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Dear Candidate,

Congratulations on your decision to run for office! This Nomination Procedures contains the process and forms you are required to submit as a Candidate. It also contains other information, such as Election Sign By-laws, time commitment for Elected Officials, and key dates.

It is your responsibility to identify, understand and follow the obligations of a candidate as they are set out in the relevant legislation and in the other procedures that are established for this Election.

When you're ready to file your nomination form, please contact the Town Clerk/Returning Officer or designate to book your appointment:

by email elections@aurora.ca

by phone 905-726-4771 or 905-726-4768

Through the webpage <https://www.aurora.ca/your-government/elections-2026/candidates/>

in person Town of Aurora
100 John West Way
Aurora, L4G 6J1

Nominations will be received in person at Town of Aurora Administration Office located the address below. Electronic filing is not permitted.

The Town Clerk/Returning Officer or their designate will meet with you during your appointment and provide you with additional information. If you have questions about the nomination process or during the course of your campaign, please submit them by email elections@aurora.ca

Whether you are a new candidate or have run in a municipal election previously, please visit the Town of Aurora's official election website www.aurora.ca/your-government/elections-2026/ for continuous information about the upcoming Municipal Election.

Sincerely,

Anne Kantharajah
Town Clerk/Returning Officer



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Introduction

This guide provides information that is pertinent to candidates running for municipal and school board offices in the Town of Aurora.

Additional inquiries can be made by contacting the Town Clerk/Returning Officer during regular office hours, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Statutory notices will be published in a local media outlet. Information is also available on the Town's web page at www.aurora.ca/your-government/elections-2026/

Offices to be Elected:

Mayor One (1) to be elected at-large within the Town and will also serve as a Member of York Regional Council.

Councillor(s) Six (6) to be elected by Ward as follows:

One Ward 1 Councillor to be elected by electors in Ward 1

One Ward 2 Councillor to be elected by electors in Ward 2

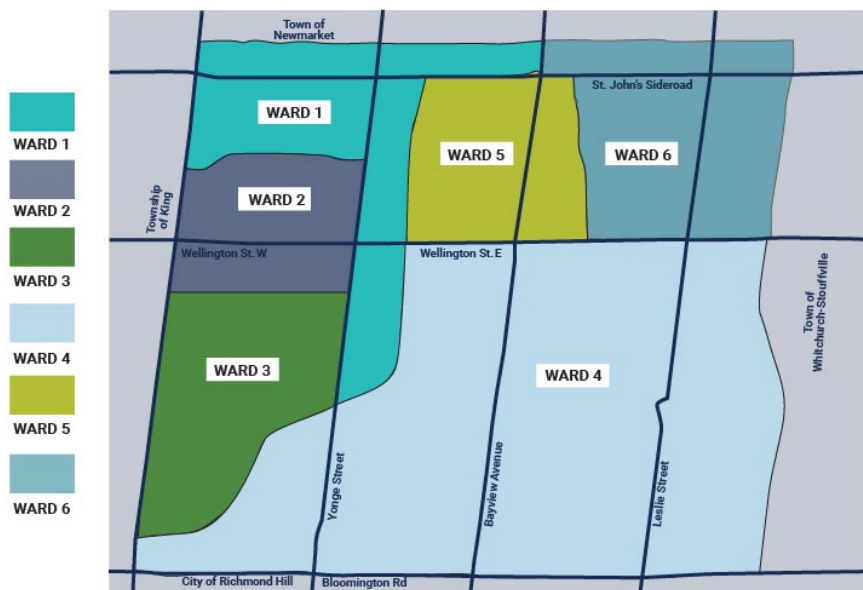
One Ward 3 Councillor to be elected by electors in Ward 3

One Ward 4 Councillor to be elected by electors in Ward 4

One Ward 5 Councillor to be elected by electors in Ward 5

One Ward 6 Councillor to be elected by electors in Ward 6

Town of Aurora Ward Map





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School Board Trustees

*One English Public School Board Trustee to be elected by voters in Aurora and Whitchurch-Stouffville (York Region District School Board Trustee). Nominations shall be filed in the Town of Aurora Municipal Clerk's Office.

One English Catholic School Board Trustee to be elected by voters in Aurora, King and Whitchurch-Stouffville (York Catholic District School Board Trustee). Nominations shall be filed in the Town of Aurora Municipal Clerk's Office.

