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Dear Mr. Siau:

Karen Henderson of this Office has referred your inquiry concerning municipal elections to me for reply. She has informed me that you have requested information concerning the procedure that should be followed for the Georgetown Democratic Party to nominate persons for municipal offices by convention, petition and primary.

The procedure a party follows for nominating municipal officers by primary or convention is the same as the party uses to nominate any candidate. South Carolina Code of Laws (1976), as amended, Section 5-15-60(3). The procedure does not vary by virtue of it being a municipal office. If you have a specific question concerning the procedure for a primary or convention, I will be glad to assist you or you may prefer to contact the Democratic Party. A party can nominate a candidate only by primary or convention method. A petition candidate is a candidate who is running independently of a political party.

Very truly yours,

Treva G. Ashworth
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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