

2006 Candidate Information Packet

Special School District Number 1
Minneapolis

July 2006

Note: This handout is distributed as general information for candidates. It also includes campaign sign regulations specific to Minneapolis. It is not a complete list of laws pertaining to election procedures and is not intended to be relied upon nor used to resolve any question or dispute with respect to any particular factual situation. Please refer to the materials provided by Hennepin County for additional information. In all matters, Minnesota Election Law is the final authority.

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Minneapolis Elections

- **Statement of Economic Interest/blue envelope – file with Minneapolis Elections**

Hennepin County

- **Registration and Statement of Organization/instructions – file with Hennepin County**
- **Campaign Finance**
- Campaign Contribution Limits - tan
- Financial Disclosure Law & related campaign law – green booklet

MN Secretary of State

- Voter Registration List Prices & Order Form
- Campaign Manual – May 2006

2006 Election Calendar

Special School District Number 1 - Minneapolis

This calendar lists important dates for the 2006 election season which are determined by the Minnesota Constitution, Minnesota Statutes, Minnesota Rules and the Minneapolis City Charter. The Minnesota Constitution is available at: <http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/ccr/rules/mncon/preamble.htm>. Minnesota statutes and rules are available at: <http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/>. The Minneapolis City Charter is available at: <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cityhall/laws/charter/>. In all matters, Minnesota Election Law or Charter is the final authority, not this calendar.

July 5	Candidate filings open 8:00 A.M.
July 18	Candidate filings close 5:00 P.M.
July 20	Candidates may withdraw until 5:00 P.M.
August 11	Absentee voting begins for Primary
August 15	Last day to submit a City Charter amendment proposal for November General Election ballot
August 22	Voter pre-registration for the Primary closes at 5:00 P.M. Voter registrations must be in the hands of election officials.
September 4	Office closed: Labor Day Holiday
September 5	Minneapolis Public Accuracy Test at Minneapolis Voting Equipment Warehouse - 2:00 p.m.
September 9	Open for Absentee voting 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
September 11	Open for Absentee voting until 5:00 P.M.
September 12	<p>PRIMARY – Minneapolis Polls are open 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.</p> <p>2:00 P.M. deadline for agent delivery of an absentee ballot to a voter in a health care facility</p> <p>3:00 P.M. deadline for agent return of absentee ballots to City Elections Office</p> <p>6:00 - 8:00 P.M. No public meetings or school events except regularly scheduled classes <i>MS204C.03</i></p>
September 14	School Board to canvass Primary results within 2 days of Primary
September 19	Contest period ends – five days after 9/14 canvass
October 6	Absentee voting begins for General Election
October 9	Office closed: Columbus Day Holiday
October 17	Voter pre-registration for the General Election closes at 5:00 P.M. Voter registrations must be in the hands of election officials.
October 31	Minneapolis Public Accuracy Test at Minneapolis Voting Equipment Warehouse - 2:00 P.M.
November 4	Open for Absentee voting 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.
November 6	Open for Absentee voting until 5:00 P.M.

November 7	<p>GENERAL ELECTION – Minneapolis Polls are open 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.</p> <p>2:00 P.M. deadline for agent delivery of an absentee ballot to a voter in a health care facility</p> <p>3:00 P.M. deadline for agent return of absentee ballots to City Elections Office</p> <p>6:00 - 8:00 P.M. No public meetings or school events except regularly scheduled classes <i>MS204C.03</i></p>
November 10	Office closed: Veterans Day Holiday
November 14	<p>Last day for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Board to canvass School District General Election results • City Council to canvass City Charter Amendment Results (if any)
To be determined	Contest period ends within 7 days of canvass
November 23-24	Office closed: Thanksgiving Day Holiday
December 25	Office closed: Christmas Day Holiday
January 1, 2007	Office closed: New Years Day Holiday
January 2, 2007	Terms begin for officers elected at the General Election on the first business day in January

How to File for Office in 2006

MINNEAPOLIS SCHOOL BOARD – SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 1

There are seven members on the School Board. All members are elected at-large. Terms are staggered, with 3 or 4 members being elected every other year. The school board is a policy-making body responsible for selecting the superintendent and overseeing the District's budget, curriculum, personnel and facilities. For further information: www.mpls.k12.mn.us

Four at-large positions will be on the ballot in 2006. If more than eight candidates file, all candidates will be on the Tuesday, September 12 Primary ballot. The top eight vote-getters will be on the November 7 General Election ballot.

Eligibility to Hold Office - Article VII, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Minnesota

Eligible voter

Twenty-one (21) years of age

Resided in the district thirty days previous to the General election

School Board Director candidates are ineligible if a registered sex offender - M.S. 205A.06 subd. 1b

Filing process & Filing Fee: All candidates must file an affidavit of candidacy and pay a filing fee or submit a petition in lieu of the filing fee. The filing fee is \$20.00.

When to file for office: July 5 through July 18, 2006 – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Candidates may withdraw no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, July 20, 2006.

