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There's one less candidate running for the two, four-year terms for Minnesota City Council. Originally five people signed up, but this week Jordy Groeneweg told The Mascot she's decided her current workload has become too heavy to allow her to do a good job. "I wish to decline the position on the city council and I'll gladly support the rest of the group. I'm happy to see so many people signed up for all the positions," Groeneweg said.

A home health nurse through Prairie River Home Care of Marshall, Groeneweg said she carries a work load of 20 clients and added, "Our business is growing."

When she decided to sign up there were no other candidates and she felt the city needed people to serve.

By the time the filings closed there were four names on the ballot for two positions for four years each.

The others are Emily Coequyt, Tim Koppien, Mary Johnson and Jerry Teigland.

As a result of Groeneweg pulling out of the race, two of the four current candidates will be elected.

"I feel the citizens of Minneota deserve someone who is willing and able to make it work," she added.

Despite declining the position, Groeneweg's name will still appear on the ballot because it's too late to make a change.

"Initially my heart was there but it's this place and time that doesn't work," she added. She didn't rule out service to the community in the future.