

Cycle of Election Years

City of Minneapolis – Elections & Voter Registration

2012 through 2024 as of April 8, 2010

The Primary is the second Tuesday in August. The General Election is first Tuesday following the first Monday in November.

The Minneapolis Municipal election is conducted using Ranked Choice Voting and has no Primary. This Ranked Choice Election is hand-counted until certified equipment is purchased. All terms are 4-year terms with these exceptions: U.S. Senate is a 6-year term, State Representative is a 2-year term, State Senators have a 4-4-2 year term cycle which matches the redistricting cycle, with first 4-year term elected in the year ending in a 2. Statewide there are 67 State Senators and 134 State Representatives. Elected candidates take office the first business day of January the next year.

Presidential Election: 2012, 2016, 2020, 2024

- President & Vice President
- U.S. Senate - except 2016
- U.S. Representatives
- State Senators – 4-4-2 year terms – 2012, 2016, 2020
- State Representatives
- County offices
- Minneapolis Public Schools
 - At-Large 1 or 2
 - Districts – Districts 1, 3 and 5 or Districts 2, 4 and 6
- State Supreme Court, Court of Appeals and District 4 Judges

Municipal Elections – 2013, 2017, 2021

- Every four years
- Ranked Choice Voting General Election with no Primary
- Offices
 - Mayor
 - Council Members -13 wards
 - Board of Estimate and Taxation – 2 at-large
 - Park Board
 - 3 at-large
 - 6 by districts

Gubernatorial Election - 2014, 2018, 2022

- Governor & Lt. Governor
- U.S. Senate - except 2022
- U.S. Representatives
- State Senators - 4-4-2 year terms – 2022
- State Representatives
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No regularly schedule elections – 2011, 2015, 2019, 2023

- During these years, election staff reviews best practices of other election offices, works on redistricting, does planning for implementation of the next election cycle that begins with the Presidential election.