Candidates absent during the filing period may arrange to file prior to departure.

Where to file for office:

Minneapolis Elections and Voter Registration Office

350 5th Street South - Room 1B (ground floor), Minneapolis

Phone: 612-673-2070

Hours: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Campaign registration & reporting: Candidates who raise or spend funds over a certain threshold must register their campaign committees and submit regular fundraising and expenditure reports. Note: Campaign registration may be required prior to Candidate Filing.

- Candidates for Minneapolis School Board who raise or spend over \$100.00 must register their campaign committees within 14 days. They are required to submit regular reports of receipts and expenditures. For information call 612-596-7152 or visit the website: www.hennepin.us and select "Campaign Finance."

Statement of Economic Interest: Candidates must file a personal financial disclosure.

- Candidates for Minneapolis School Board must file a personal financial disclosure within 14 calendar days of filing their candidacy (July 5 – July 18) with the Minneapolis Elections & Voter Registration Office. Candidates will receive this form when they file for office.

Campaign Sign Regulations & Enforcement

Enforcement of campaign sign violations is split between the City and the state, depending on whether the sign violated the city's ordinances or state campaign practices law.

For information on enforcement of Minneapolis ordinances contact City Sign Inspections at 612-673-5812 (leave a detailed message) or the Minneapolis Elections office at 612-673-2070.

For enforcement information of state laws, contact Office of Administrative Hearings at 612-341-7600 or www.oah.state.mn.us.

Minneapolis Code of Ordinances:

543.260. Political signs. (a) *Location.* Political signs are allowed as a permitted encroachment in the required front yard. No political sign shall be closer than eight (8) feet from any other zoning lot. No political sign shall be placed on the public right-of-way, including boulevard trees and utility poles.

(b) *Size.*

(1) *Residence and OR1 Districts.* One (1) freestanding or wall political sign, not to exceed eight (8) square feet in area, shall be permitted per street frontage. A larger political sign may be allowed, provided such sign shall be included in the calculation of the total permitted sign area of the site and shall be regulated as such.

(2) *All other districts.* One (1) freestanding or wall political sign, not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area, shall be permitted per street frontage. A larger political sign may be allowed, provided such sign shall be included in the calculation of the total permitted sign area of the site and shall be regulated as such.

(c) *Height.*

(1) *Residence and OR1 Districts.* The height of a freestanding political sign shall not exceed six (6) feet. A political sign mounted on a wall shall not exceed the height requirements of the district in which the sign is located.

(2) *All other districts.* The height of a freestanding political sign shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet. A political sign mounted on a wall shall not exceed the height requirements of the district in which the sign is located.

(d) *Sign removal.* Signs sponsoring candidates for public office shall be removed within ten (10) days after an election has been held unless the candidate is one (1) who qualifies as a candidate to be named on the ballot at a general election after a primary election. In that case, signs erected prior to the primary election may be left in place until ten (10) days after the general election.



Hennepin County Transportation Department

Permit Office
1600 Prairie Drive
Medina, MN 55340

Phone: 612-596-0336
www.co.hennepin.mn.us

Dear 2006 Candidate for Public Office:

This letter is written to inform you of Hennepin County's policy regarding campaign signs placed within the right-of-way. In-order to maintain county rights-of-way and to provide safe, unobstructed highways for the traveling public, Hennepin County does not allow campaign signs within the right-of-way. This policy is supported by Minnesota Statute 160.27, which prohibits the placement, painting, printing or affixing of advertisements on any object within the limits of any highway in Minnesota. By following this policy, Hennepin County personnel will not remove your signs.

Please provide this information to your campaign staff, workers and volunteers. All campaign signs must be located wholly off county right-of-way. If you need help determining the location of the county right-of-way, please contact the County Surveyors department at (612) 348-3131. Other municipalities may have different requirements—we encourage you to contact your local authorities for more information.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact the Permit Office at (612) 596-0336.

State of Minnesota Department of Transportation

May 1, 2006

TO: CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

This letter is to remind you that state law prohibits the placement, painting, printing, or affixing of advertisements on any object within the limits of any highway in Minnesota. This prohibition in Minnesota Statutes, section 160.27, applies to political campaign signs as well as to all other forms of advertising. The law applies to all state, county, city and township roads and highways.

In addition, the Minnesota Outdoor Advertising Control Act ([Minnesota Statutes, section 173.15](#)) prohibits erecting advertising devices:

- on private land without the consent of the owner or occupant;
- on public utility poles;
- on trees or shrubs; and
- by painting or drawing on rocks or natural features.

The Federal Highway Administration office in Minnesota monitors Minnesota's compliance with federal highway beautification laws. State transportation employees are responsible for administering these laws on state highways and must remove signs that violate the laws. County, city, and townships employees administer these laws on their roads.

