

LEO CORONA FOR MAYOR

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Gatesville, Texas



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Leo Corona Announces Candidacy for Mayor of Gatesville

I am pleased to announce my candidacy for Mayor of the City of Gatesville in the upcoming municipal election, scheduled for October 19 through November 3, 2026.

Eleven years ago, after completing a distinguished 20-year military career, my family and I were warmly welcomed to Gatesville. What began as a place to live quickly became our home. Since then, I have remained deeply involved in the community as a resident, neighbor, and active volunteer.

In 2025, I was honored to be named Gatesville Citizen of the Year by the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce. I view this recognition not as a personal achievement, but as a reflection of the shared spirit of service that defines our community.

My decision to run for Mayor is rooted in a sincere desire to serve Gatesville with integrity, attention to detail, and respect for our city's council-manager form of government. I believe effective leadership begins with listening, open communication, and collaboration among residents, the City Council, and the City Manager.

Through countless conversations across Gatesville, one message has come through clearly: our community wants to balance growth while preserving the character that makes this city special. At the same time, our ageing infrastructure presents challenges that require thoughtful, forward-looking planning rather than delayed action that can result in higher costs and missed opportunities.

As Mayor, my focus will be on transparency, public engagement, and steady leadership. I see the Mayor's role as setting a professional and respectful tone for city governance, presiding fairly over council meetings, and helping guide policy discussions that reflect the priorities of our community.

This campaign is not about politics—it is about people, purpose, and progress. With shared commitment and responsible leadership, I believe Gatesville can continue moving forward in a positive and meaningful way.

More information about my background and vision for Gatesville is available at leocorona.org.