One French Public School Board Trustee to be elected by voters in York Region (Conseil scolaire Viamonde Trustee). Nominations will be received at the City of Vaughan.

One French Catholic School Board Trustee to be elected by voters in York Region (Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir). Nominations will be received at the City of Vaughan.

Who Can Be a Municipal Council Candidate:

Candidates must be:

- a resident of the Town of Aurora, or an owner or tenant of property in the Town, or the spouse of such an owner or tenant;
- a Canadian citizen;
- at least 18 years old; and
- must not legally be prohibited from voting or not disqualified by any legislation from holding office.

Who Can Be a School Board Trustee Candidate

A person is eligible to be a candidate for School Board Trustee if they are,

- a Canadian citizen;
- at least 18 years old;
- a resident within the board's area of jurisdiction;
- a supporter of that school board; and
- not legally prohibited from voting.



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Who Cannot be a Municipal Council Candidate:

The following people are disqualified from being elected as a Member of Council, or from holding office as a Member of Council:

- a judge of any court;
- a member of the Provincial Legislature, the Federal House of Commons or Senate who has not resigned from their office by the close of nominations (proof of resignation must be provided by the close of the nominations or the Clerk will not certify the nomination);
- a candidate who failed to file the necessary financial statement or exceeded the prescribed spending limit in the last municipal election or by-election;
- a municipal employee who has not taken an unpaid leave of absence cannot run for mayor or council (if you are elected you must resign from your job); or

Who Cannot be a School Board Candidate:

The following people are disqualified from being elected as a School Board Trustee or from holding office on any school board:

- an employee of the school board unless they take an unpaid leave of absence beginning the day they are nominated and resign if elected to the office;
- a clerk, treasurer, deputy-clerk or deputy-treasurer of any municipality within the area of jurisdiction of the school board except those on an unpaid leave of absence;
- a member of the Provincial Legislature, the Federal House of Commons or Senate who has not resigned from their office by the close of nominations. Proof of resignation must be provided by the close of nominations; or
- a candidate who failed to file the necessary financial statement(s) in the last municipal election or by-election.

Filing a Nomination

Nomination can be filed in person or by an agent by appointment with the Town Clerk/Returning Officer between May 1, 2026 and August 20, 2026, during regular working hours between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and on Nomination Day, Friday, August 21, 2026, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Electronic filing of nominations is not permitted.

Although walk-ins are permitted, scheduling an appointment is highly recommended due to the complexity of the filing process and staff availability. Prospective candidates are requested to book an appointment to be sure there is adequate time to file a nomination, especially on Nomination Day.



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To file a nomination, you must submit

- Nomination Paper - Form 1
- Endorsement of Nomination - Form 2 (for candidates running for municipal office only)
- Show proof of identity and qualifying address within the Town of Aurora. Review [O. Reg 304/13 Voter Identification](#) to confirm you have acceptable proof of eligibility.
- Nomination Fee: \$200 for candidates running for Mayor and \$100 for all other positions. (Nomination fees are refunded to candidates once the required financial statement is filed.)

When you file your nomination, you will be also asked to complete the following:

- Declaration of Qualifications for Municipal Candidates OR the Declaration of Qualifications of Qualifications for School Board Candidates
- Consent to Release of Personal Information
- Request for Voters' List and Declaration of Proper Use of the Voters' List

Nomination Paper – Form 1

A Nomination Paper must be filed in person by either the candidate or an agent of the candidate.

The candidate's declaration of qualification must be taken before a Commissioner of Oaths. The Town Clerk/Returning Officer can administer this oath. If an agent is filing the nomination paper on your behalf, the candidate must complete the Authorization for Agent to File Nomination form and the Declaration of Qualification must be commissioned by any commissioner of oaths, prior to the agent filing the paper. The agent must provide identification but they do not need to be eligible to run for office.

Candidates are required to show proof of identity and qualifying address within the Town of Aurora at the time of filing. Review [O. Reg 304/13 Voter Identification](#) to acceptable forms of proof of identity and residence.

Your nomination form will be made available for public viewing upon request.

Nomination Endorsements – Form 2

Anyone running for Town Council must submit original signatures of twenty-five (25) eligible electors endorsing the nomination. Each individual providing endorsement must fill in their name and address, including the postal code and sign a declaration stating that they are eligible to vote in the municipality on the day that they signed the endorsement.



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The requirement to submit twenty-five (25) nomination signatures does not apply to candidates running for school board trustee.