Since political campaign workers may not be familiar with the laws, please distribute this information to those placing signs on your behalf. Local Mn/DOT offices should be contacted for assistance when signs are being placed where the specific highway right-of-way cannot be clearly identified. When improperly placed signs are removed by department employees, every effort will be made to temporarily store the sign and to notify the candidate so that the signs can be retrieved by the candidate or the candidate's workers.

I sincerely request your cooperation in seeing that your campaign workers are knowledgeable about these laws. Department employees will make every effort to be fair and impartial in administering the law so that all advertisers can expect equal treatment under this law.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Carol Molnau
Lt. Gov./Commisisoner

CAMPAIGN SIGN COMPLAINT CHART FOR THE 2006 ELECTION YEAR

6/29/06

Complaint	Regulated by	Refer Caller to
Content of a sign	MS 211B	Office of Administrative Hearings 612-341-7600 or www.oah.state.mn.us – Choose: Information – Fair Campaign Process
Location of signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In CITY streets and/or right of ways 	Minneapolis Ordinance 543.260	Call Minneapolis 311 or email Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us – add “Campaign Sign Complaint” in the subject line
Location of signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In STATE or FEDERAL street and/or right of ways 	MS.173.15 and MS 160.27	Minnesota Department of Transportation Metropolitan District Office 651-582-1000 – ask for “Right of Way”
Location of signs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On CORPORATE property 	MS 211B.15	Office of Administrative Hearings 612-341-7600 www.oah.state.mn.us - Choose: Information – Fair Campaign Process page
Size or quantity of signs	Minneapolis Ordinance 543.260	Call Minneapolis 311 or email Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us – add “Campaign Sign Complaint” in the subject line
On Election Day: Signs within <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 feet of a building that is a polling place on the public property of a building that is a polling place (park, school, library, public housing) 	MS 211B.11	Direct caller to Minneapolis Elections 612-673-2070
Signs up past 10 days of an election including the candidate	Minneapolis Ordinance 543.260 MS 211B.045	Call Minneapolis 311 or email Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us – add “Campaign Sign Complaint” in the subject line

MS 211B.045 Noncommercial signs exemption

In any municipality, whether or not the municipality has an ordinance that regulates the size or number of noncommercial signs, all noncommercial signs of any size may be posted in any number from August 1 *in a state general election* year until ten days following the state general election. Statute applies only in a state election year.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
 OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
 100 Washington Avenue South - #1700
 Minneapolis, MN 55401

**COMPLAINT FORM FOR VIOLATION OF THE FAIR
 CAMPAIGN PRACTICES
 AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE ACTS**

Information about complaint filer (Complainant)

Name of complaint filer	
Address	
City, state, zip	Daytime telephone no.
Fax no.	E-mail address

Identify person/entity you are complaining about (Respondent)

Name of person/entity being complained about	
Address	
City, state, zip	Daytime telephone no.
Fax no.	E-mail address

Give the statutory cite to the part of Minnesota Statutes Chapter 211A or 211B that you believe has been violated. _____.

(You will find the complete text of Minn. Stat. Chs. 211A and 211B at the OAH website, www.oah.state.mn.us.)

Date(s) of violation: _____.

Date of election or ballot question: _____.

Elected office or ballot question involved: _____.

If allowed by law, do you wish to request an expedited probable cause hearing (within 3 business days)? _____.

Send completed form and check for \$50 filing fee made payable to: Office of Administrative Hearings. If you are financially unable to pay the filing fee, you may submit an *in forma pauperis* affidavit (available on the OAH website) instead.

Complaints may be submitted to the OAH by personal delivery, U.S. mail or fax (612-349-2665). Complaints are not deemed filed until both the complaint form and filing fee are received at the Office of Administrative Hearings. Because the Office of Administrative Hearings closes at 4:30 p.m., anything received after that time will be deemed received the following business day.

If you have questions call an OAH staff attorney at 612-349-2539 or 612-341-7666. OAH staff may also be reached by e-mail at: electioncomplaints@oah.state.mn.us.

This document is available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities by calling 612-341-7610. For TTY/TDD communication contact us at 612-341-7346.

Minn. Stat. § 211B.33, subd. 1 and 2 (prima facie review) provides as follows:

Subdivision 1. (TIME FOR REVIEW.) The chief administrative law judge must randomly assign an administrative law judge to review the complaint. Within one business day after the complaint was filed with the office, when practicable, but never longer than three business days, the administrative law judge must make a preliminary determination for its disposition.

Subd. 2. (RECOMMENDATION.) (a) If the administrative law judge determines that the complaint does not set forth a prima facie violation of chapter 211A or 211B, the administrative law judge must dismiss the complaint.

