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STATE OF MICHIGAN
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2017 CITY ELECTION DATES
-- August Primary/November Election --

By 4:00 p.m., April 25	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates file nominating petitions and Affidavits of Identity. (168.644f) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on April 28.
By May 1	City clerk forwards names and addresses of partisan and nonpartisan candidates to county clerk. (168.321)
By May 2	Petitions to place proposals on ballot filed with city clerk. (168.646a)
May 5	Last day a recall petition can be filed for August election. (Recalls filed against Governor, state-level or countywide office only. Does not apply to local offices; see May calendar & November dates below for applicable deadlines.) (168.963)
By 4:00 p.m., May 16	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on primary election ballot certified to city clerk. (168.646a)
By June 24	Clerks shall electronically transmit or mail (as requested) an absent voter ballot to each absent UOCAVA (uniformed services or overseas) voter who applied for an absent voter ballot 45 days or more before the election (MOVE deadline.) (168.759a)
By June 24	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
June 29 through July 18	Precinct inspectors appointed by local election commission for primary election. (168.674)
By July 3	Notice of close of registration for primary published. (168.498)
July 10	Last day to register for primary. (168.497)

By 4:00 p.m., July 25	Minor parties that wish to participate in partisan city general elections nominate candidates. Parties must notify city clerk of nominated candidates within one business day after caucus (Party must have state recognized ballot status.) (168.644e)
By 4:00 p.m., July 28	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for August Primary Election. (168.737a)
By July 28	Pre-Primary Election Campaign Statements filed (closes July 23).
By August 1	Notice of primary election published. One notice required. (168.653a)
By August 1	Petitions to place questions on general election ballot filed with city clerks. (168.646a)
By August 3	Public accuracy test must be conducted by local election commission. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
August 4	Last day a recall petition can be filed for November election. (Local offices only face recall in May & November.) (168.963)
By 2:00 p.m., August 5	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for primary election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
By 4:00 p.m., August 7	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for primary election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., August 8	Emergency absentee voting for primary. (168.759b)
August 8	CITY PRIMARY ELECTION
Before 11:00 a.m., August 9	City clerk delivers results of primary to county clerk. (168.809)
By 5:00 p.m., August 9	Candidates without political party affiliation who seek a partisan city office file qualifying petitions and Affidavits of Identity. (168.590c) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on August 14.
By August 14	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass primary election. (168.821)
By 4:00 p.m., August 15	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on general election ballot certified to city clerk. (168.646a)
By August 17	City clerk forwards names and addresses of candidates without political party affiliation who seek a partisan city office to county clerk. (168.321)
By September 7	Post-Primary Election Campaign Statements filed (closes August 28).

By September 23	Clerks shall electronically transmit or mail (as requested) an absent voter ballot to each absent UOCAVA (uniformed services or overseas) voter who applied for an absent voter ballot 45 days or more before the election (MOVE deadline.) (168.759a)
By September 23	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
September 28 through October 17	Precinct inspectors appointed by local election commission for general election. (168.674)
By October 3	Notice of close of registration for general election published. (168.498)
October 10**	Last day to register for general election. (168.497)
By October 27	Pre-General Election Campaign Statements filed (closes Oct. 22)
By 4:00 p.m., October 27	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for general election. (168.737a)
By October 31	Notice of general election published. One notice required. (168.653a)
By November 2	Public accuracy test must be conducted by local election commission. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
By 2:00 p.m., November 4	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for general election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
Up to 4:00 p.m., November 6	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for general election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., November 7	Emergency absentee voting for general election. (168.759b)
November 7	CITY GENERAL ELECTION
Before 11:00 a.m., November 8	City clerk delivers results of general election to county clerk. (168.809)
By November 13	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass general election. (168.821)
By December 7	Post-General Election Campaign Statements filed (closes November 27).

** As the customary 30 day close of registration falls on a Sunday (October 8) and the following Monday is Columbus Day (October 9), the close of registration deadline moves forward to Tuesday, October 10.