Withdrawal of Nomination

A candidate no longer wishing to run in the municipal election must file a Withdrawal of Nomination Form in person with the Town Clerk/Returning Officer before 2:00 p.m. on Nomination Day, being August 21, 2026. Candidates cannot withdraw after the Nomination Period.

Running for a different office

If a person is nominated for more than one office, the first nomination is void at the time the second nomination is filed.

If a candidate files a nomination and then changes their mind and decides to run for a different office on the same Council, the Candidate must complete a Withdrawal of Nomination and file a new Nomination Paper - Form 1. The candidate does not complete a new Nomination Endorsement - Form 2.

Refund of Filing Fees

A candidate is entitled to receive a refund of the nomination filing fee if they file the financial statement and auditor report required by 88.25(1) of the MEA prior to 2:00 p.m. on March 31, 2027.

Candidates who have withdrawn their nomination are still required to file a financial statement.

Examination and Certification of Nominations

Under the *Municipal Elections Act*, the Town Clerk/Returning Officer is required to reject or certify the nominations of candidates on or before 4 p.m. on August 24, 2026.

If not satisfied that a person is qualified to be nominated or that the nomination complies with the Act, the Town Clerk will reject the nomination (i.e. will not sign the Certification section of the Nomination Paper-Form 1) and will give notice of that fact to the person who sought to be nominated.

The Clerk's decision to certify or reject a nomination is final. All candidates certified by the Clerk will have their names appear on the ballot.



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Acclamations

If, at 4:00 pm on the Monday following Nomination Day, being August 24, 2026, the number of certified Candidates for an office is the same as the number to be elected, the Town Clerk/Returning Officer will declare the Candidate(s) elected by acclamation.

If additional nominations are required, for example, where no candidates have filed for that office, the Town Clerk/Returning Officer will call for additional nominations. Additional nominations for the remaining vacant seats must be filed between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. The Town Clerk/Returning Officer will certify or reject each nomination by 4 p.m. on Thursday, August 27, 2026.

Candidates Supplies

At the time of filing your nomination, you will be provided with:

- A copy of the forms submitted and filing fee receipt;
- A copy of the procedures established by the Town Clerk/Returning Officer
- Preliminary Certificate of Maximum Campaign Expenses, Preliminary Certificate of Maximum Contribution to a Candidate's Own Campaign and Preliminary Certificate of Maximum Amount for Parties, etc., after Voting Day.
- A copy of the Candidate's Guide and Voters' Guide
- Notice of Penalties
- Relevant Town policies and by-laws
- One street index
- One map of the geographic area of Aurora completed through the Town GIS Department
- One list of voting locations and times

When available, candidates will be provided with one copy of the Voters' List applicable to the office the candidate is seeking.

Additional information for candidates will be posted on the Towns election website – www.aurora.ca/your-government/elections-2026/

Election Signs

Election signs in the Town of Aurora are regulated York Region Sign By-law No. 2015-36 and Town of Aurora Sign By-law No. 5840-16 and are subject to change without notice.

Currently, the following regulations apply to all election signs:



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- Election signs shall not be erected prior to 10:00 a.m. on the 28th day before Voting Day;
- Candidates must remove all of their Election signs within seventy-two (72) hours following the closing of polls on Voting Day;
- a maximum of one (1) election signs per candidate is allowed on any one private lot or premises.

It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure that campaign workers are not contravening the above by-laws. Any election sign found to be in violation of Sign By-laws is subject to seizure by the Town and any such seized signs shall be stored up to thirty (30) days after the Voting Day. A candidate, or any person acting on the behalf of a candidate, may retrieve a sign stored by the Town but the Town may destroy or otherwise dispose of any election sign that has not been retrieved within the aforementioned thirty (30) day period without notice or compensation to any person.

How Electors Can View the Voters' List

All eligible electors are encouraged to check www.registertovoteon.ca to ensure they are on the Voters' List and their voter information is correct. www.registertovoteon.ca will be available to make changes until August 12, 2026.

From August 12, 2026 to Oct. 26, 2026, electors can make an application to add, correct or delete information contained on the Voters' List in the manner and at the locations prescribed by the Town Clerk/Returning Officer.

Campaign Materials at Voting Locations

No campaign material or literature of any nature relating to any candidate shall be displayed on Town property in accordance with the [Use of Corporate Resources for Election Campaign Purposes Policy](#). This material includes campaign signs, buttons, brochures or any other advertising material.