- (b) If the administrative law judge determines that the complaint sets forth a prima facie violation of section 211B.06 and was filed within 60 days before the primary or special election or within 90 days before the general election to which the complaint relates, the administrative law judge must conduct an expedited probable cause hearing under section 211B.34.
- (c) If the administrative law judge determines that the complaint sets forth a prima facie violation of a provision of chapter 211A or 211B, other than section 211B.06, and that the complaint was filed within 60 days before the primary or special election or within 90 days before the general election to which the complaint relates, the administrative law judge, on request of any party, must conduct an expedited probable cause hearing under section 211B.34.
- (d) If the administrative law judge determines that the complaint sets forth a prima facie violation of chapter 211A or 211B, and was filed more than 60 days before the primary or special election or more than 90 days before the general election to which the complaint relates, the administrative law judge must schedule an evidentiary hearing under section 211B.35.



Procedures for Political Solicitation in Minneapolis Public Housing Authority Apartment Buildings for 2006 Elections

This letter explains Minneapolis Public Housing Authority's (MPHA) procedures for political solicitation in MPHA apartment buildings for the 2006 elections. Everyone must follow this procedure which complies with Minnesota State law. A candidate who has filed for election to a public office and representatives who are with the candidate are permitted on the premises for the purpose of campaigning door to door and distributing campaign literature to the individual apartments. The number of persons and the visits shall be reasonable.

Also, the candidate and the candidate's representative must first contact Property Management to gain access to the building. To contact the appropriate property management staff, please call MPHA's Director of Property Management at (612) 342-1225. Also, all candidates and their representatives shall have reasonable and proper identification to enter the premises. However, tenants may deny admittance to their unit.

No one may erect or post a sign of a political nature on or within the building community space or grounds. However, tenants may post signs in their unit windows, subject to the following guidelines:

- a. Signs may be posted no earlier than 30 days prior to primary elections and must be removed one week after general elections.
- b. Signs from window to window or between apartments are not permitted.
- c. Signs may not cover more than 15% of the total glass area in the room.

Political gatherings are permitted if non-restrictive in nature and are open to all tenants and their guests. If resident organizations invite a candidate for a certain elected office to attend a meeting, they are encouraged to give all candidates for the same office the opportunity to attend. This is especially true, if controversial issues will be discussed. If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Property Management at 612-342-1225.

Campaigning in Multiple Unit Dwellings

211B.20 Denial of access by political candidates to multiple unit dwellings.

Subdivision 1. **Prohibition.** It is unlawful for a person, either directly or indirectly, to deny access to an apartment house, dormitory, nursing home, manufactured home park, other multiple unit facility used as a residence, or an area in which two or more single-family dwellings are located on private roadways to a candidate who has filed for election to public office or to campaign workers accompanied by the candidate, if the candidate and workers seeking admittance to the facility do so solely for the purpose of campaigning. A violation of this section is a petty misdemeanor.

Subd. 2. **Exceptions.** Subdivision 1 does not prohibit:

- (1) denial of admittance into a particular apartment, room, manufactured home, or personal residential unit;
- (2) requiring reasonable and proper identification as a necessary prerequisite to admission to a multiple unit dwelling;
- (3) in the case of a nursing home, denial of permission to visit certain persons for valid health reasons;
- (4) limiting visits by candidates or workers accompanied by the candidate to a reasonable number of persons or reasonable hours;
- (5) requiring a prior appointment to gain access to the facility; or
- (6) denial of admittance to or expulsion from a multiple unit dwelling for good cause.



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July 5, 2006

To: Candidates in the 2006 City of Minneapolis Elections

From: Cindy Reichert, Director
612-673-2070

**PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST OF MINNEAPOLIS VOTING EQUIPMENT
PRIMARY & GENERAL ELECTIONS**

A public accuracy test, per Minnesota Statute 206.83, will be conducted at the Voting Equipment Warehouse, 771 Harding Street Northeast, Suite 100, on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 2:00 pm to demonstrate the accuracy of the computer program, voting equipment, and ballots to be used at the September 12, 2006 Primary Election and again on Tuesday, October 31, 2006 at 2:00 pm to demonstrate the accuracy of the computer program, voting equipment, and ballots to be used at the November 7, 2005 General Election. Individuals interested in observing the process are invited to attend.

