



## Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of the City Clerk

**Date:** December 3, 2012  
**To:** Elections Committee  
**Subject:** 2013 Municipal Election Calendar  
**Recommendation:** Approve Candidate Filing Dates for the 2013 Municipal Election.

### Department Information

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Presenters in Committee: Grace Wachlarowicz

### Financial Impact

- No financial impact

### Supporting Information

Pursuant to Chapter 2, Sections 4 and 5 of the City Charter, the City Council is required to approve candidate filing dates prior to each municipal election. Staff recommends setting those dates concurrent with the dates outlined in state law, as has been the long-standing practice of the City. A calendar of significant dates relating to the 2013 Municipal Election is provided below. Despite the elimination of the municipal primary with the implementation of Ranked Choice Voting, MCO 167.140 designates the first Tuesday after the second Monday in September as a primary date solely for the purpose of setting a due date for campaign reports prior to a primary, pursuant to Minn. Stat. §383B.048.

### Proposed 2013 Municipal Election Calendar:

<b>2013</b>	General only
Candidate Filing	July 30 – August 13 98 days to 84 days before the General Election
1st Campaign Finance filing	September 3
2nd Campaign Finance filing	October 29
General Election	November 5