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2009 CITY ELECTION DATES

As a number of cities that hold an election in November conduct a September primary, two dates are listed for each activity related to city primaries.

By 4:00 p.m., May 12 or Jun. 23	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates file nominating petitions and Affidavits of Identity. (168.322; 168.644f)
By 4:00 p.m., May 15 or Jun. 26	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates who wish to drop from primary file written requests to do so. (168.322a)
By May 12 or Jun. 23	Petitions to place questions on primary ballot filed with city clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a as amended under PA 647 of 2006)
By May 18 or Jun. 29	City clerk forwards names and addresses of partisan and nonpartisan candidates to county clerk. (168.321)
By May 26 or Jul. 7	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on primary election ballot certified to city clerk. (168.646a as amended under PA 647 of 2006)
Jun. 25 through Jul. 14 or Aug. 6 through Aug. 25	Precinct inspectors appointed for primary. (168.674)
By Jun. 29 or Aug. 10	Notice of close of registration for primary published. (168.498)
Jul. 7 or Aug. 17	Last day to register for primary. (168.497)
By Jul. 15 or Aug. 26	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
Jul. 24 or Sep. 4	Pre-Primary Campaign Statements filed (closes Jul. 19 or Aug. 30).

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By 4:00 p.m., Jul. 24 or Sep. 4	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms. (168.737a as amended under PA 87 of 2006)
By Jul. 28 or Sep. 8	Notice of primary published. (168.653a)
By Jul. 30 or Sep. 10	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
By 2:00 p.m., Aug. 1 or Sep. 12	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
Up to 4:00 p.m., Aug. 3 or Sep. 14	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
By Aug. 4 or Sep. 15	Minor parties that wish to participate in partisan city general elections nominate candidates. (Party must have state recognized ballot status.) (168.646a)
Up to 4:00 p.m., Aug. 4 or Sep. 15	Emergency absentee voting for primary. (168.759b)
Aug. 4 or Sep. 15	**CITY PRIMARY**
Before 11:00 a.m., Aug. 5 or Sep. 16	City clerk delivers result of primary to county clerk (if city does not maintain a canvassing board). (168.809)
By 5:00 p.m., Aug. 5	Candidates without political party affiliation who seek a partisan city office file qualifying petitions and Affidavits of Identity. (168.590c)
By 4:00 p.m., Aug. 10	Candidates without political party affiliation who wish to drop from election file written requests to do so. (168.590c)
By Aug. 11	Petitions to place questions on general election ballot filed with city clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a as amended under PA 647 of 2006)
By Aug. 13	City clerk forwards names and addresses of candidates without political party affiliation who seek a partisan city office to county clerk. (168.321)

By Aug. 25	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on general election ballot certified to city clerk. (168.646a as amended under PA 647 of 2006)
Sep. 3 or Oct. 15	Post-Primary Campaign Statements filed (closes Aug. 24 or Oct. 5).
Sep. 24 through Oct. 13	Precinct inspectors appointed for general election. (168.674)
By Sep. 28	Notice of close of registration for general election published. (168.498)
Oct. 5	Last day to register for general election. (168.497)
By Oct. 14	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
Oct. 23	Pre-Election Campaign Statements filed (closes Oct. 18).
By 4:00 p.m., Oct. 23	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms. (168.737a as amended under PA 87 of 2006)
By Oct. 27	Notice of election published. (168.653a)
By Oct. 29	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.737a)
By 2:00 p.m., Oct. 31	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
Up to 4:00 p.m., Nov. 2	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., Nov. 3	Emergency absentee voting for election. (168.759b)
Nov. 3	**CITY GENERAL ELECTION**
Before 11:00 a.m., Nov. 4	City clerk delivers result of general election to county clerk (if city does not maintain a canvassing board). (168.809)
Dec. 3	Post-General Campaign Statements filed (closes Nov. 23).