidavit is false. For more information on Photo ID, visit scVOTES.gov or contact your county board of voter registration and elections.

Absentee Voting: Registered electors who cannot vote in person on the day of the election and/or who will be out of the county for the duration of early voting may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. Completed applications must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m. on the eleventh day before the day of the election. Call, visit, or send your absentee ballot application request by U.S. mail. (803-576-2240 or Richland County Voter Registration Office, 2020 Hampton St, Columbia, S.C.)

At 9am on Monday, May 12 2025, the Richland County Board of Voter Registration and Elections will begin its examination of the absentee ballot return envelopes at

Voter Registration and Elections Office
 2020 Hampton St, Columbia, SC 29204
 Phone: 803-576-2240

At 11:30am on Thursday, May 15, 2025, the **Forest Acres Municipal Election Commission** will hold a hearing to determine the validity of all provisional ballots cast in this election and to certify the election results. This hearing will be held at the Forest Acres City Hall, 5205 North Trenholm Road, Forest Acres SC 29206. The results of the election shall be determined according to the plurality method.

The following precincts and polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on election day. Always check your polling place at scVOTES.gov before leaving to vote in any election.

	<u>Precincts</u>	<u>Polling Places</u>	
506	Trenholm Road/ Oakwood	N Trenholm Baptist Church	6515 N Trenholm Rd Columbia SC 29206
400	Arcadia	N Trenholm Baptist Church	6515 N Trenholm Rd Columbia SC 29206
498	Satchelford	N Trenholm Baptist Church	6515 N Trenholm Rd Columbia SC 29206
498	Cooper	N Trenholm Baptist Church	6515 N Trenholm Rd Columbia SC 29206

460	Midway	N Trenholm Baptist Church	6515 N Trenholm Rd Columbia SC 29206
429	North Forest Acres	Trenholm Park	3900 Covenant Rd Columbia SC 29204
106	Ward 6	Trenholm Park	3900 Covenant Rd Columbia SC 29204
447	Keenan	Trenholm Park	3900 Covenant Rd Columbia SC 29204
437	Gregg Park	Forest Acres City Hall (Temp)	5209 N Trenholm Rd Columbia, SC 29206
134	Ward 34	Forest Acres City Hall (Temp)	5209 N Trenholm Rd Columbia, SC 29206
430	South Forest Acres	Crayton Middle School	5000 Clemson Ave Columbia, SC 29206
428	East Forest Acres	Crayton Middle School	5000 Clemson Ave Columbia, SC 29206