

Board of Election Commissioners Meeting
Wednesday, December 16, 2015 - 6:15 p.m.
Levi Lincoln Chamber, City Hall

Call to Order by the Chairperson

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes from September 16th and November 16th meetings

A. New Business

- 1. 2016 rental fee for polling locations**
- 2. Concerning the 2016 Street Listing**
- 3. Concerning Party Enrollment and Political Designations for the March 1, 2016 Presidential Primary.**
- 4. Concerning the 2016 Election Calendar**
- 5. Concerning the relocation of Ward Five, Precinct Two from the EcoTarium to Our Lady of Loreto Parish center, 33 Massasoit Rd.**
- 6. Concerning the relocation of Ward Seven, Precinct One from Beaver Brook Park Community House to the Big Y World Class Market, 100 Mayfield St.**
- 7. Concerning the Where do I vote? function on the city website.**

B. Items referred from the City Council to the Board of Election Commissioners

- 8. William S. Coleman III request City Council have Election Commission look at the possibility of software that would allow Worcester voters to vote by proportional representation as does Cambridge, Mass.**
- 9. William S. Coleman III request City Council request City Administration give an update on free transportation on November 3rd, Municipal Election Day, to polling places for voters.**
- 10. William S. Coleman, III request City Council request the Board of Election Commissioners rate all five of the city's districts with their voter turnout percentages, and list the ratings on the city's website.**

C. Old Business

- 11. Update concerning the electronic poll book HR3232**
- 12. Update on the Early Voting Hearings**
- 13. Update on Poll worker pay**

Next Meeting Date:

Adjournment

CITY OF WORCESTER - 2016 ANNUAL STREET LISTING

Attention Voters:

Your enrollment as a voter will affect the party primary in which you can vote at the March 1, 2016 Presidential Primary. There are four political parties in Massachusetts. If you are enrolled in one of these political parties, you will find the following letter codes next to your name in the column marked "PARTY" in the front of this form. Voters who are enrolled in one of the the following parties can only vote on the ballot for that party. If you wish to change your party enrollment, you must do so by completing a new voter registration form in person, by mail, or online at www.RegisterToVoteMA.com.

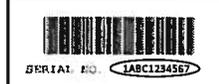
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| D - Democratic Party | R - Republican Party | CC - United Independent Party | J - Green-Rainbow |
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Voters who are UNENROLLED in a party (commonly known as "Independent") will be listed with the party code "U" in the PARTY column. Unenrolled voters and voters who are members of Political Designations (indicated by other letter codes) can choose which party's ballot they would like to receive.

If all household information on the reverse side is accurate, simply visit www.worcesterma.gov and click on the City Census link. You will need the SERIAL NUMBER that appears at the top right corner of this mailer, printed directly below the barcode. Only respond via the website if there are NO CHANGES to your information. If you do not have internet access, or changes are required, please make the appropriate changes in the shaded area, sign at the bottom, and return to the Worcester Election Commission using the enclosed envelope. Include all household members 3 years of age and older.

SAVE ON POSTAGE

If there are no changes, reply today by visiting our website and clicking on City Census. www.worcesterma.gov



Dear Worcester Resident,

The City Census is required by law. Please complete the census form and mail it to the Election Commission within **ten (10) days**. Note that this does not register you as a voter, however failure to respond to this mailing shall result in removal from the active voting list and may result in removal from the voter registration rolls.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE CENSUS FORM

If address printed on front is incorrect, make changes by drawing a line through the error and PRINT correction in open space beside address block.

Update the information provided by adding, deleting, or making changes directly below this information in the shaded areas. Directly below box labeled US Veteran, enter a (✓) if person is a veteran. If not a veteran, disregard it. Remember to print your new information in the shaded areas only. White areas include information in our files. The purpose of this census form is to update our records. The sixth box labeled "Moved or Deceased" asks if the person(s) listed have moved or are deceased. Enter an "M" or a "D" if appropriate.

If all information is correct, please just sign, date and return form in enclosed envelope.