**LIST OF POLLING PLACES, CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
SEPTEMBER 12 AND NOVEMBER 7, 2006**

FIRST WARD	FOURTH WARD
<p>PRECINCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Golf Building, Columbia Park, 3300 Central Ave NE 2 - Waite Park, 1810 34th Ave NE 3 - Northeast Middle School, 2955 Hayes St NE <i>(in Media Center)</i> 4 - Audubon Park, 1320 29th Ave NE 5 - Windom Park Building, 2251 Hayes St NE <i>(Hayes & 23rd - School Annex)</i> 6 - Parker Skyview Highrise, 1815 Central Ave NE 7 - Tuttle School, 1042 18th Ave SE 8 - River Village, 2919 Randolph St NE 9 - Northeast Library, 2200 Central Ave NE 10 - Holland Highrise, 1717 Washington St NE 	<p>PRECINCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Creekview Community Center, 5001 Humboldt Ave N 2 - Jenny Lind Elementary School, 5025 Bryant Ave N 3 - Shingle Creek Commons, 4600 Humboldt Ave N 4 - Loring Elementary School, 2600 44th Ave N 5 - Henry High School, 2020 43rd Ave N 6 - Hamilton Manor Highrise, 1314 44th Ave N 7 - Luther Memorial Church, 3751 Sheridan Ave N 8 - Parkway United Church of Christ, 3120 Washburn Ave N 9 - Folwell Community Center, 1615 Dowling Ave N 10 - Oliver Manor Highrise, 3116 Oliver Ave N
SECOND WARD	FIFTH WARD
<p>PRECINCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Heltzer Manor Highrise, 2121 Minnehaha Ave 2 - Brackett Park, 2728 39th Ave S 3 - Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Ave SE 4 - Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave SE 5 - Sidney Pratt School, 66 Malcolm Ave SE 6 - St. Frances Cabrini Church, 1500 Franklin Ave SE 7 - Seward Square Apartments, 2121 9th St S 8 - Seven Corners Apartments, 1400 2nd St S 9 - Seward Towers East, 2910 Franklin Ave E 10 - Coyle Community Center, 420 15th Ave S 11 - Grace University Lutheran Church, 324 Harvard St SE 	<p>PRECINCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Minneapolis Urban League, 2100 Plymouth Ave N 2 - Jordan Park Middle School, 1501 30th Ave N 3 - Rainbow Terrace, 1710 Plymouth Ave N 4 - North Point Health & Wellness Center, Inc, 1315 Penn Ave N 5 - Lyndale Manor Highrise, 600 18th Ave N 6 - W. Harry Davis Academy, 1510 Glenwood Ave N 7 - Phyllis Wheatley Community Center – Bethune Park , 1301 10th Ave N 8 - Jordan New Life Community Church, 1922 25th Ave N 9 - Phyllis Wheatley Community Center – Bethune Park , 1301 10th Ave N 10 - River of Life Lutheran Church, 2200 Fremont Ave N
THIRD WARD	SIXTH WARD
<p>PRECINCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - St Lawrence Catholic Church, 1203 5th St SE 2 - First Congregational Church of MN, 500 8th Ave SE 3 - Marcy Open School, 415 4th Ave SE 4 - Spring Manor Highrise, 828 Spring St NE 5 - St Marons Catholic Church, 219 6th Ave NE 6 - East Side Neighborhood Services, 1700 2nd St NE 7 - City View School, 3350 4th St N 8 - Farview Park, 621 29th Ave N 9 - Lynway Manor, 2415 3rd St N 	<p>PRECINCT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 - Whittier International Elementary School, 315 26th St W 2 - Whittier Park, 425 26th St W 3 - Minnesota Church Center, 122 Franklin Ave W <i>(Use Pillsbury Ave Entrance)</i> 4 - First Christian Church, 2201 1st Ave S 5 - Franklin Library, 1314 Franklin Ave E 6 - Pentagon Highrise, 1415 22nd St E 7 - Ebenezer Towers, 2523 Portland Ave S 8 - Ebenezer Park Apartments, 2700 Park Ave

SEVENTH WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Bryn Mawr School, 252 Upton Ave S
- 2 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1917 Logan Ave S
- 3 - First Unitarian Society, 900 Mount Curve Ave
- 4 - Jones Harrison Residence, 3700 Cedar Lake Ave
- 5 - Oak Grove Towers, 215 Oak Grove St
- 6 - Towers Apartments (Lobby Annex), 15 1st St S
- 7 - Heritage Landing, 415 1st St N
- 8 - Emerson Elementary School, 1421 Spruce Place
- 9 - Central Lutheran Church, 333 12th St S
- 10 - Augustana Health Care Center, 1007 14th St E
- 11 - Fire Station #1, 530 3rd St S

ELEVENTH WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Knox Presbyterian Church, 4747 Lyndale Ave S
- 2 - Washburn High School, 201 49th St W
- 3 - Mayflower Church, 106 Diamond Lake Road E
- 4 - Richfield Lutheran Church, 8 60th St W
- 5 - Pearl Community Center, 414 Diamond Lake Road E
- 6 - Diamond Lake Lutheran Church, 5760 Portland Ave
- 7 - McRae Park Building, 906 47th St E
- 8 - Our Lady of Peace Church, 5426 12th Ave S
- 9 - Wenonah School, 5625 23rd Ave S

EIGHTH WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Central Gym Park, 3450 4th Ave S (*use 4th Ave S entrance*)
- 2 - Office of Indian Ministries, 3045 Park Ave
- 3 - Hosmer Library, 347 36th St E
- 4 - Holy Name Church, 3637 11th Ave S
- 5 - Sabathani Community Center, 310 38th St E
- 6 - Martin Luther King Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave
- 7 - Martin Luther King Park, 4055 Nicollet Ave
- 8 - Bancroft School, 1315 - 38th St E
- 9 - Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church, 4120 17th Ave S
- 10 - St. Joan of Arc Gymnasium, 4537 3rd Ave S