There shall be no campaigning at any Town-operated events, e.g., Concerts in the Park, Ribfest, Canada Day celebrations, etc. and candidates and third parties may not rent any Town facilities for campaigning purposes.

The Town's logo, crest, coat of arms, slogan, brand, other marks, chain of office, etc. shall not be used in any campaigning or included on any campaigning related website, social media, or electronic publication.



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Town of Aurora Voting Period

Electors in the Town of Aurora will have two options:

Internet Voting - Eligible voters may vote online, using their personal smart phone, tablet device, gaming device or computer and any accompanying assistive devices or software, along with their qualifying information, to access the internet address provided on their Voter Notification Letters.

Internet voting will be available from October 16 at 10 a.m. to October 25 at 12 p.m. Please note that internet voting will not be available on Voting Day.

Paper ballots - The Town of Aurora will be offering the traditional method of voting using a paper ballot that's counted by tabulators. Paper ballot voting will be available on the following dates, times, and locations:

Saturday, October 17, 2026 – 12 p.m. – 6 p.m. – Aurora Senior's Centre

Sunday, October 18, 2026 12 p.m. – 6 p.m. – Aurora Senior's Centre

Monday, October 19, 2026 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Aurora Senior's Centre

Tuesday, October 20, 2026 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Aurora Senior's Centre

Wednesday, October 21, 2026 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Aurora Senior's Centre

Monday, October 26, 2026 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. – various polling stations throughout the Town to be established by the Clerk.

Voting Locations at Institutions, Retirement Homes, and Multi-Residential Buildings

Section 45 (7) of the Municipal Elections Act requires that on Voting Day, a voting place shall be provided on the premises of the following:

1. An institution for the reception, treatment or vocational training of members or former members of the Canadian Forces.
2. An institution in which, on September 1, 20 or more beds are occupied by persons who are disabled, chronically ill or infirm.
3. A retirement home in which, on September 1, 50 or more beds are occupied.

The hours of voting at the above locations shall be held at the discretion of the Clerk in consultation with building administrators. Notices of the date and time for voting will be posted in the residence, and sufficient notice will be provided so that voting information can be added to calendars that may be maintained by the home for residents.



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In addition to the legislated requirements, additional multi-residential buildings or complexes will be identified as during the advance vote period to provide additional opportunities to vote.

Understanding the Position

The council and school board term of office will run from November 15, 2026 to November 14, 2030.

As a member of Council, you will have the opportunity to significantly influence the future of your community. All decisions must be made at meetings, held in public, at which a quorum is present.

As an individual Member of Council, you will not have the power to commit your municipality to any expenditure or to direct the activities of municipal employees, with some exceptions under the new Strong Mayor Power Framework. Any promise you make as part of your election campaign that involves municipal expenditures or the activities of employees can only be carried out if a majority of Council votes in favor of the matter at a meeting.

The role of Council is to work together to set the overall direction of the municipality through their position as a policy maker. The policies that Council sets are the guidelines for Administration to follow as they perform the day-to-day operations of the Town of Aurora.

Legislated Responsibilities of Council and the Mayor

Section 224 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, describes the role of Council is to:

- represent the public and consider the well-being and interests of the municipality,
- develop and evaluate the policies and programs of the municipality,
- determine which services the municipality provides,
- ensure that administrative policies, practices and procedures and controllership policies, practices and procedures are in place to implement the decisions of council,
- ensure the accountability and transparency of the operations of the municipality, including the activities of senior management,
- maintain the financial integrity of the municipality, and • carry out any other duties of council under any Act.



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Section 225 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* describes the role of the Mayor is to:

- act as chief executive officer of the municipality,
- preside over council meetings so that its business can be carried out efficiently and effectively,
- provide leadership to the council,
- provide information and recommendations to the council with respect to the role of council,
- represent the municipality at official functions, and
- carry out any other duties of the head of council under any Act.

Strong Mayor Powers

In addition to the responsibilities of the Mayor listed above, 'Strong Mayor Powers' in Ontario grant heads of council significant authority, including the ability to set budgets, veto bylaws, and pass legislation with minimal council support, aimed at expediting local governance and housing development. [Part VI.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001](#) details these special powers and duties.

Time Commitment

Council and Committee Meetings

As an elected Member of Council, in addition to your membership on Town of Aurora Council, you will also sit on the Committee of the Whole and the Planning Public Council. The Mayor serves as a Member on York Region Council. All Council, Committee of the Whole, and Planning Public Council follow the [Procedural By-law](#). The Procedural By-law governs the calling, place and proceedings of meetings.