If you need assistance, please call (508) 799-1134 during business hours.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,
ELECTION COMMISSION

ESTIMADO RESIDENTE DE WORCESTER,

La Ley exige este Censo Municipal. Por favor, complete el formulario del Censo y envíelo por correo a la Comisión de Elecciones dentro de diez (10) días después de haberlo recibido. Debemos informarle que el solo hecho de completar este formulario del Censo no le registra a usted como votante; sin embargo, si está registrado y no devuelve el formulario completado, su nombre será quitado de la lista de votantes activos en la Ciudad. También es posible que su nombre sea removido de la lista general de votantes registrados.

INSTRUCCIONES PARA COMPLETAR ESTE FORMULARIO

Solo tiene que corregir los errores. Por ejemplo: si la dirección dada es incorrecta, haga los cambios necesarios trazando una línea sobre ella y escribiendo en LETRA DE MOLDE la dirección correcta en el espacio provisto al lado de la dirección. Además, puede corregir información sobre los residentes en su hogar, también quitar o añadir nombres. Haga toda corrección en el AREA dado sombra del formulario. Bajo la columna US Veteran, haga una marca de cotejo (✓) si persona es veterano. Si no es veterano, deje el espacio sin llenar. Recuerde usar solamente el area dado sombra para hacer sus anotaciones. El casillado color blanco contiene información en nuestros archivos. El propósito de este formulario es actualizar records. El encasillado M/D uselo para indicar si la persona se ha mudado (M) o muerto (D). Si no existe alguna de esas dos condiciones, no use ese encasillado. Si toda la información está correcta, por favor nada más firme, ponerle la fecha y devuelve este formulario en el sobre encerrado.

Si necesita alguna ayuda para completar el formulario, o si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llame al (508) 799-1134 durante las horas laborales.

Gracias por su cooperación.

Sinceramente,
COMISION DE ELECCIONES

If you wish to register to vote or change your party enrollment, you must do so by completing a new voter registration form in person, by mail, or online at www.RegisterToVoteMA.com. If you have a question on this process, you may call the Election Commission at (508) 799-1134 during business hours.

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2016 Presidential Primary Calendar of Events

Subject to change by the General Court

| Calendar of Events | Deadline Dates |
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| Last day for city and town committees to notify the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number of members to be elected to each ward and town committee. | Monday, August 3, 2015 |
| Nomination Papers available at the Election Division in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and some city and town clerks' offices for ward, town and state committees. | Tuesday, August 4, 2015 |
| Last day for a candidate running for ward, town or state committee to enroll in the party. | Tuesday, August 18, 2015 |
| Nomination papers available for presidential candidates. | Tuesday, September 22, 2015 |
| ★ 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour to submit ward, town and state committee nomination papers to Registrars of Voters for certification of signatures. Registrars must sign both sides of nomination papers. | Friday, November 6, 2015 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete certification of signatures on nomination papers for ward, town and state committees. | Friday, November 13, 2015 |
| ★ 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour to file ward, town and state committee nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | Tuesday, November 17, 2015 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour to file withdrawals or objections to ward, town and state committee nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | Friday, November 20, 2015 |
| ★ 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour to submit presidential candidates' nomination papers to Registrars of Voters for certification of signatures. | Monday, December 21, 2015 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete certification of signatures for presidential candidates' nomination papers. | Monday, December 28, 2015 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour for presidential candidates to apply to Registrars of Voters for review of non-certified signatures. | Wednesday, December 30, 2015 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete review of non-certified signatures for presidential candidates. | Thursday, December 31, 2015 |
| ★ 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour to file presidential candidates' nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | Monday, January 4, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour to file objections to presidential candidates' nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | Thursday, January 7, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m. Last day and hour for presidential candidates to file an affidavit of withdrawal with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | Friday, January 8, 2016 |
| 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Last day to register to vote and change party enrollment for the Presidential Primary (except in towns with fewer than 1500 voters registration sessions must be held from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.). | Wednesday, February 10, 2016 |
| Presidential Primary | Tuesday, March 1, 2016 |

★ **Final Filing Deadline**

2016 Massachusetts State Primary and State Election Schedule

(Revised by Chapter 119 of the Acts of 2015)