TWELVE WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Bethlehem Covenant Church, 3141 43rd Ave S
- 2 - Dowling School, 3900 River Pkwy W
- 3 - St. Peders Lutheran Church, 4600 42nd St E
- 4 - Hiawatha School, 4201 42nd Ave S
- 5 - Keewaydin Neighborhood Center, 3030 53rd St E
- 6 - Minnehaha United Methodist Church, 3701 50th St E
- 7 - Minnesota Veterans Home (Bldg. #17), 5101 Minnehaha Ave
- 8 - St. Helena Catholic Church, 3201 43rd St E (*use Parking lot entrance*)
- 9 - Trinity Lutheran Church of Minnehaha Falls, 5212 41st Ave S
- 10 - Morris Park, 5531 39th Ave S
- 11 - Nokomis Community Center, 2401 Minnehaha Pkwy E

NINTH WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2730 31st St E
- 2 - Anne Sullivan Communication Center, 3100 28th St E
- 3 - Spirit of the Lakes United Church of Christ, 2930 13th Ave S
- 4 - Little Earth of United Tribes NELC, 2438 18th Ave S
- 5 - Powderhorn Park Building, 3400 15th Ave S
- 6 - Corcoran Neighborhood Center, 3334 20th Ave S
- 7 - El Milagro Lutheran Church, 3751 17th Ave S
- 8 - Providence Place, 3720 23rd Ave S
- 9 - Longfellow Park, 3435 36th Ave S
- 10 - Andersen School, 2727 10th Ave S (*use Andersen Lane entrance*)
- 11 - Hiawatha Towers Highrise, Bldg #2, 2121 16th Ave S

THIRTEENTH WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Bakken Library, 3537 Zenith Ave S
- 2 - Lake Harriet Community School - Lower Campus, 4030 Chowen Ave S
- 3 - Linden Hills Park, 3100 43rd St W
- 4 - Pershing Neighborhood Center, 3523 48th St W
- 5 - Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church, 5025 Knox Ave S
- 6 - Lynnhurst Community Center, 1345 Minnehaha Pkwy W (*use Pkwy entrance*)
- 7 - St. Luke's Parish, 4557 Colfax Ave S
- 8 - Armatage Neighborhood Center, 5701 Russell Ave S
- 9 - Anthony School, 5757 Irving Ave S
- 10 - Kenny School, 5720 Emerson Ave S

TENTH WARD

PRECINCT

- 1 - Jefferson Elementary School, 1200 26th St W
- 2 - Ballentine VFW Post, 2916 Lyndale Ave S
- 3 - St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, 3450 Irving Ave S
- 4 - Bryant Square Park, 3101 Bryant Ave S
- 5 - Horn Towers Highrise, 3121 Pillsbury Ave
- 6 - First Universalist Church, 3400 Dupont Ave S
- 7 - Painter Park, 620 34th St W
- 8 - Walker Methodist Home, 3737 Bryant Ave S
- 9 - Church of New Life, 3536 Nicollet Ave
- 10 - Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Ave S (*use Fremont Ave entrance*)
- 11 - Walker Library, 2880 Hennepin Ave

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POLLING PLACE & PRECINCT CHANGES 2006 – AT-A-GLANCE

2006 Polling Place Changes

Polling Place Location Changes for 2006		
Ward – Precinct	2006 Location	2005 (former) Location
1-9	Northeast Library 2200 Central Ave NE	YMCA 2304 Jackson St NE
2-11	Grace University Lutheran Church 324 Harvard St SE	Minnesota Department of Health 717 Delaware St SE
3-3	Marcy Open School 415 4 th Ave SE	De LaSalle School 1 De LaSalle Drive
6-1	Whittier International Elementary School 315 26 th St W	Salem English Lutheran Church 610 28 th St W
6-5	Franklin Library 1314 Franklin Ave E	Trinity First Lutheran Church 1115 19 th St E
10-11	Walker Library 2880 Hennepin Ave	YWCA Uptown 2808 Hennepin Ave
12-3	St Peders Lutheran Church 4600 42 nd St E	Hiawatha Park 4305 42 nd St E

Polling Place Buildings Remain the Same, but Street Address Changed		
Ward – Precinct	2006 New Address	2005 Building, replace with new address at left
3-8	Farview Park 621 29 th Ave N	Farview Park 609 29 th Ave N
6-2	Whittier Park 425 26 th St W	Whittier Park 2600 Grand Ave S
11-8	Our Lady of Peace Church 5426 12 th Ave S	Our Lady of Peace Church 5425 11 th Ave S
12-5	Keewaydin Neighborhood Center 3030 53 rd St E	Keewaydin Neighborhood Center 3000 53 rd St E
12-7	Minnesota Veterans Home (Bldg. #17) 5101 Minnehaha Ave	Minnesota Veterans Home (Bldg. #17) 5100 Minnehaha Ave

