

## CHAPTER VI. ELECTIONS

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- 6-101. CONDUCT OF ELECTION. The election of city officials shall be conducted in all respects as provided by the laws of Kansas governing the holding of city elections. (K.S.A. 25-2101 *et seq.*; Code 1990)
- 6-102. HOURS OF VOTING. At all city elections the polls shall be open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m., unless different hours are set and publicly announced by the county election officer. (K.S.A. 25-2111, K.S.A. 26-206; Code 1990)
- 6-103. COMMENCEMENT OF TERMS OF OFFICE; OATH OF OFFICE. (a) The term of office for newly elected city officials shall commence with and include the first regular meeting of the governing body following certification of the election by the county election officer.
- (b) Every person elected or appointed to city office, before entering upon the duties of such office shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation as specified in K.S.A. 54-106, and amendments thereto, and every such oath or affirmation shall be filed with the city clerk. (K.S.A. 25-2120; Code 2016)
- 6-104. GOVERNING BODY. The governing body shall consist of a mayor and five council members to be elected to terms as set forth in this article. The mayor and council members shall be residents and qualified electors of the City of Bentley, Kansas. (C.O. No. 8; Code 2016)
- 6-105. SAME; POSITION TERMS. Those governing body positions with terms expiring in April 2017, shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2018, when the city officials elected in the November 2017 general election take office. Those governing body positions with terms expiring in April 2019, shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2020, when the city officials elected in the November 2019 general election take office. (C.O. No. 8; Code 2016)
- 6-106. SAME; ELECTIONS. (a) General elections shall take place on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November 2017. Succeeding elections will be held every two years for all such governing body positions whose terms have expired. A mayor and two council members shall be elected at one election, and the remaining three council members shall be elected at the succeeding election. The mayor and all council members shall have four year terms.
- (b) The mayor shall have a four year term with the current term scheduled to expire in April, 2017. Said current mayoral term will now expire the second Monday in January, 2018 when the mayor elected in November of 2017 general election takes office. At succeeding regular city elections there shall be elected council members, whose position terms have expired, for four-year terms. Likewise, at regular succeeding city elections there shall be elected a mayor whose position has expired on a four-year cycle.

(c) All elections for the City of Bentley, Kansas shall be nonpartisan.  
(C.O. No. 8; Code 2016)

6-107. SAME; REQUIREMENTS. In accordance with K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto, any person may become a candidate for city office elected at large by having had filed on their behalf, a nomination petition or a declaration of candidacy, accompanied by any fee required by law. The nomination petition must be signed by 5% of the qualified electors of the City of Bentley.  
(C.O. No. 8; Code 2016)