At this time, Council meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month and commences at 7 p.m. Committee of the Whole is held on the second Tuesday of every month starting at 7 p.m. Public Planning Meeting is held on the third Tuesday of every month. If there is a closed session required, it would begin at 5:45 p.m. prior to Council or Committee of the Whole.

Agendas and supporting material for all Council and Committee meetings are posted on the [Town's website](#).

According to the Procedural By-law, meetings adjourn at 10:30 p.m., however, the length of meetings tends to fluctuate due to agenda volume, the number of deputations and/or the complexity of the issues and the length of debate.



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Council Committees and Boards

In addition, Councillors have the option to serve on various statutory and advisory committees. Appointments to committees and boards are made by Council generally every two years, or as needed to fill vacancies due to resignation or when a new committee or board is established. Some committees have public representatives. A full list of Committees and Boards can be found on the [County's Boards and Committee webpage](#).

A list of Committees and Boards can be found on [Boards and Committees | Town of Aurora](#). Council and Committee meetings are a great way to participate in the decision-making process. All Council, Planning, Committee of the Whole and Advisory Committee Meetings are open to the public and your attendance is welcomed and encouraged. There are external Committees and Boards on which Councillors may wish to serve.

Livestreaming

Regular and Special Meetings of Council, Committee of the Whole, Public Planning and Statutory and Advisory Committee meetings are livestreamed. Closed meetings are not live-streamed.

Constituency Work

Individual contact information for Members of Council will be listed on the Town's website and provided to the public by staff as requested. Members of the public routinely contact their Councillor with issues of concern, interest or inquiries into Town business or activities.

Except for the Mayor, the role of Councillor is considered a part-time position, the meeting commitment along with the constituency work results in a significant investment of time and energy to fulfill the role.

Orientation for New and Returning Members of Council

The inaugural meeting of the 2026-2030 Term of Council will be scheduled closer to the commencement of the Term.

Formal orientation sessions for new and returning members of Council will be scheduled and you will be contacted as soon as the dates and times have been confirmed. Information and materials will be provided at that time to assist you in carrying out your responsibilities in your new role. In addition to orientation provided by the Town, the [Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing](#) and the [Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario \(AMCTO\)](#) conducts seminars, and provides information and material for new members of Council.



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Council Code of Conduct

Everyone at the Town of Aurora has a responsibility to share a common integrity base and, through adherence to the principles of the Town’s [Code of Conduct](#), serve to enhance public trust.

Remuneration

The current Annual Council Salary is:

Town of Aurora
Council and Mayor Salary Schedule - April 1, 2026

| Grade | Job Code | Position | Step 1 (Start) | Step 1 Biweekly | Step 1 Hourly |
|-------|----------|------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Other | E-C | Councillor | \$42,165.2134 | \$1,621.7390 | \$23.1677 |
| Other | E-M | Mayor | \$114,647.2159 | \$4,409.5083 | \$62.9930 |

The Mayor and Council are also provided other benefits and packages that can be found in the [Council Remuneration By-law](#) and on the [Compensation and Expenses of Council | Town of Aurora](#) webpage.

Town of Aurora Council Strategic Plan

When Municipal Council is elected every four years they set the Strategic Plan for the term. The Strategic Plan consists of objectives, strategic actions and desired outcomes that will help guide the Municipality and set out its vision for the next term.

The purpose of this plan is to provide strategic priorities and a road map for Council and Town staff as we determine how to best provide services and help our town thrive.

Here is a link to the current Strategic Plan: [Strategic Plan | Town of Aurora](#)

Resources

Visit the Town’s Election webpage www.aurora.ca/your-government/elections-2026/ to find up to date election information and important links including free candidate webinars, Ministry of Municipal Affairs Candidates’ Guide and Voters’ Guide, Election Procedures, Accessibility Plan, Use of Corporate Resources Policy, and Voter Information.



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Election Questions

Election Questions - Candidates questions pertaining to all matters related to the election process, including the voting method, shall be directed to the

by email elections@aurora.ca
by phone 905-726-4771 or 905-726-4768
in person Town of Aurora
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Please Note:

This guide has been prepared for the purpose of supplying information, which will be of assistance to persons intending to stand for elected office.