**Polling Place Buildings Remain the Same,
but the Building Name has Changed**

Ward – Precinct	2006 New Building Name	2005 Building, replace with new address at left
2-2	Bracket Park 2728 39 th Ave S	Bracket Field House 2729 39 th Ave S
4-1	Creekview Community Center 5001 Humboldt Ave N	Creek View Neighborhood Center 5001 Humboldt Ave N
4-9	Folwell Community Center 1615 Dowling Ave N	Folwell Park Field House 1615 Dowling Ave N
5-4	North Point Health & Wellness Center, Inc. 1315 Penn Ave N	North Point Health & Wellness Center 1315 Penn Ave N
8-1	Central Gym Park 3450 4 th Ave S	Old Central Community Center (Gym) 3450 4 th Ave S
9-6	Corcoran Neighborhood Center 3334 20 th Ave S	Corcoran Community Center 3334 20 th Ave S
10-4	Bryant Square Park 3101 Bryant Ave S	Bryant Square 3101 Bryant Ave S
11-5	Pearl Community Center 414 Diamond Lake Road E	Pearl Neighborhood Center 414 Diamond Lake Road E
12-10	Morris Park 5531 39 th Ave S	Morris Park Field House 3100 43 rd St W
13-3	Linden Hills Park 3100 43 rd St W	Linden Hills Recreation Center 3100 43 rd St W

Voting in Minneapolis - 2006

Election Dates

Primary: Tuesday, September 12, 2006 **General:** Tuesday, November 7, 2006
Polls are open 7 AM to 8 PM.

Offices on the ballot in 2006

Minneapolis School Board - Special School District Number 1 (4 of 7 seats)
County, state and federal offices

Voting in the 2006 Election

To vote in the 2006 election, you must be either pre-registered or register at the polls on Election Day. If you moved, changed your name, or have not voted in the past four years, you must re-register to vote in 2006.

Voting Locations: Voters must vote in the precinct where they live. Use the **Minneapolis Voting Precinct Finder** on our Web site to find your polling place, view a map and photo of your polling place. Or call Minneapolis 311 for the voting location for your address.

Voter Registration: To be pre-registered, registration applications must be received by Election Officials 20 days before Election Day.

Deadline to pre-register for Primary: Tuesday, August 22, 2006 5:00 PM

Deadline to pre-register for General election: Tuesday, October 17, 2006 5:00 PM

Register at City, County and State government offices and libraries, or print a registration application via the City Web site.

To register on Election Day

See our Web site or call Minneapolis 311 for a list of state authorized identification required as proof of residence. Allow extra time at the polls if you are not registered.

Absentee Voting

Primary Absentee Voting: **Friday, August 11 - Monday, Sept. 11, 2006**

General Absentee Voting: **Friday, October 6 - Monday, Nov. 6, 2006**

Absentee voting locations and hours:

Minneapolis City Hall - 350 South 5th Street South, Minneapolis - Room 1B (ground floor)

Hennepin County Government Center - 300 6th Street South, Minneapolis

Monday through Friday: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday before each election: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Eligible Minneapolis voters may vote by absentee ballot for any of the following reasons:

- Absence from the precinct on Election Day, illness or disability, religious observance, service as an Election Judge in another precinct.
- Voters in hospital or health-care facilities should call the Minneapolis Elections Office.
- US military service members and their families, and voters residing overseas should contact their Hennepin County Elections at 612-348-5151.

Voters may vote in person or complete the entire process by mail. You may pick up an application for an absentee ballot in person, call to request one by mail or print the application off of our Web site. We must receive your signed application by before we can mail your ballot. Allow at least seven days to complete voting by mail.

Call Minneapolis 311 weekdays 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM.

TTY 612-673-2157

Elections Fax 612-673-2756

Conducting a Voter Registration Drive

A new federal law, The Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), requires additional information when registering to vote.

Two questions at the top of the Voter Registration Application: The voter registration application now includes two questions to be answered by registrants - "Are you a U.S. citizen" and "Will you be 18 years old on or before Election Day?" The registrant should answer both questions before filling out the rest of the card. **Please do not fill in the boxes for the voter unless assistance is required.**

ID information: All registrants now **must** also provide their Minnesota Driver's License or Minnesota ID number if they have one.

- ◆ If they do not have a MN Driver's License Number or MN ID number, then they must provide the last four digits of their Social Security number
- ◆ If the voter does not have a current & valid MN Driver's License or MN ID or a Social Security number, then the voter should print "NONE" in the box designated for the ID number.

Required information for voter registration in Minnesota:

- ◆ Name
- ◆ Address
- ◆ Date of birth
- ◆ Signature

Information about returning completed applications:

Minnesota law requires completed voter registration applications to be submitted to election officials within 10 days after the cards are dated by the voter. M.S. 201.061 subd.1

In-person delivery of applications: Completed applications can be delivered to county and city government offices and the Office of the Secretary of State.

