<u>CITY OF AUBURN</u> QUALIFYING AD – 2023 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

Pursuant to O.C.G.A §21-2-131(a)(1), the governing authority of the City of Auburn announces the following qualifying fees for the local offices to be filled in the 2023 Municipal General Election:

OFFICE	FEE
Mayor (To Succeed Linda M. Blechinger)	\$540.00
Council Member (To Succeed Peggy J. Langley)	\$144.00
Council Member (To Succeed Jamie L. Bradley)	\$144.00

Candidates must pay to the City a qualifying fee of \$540.00 to run for Mayor's seat and a qualifying fee of \$144.00 to run for a Council Member's seat. The Municipal General Election will be to elect one Mayor and two Council Members.

In accordance to O.C.G.A 21-2-132 (c) (3) and State Bill 199; the qualifying period will be the week of August 21, 2023. Qualifying will begin Monday, August 21, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. The qualifying period will be: Monday, August 21, 2023 – Thursday, August 24, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday, August 25, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Auburn City Hall located at 1369 Fourth Avenue in Auburn. The City must qualify for a minimum of three consecutive days but no more than five days and shall commence no earlier than 8:30am on that Monday but end no later than 4:30pm on the following Friday.

The Municipal General Election will be held at the Hmong New Hope Alliance Church, 1622 Union Grove Church Rd. Auburn, GA 30011 on November 7, 2023. If a Runoff is necessary, it will be held at the same location on Tuesday, December 5, 2023. The polling location will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The state law requires that the qualifying fees be published on or before February 1, 2023, so the fees will need to be published in the January 25, 2023 paper.