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All Interested Parties:

**SUBJECT: QUICK REFERENCE AND BALLOT MEASURE CALENDARS FOR THE 2026
PRIMARY NOMINATING AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**

For your future use, I have attached a copy of the 2026 Quick Reference and Ballot Measures Calendars for the 2026 Primary Nominating and General Municipal Elections. These Calendars list legal and practical deadlines for activities related to placing measures onto the next Election's ballot.

As a reminder, these dates are intended for reference purposes only. Some of the future Council Recess dates are tentative.

Also, please be aware that, with few noted exceptions, we have listed the legal (absolute) deadlines. Thus, it is advisable to schedule activities well in advance of these dates so that deadlines are not missed due to Council Recess, emergencies, or other unscheduled events.

Should you have any questions regarding the Calendars, please call the City Clerk's Election Division at (213) 978-0444.

Sincerely,

Signed with ClerkSign

Apr 23, 2025 2:41PM



Petty F. Santos
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Attachments

ELECTION EVENT QUICK REFERENCE CALENDAR LEGAL DEADLINES FOR CITY OF LOS ANGELES 2026 ELECTIONS

These are key election calendar events and their corresponding dates. Some events reflect the practical deadlines, which may differ from statutory deadlines, as explained in the footnotes. It is advisable to schedule activities well in advance of the dates listed to avoid the possibility of missing the deadline.

EVENT		PRIMARY NOMINATING* 06/02/26	GENERAL MUNICIPAL 11/03/26
Recommended last day for proponents to file Initiative Ordinance petitions	E-195¹	10/17/25 ²	03/24/26 ²
Last day for Council to request the City Attorney to prepare resolutions placing measures on the ballot	E-125	01/28/26	06/17/26 ³
Last day for Council to adopt election resolutions	E-110	2/11/26	06/26/26 ⁴
Last day for Council to adopt the ballot order and ballot designation	E-95	02/27/26	7/31/26
Last day for CAO to submit Tax Rate Statements for bond measures	E-88	03/06/26	08/07/26
Last day to file ballot arguments	E-85	03/09/26	08/10/26
Last day to file rebuttal arguments	E-75	03/19/26	08/20/26
Last day to submit CLA Impartial Summaries and CAO Financial Impact Statements	E-70	03/24/26	08/25/26
Last day for Ballot Simplification Committee to submit Ballot Summaries	E-64	03/23/26 ⁵	08/31/26
Last day for Council to approve Ballot Summary	E-60	03/27/26 ³	09/04/26
ELECTION DAY		06/02/26	11/03/26

* Presidential Primaries are held in March (2024, 2028, etc.); Gubernatorial Primaries are held in June 2026, 2030, etc.).

¹ Recommended (not legal) filing date to ensure compliance with deadlines that follow.

² Failure to meet this date does not necessarily mean that the measure cannot be placed on the ballot, but rather, that if this date is not met, other processes may preclude the measure from placement on the ballot. It is also possible that such a measure may be placed on an intervening special election if called by Council action.

³ The legal deadline is Wednesday, July 1, 2026, which is a tentative Council Recess date. In order to provide the City Attorney enough time to draft any resolutions, it is recommended that Council adopt this motion on June 17, 2026, 140 days before Election Day.

⁴ The legal deadline of E-110 falls on an anticipated Council Recess day (7/16/2026); therefore, the deadline is moved up to the Friday preceding the anticipated Council Recess. Resolutions of Necessity for bond measures must be adopted at the meeting before the final election resolutions.

⁵ The legal deadlines of E-64 and E-60 fall on a Holiday (3/30/2026) and during Council Recess, respectively; therefore, the deadlines are moved up to the preceding Monday and Friday ahead of Council Recess days.