Candidates for School Board offices are encouraged to contact the office of the Director of Education of the appropriate School Board to obtain information on the duties and responsibilities of a trustee. Candidates for the position of representative on the French language section of a School Board should contact the Clerk of the municipality responsible for the election of persons to that office.

It is most important to note that the contents of this document are intended only as a guide to certain provisions of relevant legislation and do not purport to recite all applicable statutory references.

Prospective candidates must satisfy themselves through their own determination that they have complied with the election financing regulations and that they are in fact qualified, and not disqualified by law, to seek elected office. Candidates must make themselves aware of the penalty sections of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 ("Act") respecting campaign finances. This document is subject to revisions. Please check the revision history to confirm you are working from the most recent version of this document.



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Key Dates

| Date(s) | Event & Description |
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| May 1, 2026 | <p>Nomination Period Commences Candidates can file nomination papers, pay the nomination fee and submit the 25 signatures of voters endorsing their nomination with the Town Clerk/Returning Officer during regular business hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by appointment.</p> <p>Campaign Period The campaign period begins on Friday, May 1, 2026 or whenever a candidate files a nomination paper, whichever is later. The campaign period officially ends on December 31, 2026, unless the candidate withdraws their nomination in writing with the Clerk, or files for another office, the Clerk rejects the nomination, or the candidate continues his or her campaign to erase a deficit.</p> |
| August 21, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. | <p>Nomination Day and Withdrawal of Nomination Papers Last day for a candidate to file nomination papers or withdraw their nomination. Nominations or withdrawal cannot be accepted after 2 p.m.</p> |
| August 24, 2026 | <p>Nomination Candidate Certification The Clerk will examine and certify all nominations by 4 p.m. and declare the candidate(s) elected by acclamation.</p> |



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| August 26, 2026 | Additional Candidate Nominations If the number of nominations filed for an office and certified is less than the number of persons to be elected to the office, additional nominations may be filed with the Clerks Department until 2 p.m. A candidate who wishes to withdraw their additional nomination must notify the Clerk in writing before 2 p.m. |
| August 27, 2026 | The Clerk will examine and certify any additional nominations by 4 p.m. and declare the candidate(s) elected by acclamation. |
| September 1, 2026 | Voters' list becomes available to certified candidates. |
| September 1 to October 26, 2026 | Individuals may make an application to make revisions to the Voters' List. |
| September 30, 2026 | Clerk will provide the certificate of maximum campaign spending limits to all certified candidates and third-party advertisers. |
| October 16, 2026, to October 26, 2026 | Voting Period Internet Voting begins at 10:00 a.m. on October 16. Voting can be done online 24/7 until the polls close at 12 p.m. on October 25, 2026. During this period, Voting Locations will be established to support electors with adding or changing their elector information. Paper Ballots will also be available at these Voting Locations. |



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| October 26, 2026 | <p>Voting Day. Voting Locations will be open at 10 a.m. and close promptly at 8 p.m.</p> <p>Once polls close, the Clerk will produce the unofficial results of the Municipal Election on the Town's website.</p> |
| October 27, 2026 | <p>The Clerk will declare and certify the official election results and post the results on the Town's website.</p> |
| November 15, 2026 | <p>2026-2030 Municipal Council Term commences</p> |
| November 17, 2026 | <p>Inaugural Council Meeting, being the first meeting of the newly elected Council.</p> |
| December 31, 2026 | <p>Election campaign period ends. Last day for candidates and registered third party advertisers to provide written notice, in the prescribed form, of a deficit and the continuation of their campaign period.</p> |
| March 25, 2027 | <p>Last day for candidates and registered third party advertisers to apply to the Superior Court of Justice to extend the time to file their initial financial statement and auditor's reports.</p> |
| March 30, 2027 | <p>Deadline for candidates and registered third parties to file their initial financial statements and auditor's reports for reporting period ending December 31, 2026. Last day for candidates and registered third parties to notify the Clerk, in writing, that an application has been made to the Superior Court of Justice to extend the time for filing their</p> |



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| | initial financial statement and auditor's report. |
| June 28, 2027 | Last day for an elector to apply for a compliance audit of a candidate or registered third party's initial financial statement. |
| June 30, 2027 | Last day of the extended campaign period for candidates and registered third parties that extended their campaign due to a deficit. Should this apply, additional dates related to supplementary filing requirements will apply. |
| August 25, 2027 | Last day for the Clerk to provide notice of supplementary filing requirements and penalties to candidates or registered third party advertisers. |

