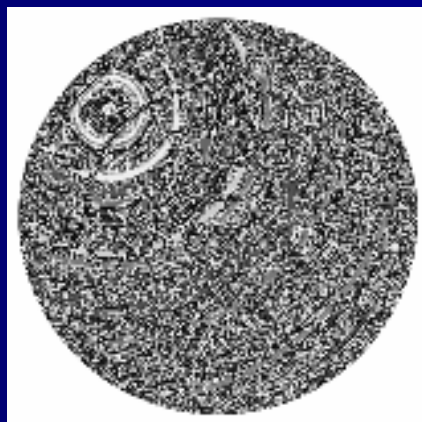


City of Albuquerque October 4, 2011 Municipal Election



Abbreviated Unofficial Election Calendar

Election Day: October 4, 2011

- Day is the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in October of odd-numbered years
- Municipal Elections in Albuquerque are regulated by New Mexico law, the Albuquerque City Charter and the Revised Ordinances of Albuquerque
- Even-numbered districts will elect their city councilors on Election Day, plus any bond or City Charter Amendments that are presented
- Working backwards, the deadlines required by the controlling laws begin in March 2011

Open and Ethical Elections Code

City Charter Article XVI

- Charter Article controls public financing
- Requires potential city council candidates focus upon the area of the city that encompasses the district in which the potential candidate wishes to represent
- Exploratory Period allows potential candidates to receive seed money and in-kind contributions from individuals within and outside of the candidate's council district
- Exploratory period begins
Tuesday, March 15, 2011

Qualifying Period: OEEC

- Begins Sunday, May 1, 2011
- Applicant Candidates can only accept contributions from registered voters from within the district they wish to represent
- If redistricting is not complete by this time, candidates cannot accurately collect funds and potentially harm their ability to qualify for public funding

Other issues

- Certification of Applicant Candidates as Participating Candidates requires prior notification to County Clerk for reprogramming of districts
- Awaiting timeline required by programmers to provide Committee

Timeline

- March 15: Exploratory Period Begins
- April 30: Exploratory Period Ends
- May 1: Qualifying Period Begins
First day for candidates to obtain signatures for Petitions. City Council candidates must obtain signatures of 500 registered voters in the district the candidate seeks to represent
- May 31: Qualifying Period Ends
- June 1: Applicant Candidates for public financing are certified as Participating Candidates and City Clerk distributes funds to Participating Candidates
- June 14: First day for City Council to adopt the election resolution
- June 28: Deadline for candidates to submit Petitions to City Clerk
Deadline for City Council to adopt the election resolution

Timeline Continued

- August 9: Declaration of Candidacy Due
- August 11: Candidates appear in the Office of the City Clerk to determine certification of candidacy
- August 16: Deadline for withdrawal of Candidacy
- October 4: Election Day