

OFFICIAL RECORD  
CITY SECRETARY  
FT. WORTH, TX

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Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Section 141.031, Chapters 141 and 142, Texas Election Code  
2017

ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNLESS INDICATED OPTIONAL

APPLICATION FOR A PLACE ON THE City of Fort Worth GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

TO: City Secretary/Secretary of Board

I request that my name be placed on the above-named official ballot as a candidate for the office indicated below.

OFFICE SOUGHT (Include any place number or other distinguishing number, if any.)

City Council District 5

INDICATE TERM:

PERMANENT

UNEXPIRED



FULL NAME (First, Middle, Last)

Gyna Madelle Bivens

PRINT NAME AS YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT<sup>1</sup>

Gyna M. Bivens

PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS (Do not include a P.O. Box or Rural Route. If you do not have a residence address, describe the address at which you receive personal mail and location of residence.)



PUBLIC MAILING ADDRESS (Campaign mailing address, if available.)



CITY

Fort Worth

STATE

TX

ZIP

76119

CITY

Fort Worth

STATE

TX

ZIP

76124

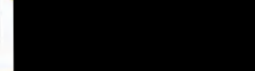
PUBLIC EMAIL ADDRESS (If available)

gmbivens@gmail.com

OCCUPATION (Do not leave blank)

President & EXEC

DATE OF BIRTH



VOTER REGISTRATION VOID NUMBER (Optional)<sup>2</sup>

TELEPHONE CONTACT INFORMATION (Optional)

Home:

Work: 8173928805

Cell:

LENGTH OF CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE AS OF DATE APPLICATION SWORN

IN STATE

66 year(s)  
3 month(s)

IN TERRITORY FROM WHICH THE OFFICE SOUGHT IS ELECTED<sup>3</sup>

59 year(s)  
\_\_\_ month(s)

If using a nickname as part of your name to appear on the ballot, you are also signing and swearing to the following statements: I further swear that my nickname does not constitute a slogan nor does it indicate a political, economic, social, or religious view or affiliation. I have been commonly known by this nickname for at least three years prior to this election.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared (name) Gyna M. Bivens, who being by me here and now duly sworn, upon oath says:

"I, (name) Gyna M. Bivens, of Tarrant County, Texas, being a candidate for the office of DIST 5 Council Member, swear that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Texas. I am a citizen of the United States eligible to hold such office under the constitution and laws of this state. I have not been finally convicted of a felony for which I have not been pardoned or had my full rights of citizenship restored by other official action. I have not been determined by a final judgment of a court exercising probate jurisdiction to be totally mentally incapacitated or partially mentally incapacitated without the right to vote. I am aware of the nepotism law, Chapter 573, Government Code.

I further swear that the foregoing statements included in my application are in all things true and correct."

X

Gyna Bivens  
SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE

Sworn to and subscribed before me at City Hall, this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of Jan, 2021

Melissa K Brunner  
Signature of Officer Administering Oath<sup>4</sup>

Asst to City Secretary  
Title of Officer Administering Oath

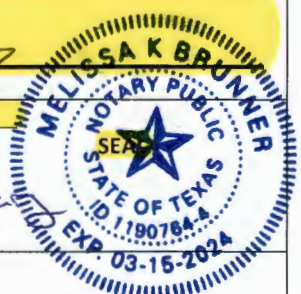
TO BE COMPLETED BY CITY SECRETARY OR SECRETARY OF BOARD:

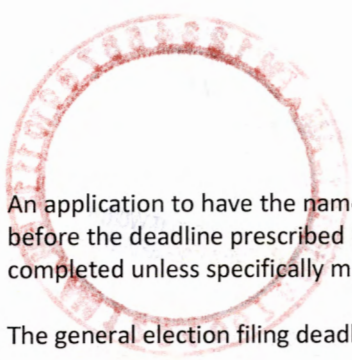
(See Section 1.007)

1/13/2021  
Date Received

Melissa  
Signature of Secretary

Voter Registration Status Verified





## INSTRUCTIONS

An application to have the name of a candidate placed on the ballot for any general election may not be filed earlier than 30 days before the deadline prescribed by this code for filing the application. An application filed before that day is void. All fields **must** be completed unless specifically marked optional.

The general election filing deadline is 5:00 p.m. 78 days prior to election day for any uniform election date.

If you have questions about the application, please contact the Secretary of State's Elections Division at 800-252-8683.

## NEPOTISM LAW

The candidate must sign this statement indicating his awareness of the nepotism law. The nepotism prohibitions of chapter 573, Government Code, are summarized below:

No officer may appoint, or vote for or confirm the appointment or employment of any person related within the second degree by affinity (marriage) or the third degree by consanguinity (blood) to himself, or to any other member of the governing body or court on which he serves when the compensation of that person is to be paid out of public funds or fees of office. However, nothing in the law prevents the appointment, voting for, or confirmation of anyone who has been continuously employed in the office or employment for the following period prior to the election or appointment of the officer or member related to the employee in the prohibited degree: six months, if the officer or member is elected at the general election for state and county officers.