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Deadline Dates

Calendar of Events

| | Party and non-party candidates for district and county offices | Party candidates for federal and state-wide offices | Non-party candidates for federal and state-wide offices |
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| Nomination papers must be available. | February 16, 2016 | February 16, 2016 | February 16, 2016 |
| Last day for a person running in a state primary to enroll in a party or for a person running only in a state election to unenroll from a party (except newly registered voters). | March 1, 2016 | March 8, 2016 | March 8, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour to submit nomination papers to Registrars of Voters for certification of signatures. | May 3, 2016 | May 10, 2016 | August 2, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete certification of signatures. | May 24, 2016 | May 31, 2016 | August 23, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour for candidates to apply for review of non-certified signatures. | May 26, 2016 | June 2, 2016 | August 25, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete review of non-certified signatures. | May 27, 2016 | June 6, 2016 | August 29, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour to file nomination papers (including party enrollment or voter registration certificate and Ethics Commission receipt) with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | May 31, 2016 | June 7, 2016 | August 30, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour to file withdrawals of or objections to nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | June 3, 2016 | June 10, 2016 | September 2, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour to fill vacancies caused by withdrawals. | June 8, 2016 | June 15, 2016 | September 8, 2016 |

PLEASE NOTE: All dates and deadlines below are the same for all candidates.

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| 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., last day to register to vote and to change party enrollment for the State Primaries (in towns with fewer than 1500 voters, registration sessions must be held 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.). | Friday, August 19, 2016 |
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State Primaries

Thursday, September 8, 2016

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| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour for all write-in or sticker candidates who won in a state primary to file a written acceptance of the nomination and receipt from the State Ethics Commission with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. | Monday, September 12, 2016 |
| 12:00 p.m., last day and hour to fill vacancies caused by withdrawals at the state primaries. | Tuesday, September 13, 2016 |
| 5:00 p.m., last day and hour to file withdrawals of or objections to nominations made at the state primaries. | Wednesday, September 14, 2016 |
| 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., last day to register to vote for the State Election (in towns with fewer than 1,500 voters, registration sessions must be held 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.). | Wednesday, October 19, 2016 |

State Election

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

YOUR ENROLLMENT AS A VOTER

When you register to vote, you may choose to enroll in a political party or political designation or may choose to remain "unenrolled," which is commonly referred to as independent.

Choosing to Enroll in a Political Party: There are four political parties in Massachusetts:

Democratic Party (D), (617) 776-2676

Republican Party (R), (617) 523-5005

Green-Rainbow (J), (413) 650-6542

United Independent Party (CC), (617) 2UNITED

If you enroll in any of these four parties you may vote only in that party's primary. Enrollment in a political party does not affect your right to vote in the general election. In the general election, all voters receive the same ballot and vote for the candidate of their choice, regardless of party enrollment.

Choosing No Enrollment in a Political Party: If you do not wish to enroll in a party, check the box next to "No Party (unenrolled)" on the voter registration form.

If you do not enroll in a party, you may still vote in state and presidential primaries by choosing a party ballot and will remain unenrolled, which is commonly referred to as "independent."

Choosing to Enroll in a Political Designation: In addition to the four political parties listed above, there are certain legal political designations in which you can enroll. Currently these are:

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| • Conservative Party | (A) | • Prohibition Party | (P) |
| • Natural Law Party | (B) | • American Independent Party | (Q) |
| • New World Council | (C) | • Socialist | (S) |
| • Reform Party | (E) | • Interdependent 3 rd Party | (T) |
| • Rainbow Coalition | (F) | • America First Party | (V) |
| • Green Party USA | (G) | • Veterans Party America | (W) |
| • We the People | (H) | • Pirate | (X) |
| • Constitution Party | (K) | • World Citizens Party | (Y) |
| • Libertarian Party | (L) | • Working Families | (Z) |
| • Timesizing Not Downsizing | (M) | • Pizza Party | (AA) |
| • New Alliance Party | (N) | • American Term Limits | (BB) |
| • Massachusetts Independent Party | (O) | • Twelve Visions Party | (DD) |

If you enroll in any political designation you may vote in the state or presidential primary of your choice.

Change Party Enrollment or Political Designation: Once you make an enrollment choice, you may change your enrollment status by notifying your election official in writing at least 20 days before a primary or election.