Mail-in registrations: Voters who submit their applications by mail, either through the United States Post Office or a commercial delivery service, may be required to show identification at the polls the first time they vote. If you mail in the applications collected at a voter drive, please include a copy of your business card or contact information with the applications.

Additional information:

Who needs to register or re-register? Voters may register when they turn 18, and must re-register any time they change their name or move, including moving to a different apartment.

Postcard notification: Newly registered voters will receive a postcard telling them that they are registered and where they vote on Election Day. Any time a polling place changes, the registered voters of the precinct are notified with a new postcard.

Felony status: Applicants with a question on the status of a prior felony conviction should contact their probation officer to gain clarification. They should resolve their status question before completing a voter registration card until they know that their civil rights have been restored.

Pre-registration deadlines are at 5 p.m. 20 days prior to each election.

Challengers

M.S. 204C.07 Challengers

Subd. 1. Partisan elections. At an election to fill partisan offices, the chair of an authorized committee of each major political party may appoint by written certificate voters from that political party to act as challengers of voters at the polling place for each precinct. Only one challenger from each major political party for each precinct shall be allowed to remain in the polling place at one time.

Subd. 2. Nonpartisan elections. At an election to fill nonpartisan offices, each nonpartisan candidate may appoint by written certificate voters to act as challengers of voters at the polling place for each precinct. Only one challenger for each candidate shall be allowed to remain in the polling place for each precinct at one time.

Subd. 3. Elections on a question. At an election where a question is to be voted upon, the mayor of a city, or the school board of a school district, or the board of supervisors of a town, upon receiving a written petition signed by at least 25 eligible voters, shall appoint by written certificate one voter for each precinct in the municipality, or school district if applicable, to act as a challenger of voters in the polling place for that precinct.

Subd. 4. Restrictions on conduct. The election judges shall permit challengers appointed pursuant to this section to be present in the polling place during the hours of voting and to remain there until the votes are counted and the results declared. No challenger shall handle or inspect registration applications, files, or lists. Challengers shall not prepare in any manner any list of individuals who have or have not voted. They shall not attempt to influence voting in any manner. They shall not converse with a voter except to determine, in the presence of an election judge, whether the voter is eligible to vote in the precinct.

M.S. 204C.12 Challenges to a voter by a Challenger

Subd. 2 Statement of Grounds; Oath. A challenger must be a resident of this state. The secretary of state shall prepare a form that challengers must complete and sign when making a challenge. The form must include space to state the ground for the challenge, a statement that the challenge is based on the challenger's personal knowledge, and a statement that the challenge is made under oath. The form must include a space for the challenger's printed name, signature, telephone number, and address.

Sample letter - Show letter to the Chair Election Judge in each precinct you visit.

CHALLENGER LETTER

Election Date: _____

To Election Judges, City of Minneapolis:

_____ is authorized to represent

_____, **(candidate for office)**

_____, at this polling place.

I understand I am not to handle or inspect registration applications, files or lists, or prepare in any manner any list of individuals who have or have not voted, or attempt to influence voting in any manner, or converse with a voter except to determine, in the presence of an election judge whether the voter is eligible to vote in the precinct.
(MS204C.07 Subd. 4)

I am a resident of the State of Minnesota and understand that I shall complete a form for each challenge that I make to a voter's eligibility. *(MS204C.12 Subd. 2)*

I also understand that I shall not touch or interfere with ballots during the counting process at 8:00 PM. *(MS204C.19 Subd. 1)*

Signature of Challenger

Challenger's Address

Challenge's Phone Number

*Signature of Chair representing a major political party
or Signature of Candidate for Nonpartisan office*

Phone number of Chair or Candidate

Date

Important Telephone Numbers and Web Sites

City of Minneapolis Elections 612-673-2070
Fax 612-673-2756
TTY 612-673-2157
E-mail: Elections@ci.minneapolis.mn.us
Web: www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections

Hennepin County Elections 612-348-5151
Fax 612-348-9677
TTY 612-348-3461
E-mail: HC.Vote@co.hennepin.mn.us
Web: www.hennepin.us

Hennepin County Campaign Finance 612-596-7152
Fax 612-348-9677
E-mail: Campaign.Finance@co.hennepin.mn.us
Web: www.hennepin.us

Secretary of State Elections Office 651-215-1440
Fax 651-296-9073
TTY: Contact Minnesota Relay Service at 800-627-3529
and ask them to place a call to 651-215-1440.
Email: elections.dept@state.mn.us
Web: www.sos.state.mn.us/election

Office of Administrative Hearings 612-341-7600
Fax 612-349-2665
Web: www.oah.state.mn.us – Choose:
Information – Fair Campaign Process page

Political Parties: three major political parties in Minnesota

Democratic Farmer Labor	651-293-1200
Independence	612-827-6488
Republican	651-222-0022

Additional resources

Minneapolis Code of Ordinances
<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cityhall/laws/ordinances/>

MN Statutes & Rules on Campaigns & Election
<http://www.sos.state.mn.us/home/index.asp?page=224>