No candidate may take action to influence an employee of the office to which the candidate is seeking election or an employee or officer of the governmental body to which the candidate is seeking election regarding the appointment or employment of a person related to the candidate in a prohibited degree as noted above. This prohibition does not apply to a candidate's actions with respect to a bona fide class or category of employees or prospective employees.

Examples of relatives within the third degree of consanguinity are as follows:

- (1) First degree: parent, child;
- (2) Second degree: brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild;
- (3) Third degree: great-grandparent, great-grandchild, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece.

These include relatives by blood, half-blood, and legal adoption. Examples of relatives within the second degree of affinity are as follows:

- (1) First degree: spouse, spouse's parent, son-in-law, daughter-in-law;
- (2) Second degree: brother's spouse, sister's spouse, spouse's brother, spouse's sister, spouse's grandparent.

Persons related by affinity (marriage) include spouses of relatives by consanguinity, and, if married, the spouse and the spouse's relatives by consanguinity. These examples are not all inclusive.

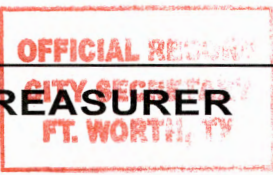
## FOOTNOTES

<sup>1</sup>For rules concerning the form of a candidate's name or nickname on the ballot, see Subchapter B, Chapter 52 of the Texas Election Code.

<sup>2</sup>Inclusion of a candidate's VUID is optional. However, many candidates are required to be registered voters in the territory from which the office is elected at the time of the filing deadline. Please visit the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's website for additional information. <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/hb484-faq.shtml>

<sup>3</sup>This refers to the length of residence inside the district or territory from which the office is elected. For example, length of residence in a school district, for a school trustee office elected at large. This field **MUST BE COMPLETED**.

<sup>4</sup>All oaths, affidavits, or affirmations made within this State may be administered and a certificate of the fact given by a judge, clerk, or commissioner of any court of record, a notary public, a justice of the peace, city secretary (for a city office), and the Secretary of State of Texas.



# APPOINTMENT OF A CAMPAIGN TREASURER BY A CANDIDATE

FORM CTA  
PG 1

See CTA Instruction Guide for detailed instructions.

1 Total pages filed:

2 CANDIDATE NAME

MS / MRS / MR

FIRST

MI

Ms

GINA

M

NICKNAME

LAST

SUFFIX

Bivens

OFFICE USE ONLY

Filer ID #

Date Received



Date Hand-delivered or Postmarked

Receipt #

Amounts

Date Processed

Date Imaged

3 CANDIDATE MAILING ADDRESS

ADDRESS / PO BOX;

APT / SUITE #;

CITY;

STATE;

ZIP CODE

P.O. Box 2185 FW TX 76124

4 CANDIDATE PHONE

AREA CODE

PHONE NUMBER

EXTENSION

(817)

5 OFFICE HELD (if any)

City Council member

6 OFFICE SOUGHT (if known)

City Council District 5

7 CAMPAIGN TREASURER NAME

MS/MRS/MR

FIRST

MI

NICKNAME

LAST

SUFFIX

Mr.

Ray W

Bivens

Jr

8 CAMPAIGN TREASURER STREET ADDRESS (residence or business)

STREET ADDRESS (NO PO BOX PLEASE);

APT / SUITE #;

CITY;

STATE;

ZIP CODE

1701 Carverly FW. TX 76112

9 CAMPAIGN TREASURER PHONE

AREA CODE

PHONE NUMBER

EXTENSION

(817)

986-1792

10 CANDIDATE SIGNATURE

I am aware of the Nepotism Law, Chapter 573 of the Texas Government Code.

I am aware of my responsibility to file timely reports as required by title 15 of the Election Code.

I am aware of the restrictions in title 15 of the Election Code on contributions from corporations and labor organizations.

Gina M. Bivens  
Signature of Candidate

January 13, 2021  
Date Signed

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**CANDIDATE MODIFIED  
REPORTING DECLARATION**

FORM CTA  
PG 2

11 CANDIDATE  
NAME

12 MODIFIED  
REPORTING  
DECLARATION

**COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF YOU ARE  
CHOOSING MODIFIED REPORTING**

**•• This declaration must be filed no later than the 30th day before  
the first election to which the declaration applies. ••**

**•• The modified reporting option is valid for one election cycle only. ••**  
(An election cycle includes a primary election, a general election, and any related runoffs.)

**•• Candidates for the office of state chair of a political party  
may NOT choose modified reporting. ••**

I do not intend to accept more than \$900 in political contributions or  
make more than \$900 in political expenditures (excluding filing fees)  
in connection with any future election within the election cycle.  
I understand that if either one of those limits is exceeded, I will be  
required to file pre-election reports and, if necessary, a runoff  
report.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Year of election(s) or election cycle to  
which declaration applies

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Candidate

**This appointment is effective on the date it is filed with the appropriate filing authority.**

TEC Filers may send this form to the TEC electronically at [treasappoint@ethics.state.tx.us](mailto:treasappoint@ethics.state.tx.us)  
or mail to

Texas Ethics Commission  
P.O. Box 12070  
Austin, TX 78711-2070

Non-TEC Filers must file this form with the local filing authority  
**DO NOT SEND TO TEC**

For more information about where to file go to:  
<https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/QuickFileAReport.php>