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## **Notice of Intent of City of Lewis to Fill City Council Vacancy by Special Election**

Cass County Auditor and Commissioner of Elections Kathy Somers hereby notifies residents of the City of Lewis that the city clerk has received a valid petition requesting a special election to fill the vacancy of the at-large council seat. The vacancy was created following Christopher Jahnke's election as mayor on April 29, 2025. The term for this seat will expire December 31, 2025. The seat will also be on the ballot during the regular City/School Election on November 4, 2025.

The special election will be held August 19, 2025 at the Lewis Community Center.

Prospective candidates must file an Affidavit of Candidacy and Nomination Petition with a minimum of 10 signatures from eligible Lewis voters with the Cass County Auditor's office no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, July 25, 2025. Nomination papers are available in the auditor's office in the Cass County Courthouse.

Any candidate who wishes to withdraw from the election after filing may do so by submitting a written notice of withdrawal to the auditor's office by Monday, July 28, 2025.

For more information contact the auditor's office at 712-243-4570 or go to the Cass County elections website at [casscountytia.gov/county-government/elections/special-elections/](https://casscountytia.gov/county-government/elections/special-elections/).