




**CITY OF BLYTHE**  
**SPECIAL MEASURE ELECTION**  
**MAY 5, 2020**  
**(E.C. §§ 9200 et seq., 4000 et seq., 10002)**

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DATE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DESCRIPTION
Jan. 14	City Council	<p><i>ELECTION CALLED BY ORDINANCE</i></p> <p>On this date the Blythe City Council called a Special Municipal Election.</p>
Jan. 28 (14 days from the calling of the election)	City Attorney / City Clerk	<p><i>IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE (E.C. § 9280)</i></p> <p>The governing body may direct the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the measure to the City Attorney. This is the suggested date for City Attorney to prepare and submit analysis of measure showing the effect it will have on the existing law, etc., if so directed by the governing body. The analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters or by the governing body of the city. The analysis shall be printed in the Voter Information Guide section of the Sample Ballot preceding the arguments. The impartial analysis shall not exceed 500 words. In the event the entire text of the measure is not printed on the ballot or in the Voter Information Guide section of the sample ballot, there shall be immediately below the impartial analysis a statement notifying voters that they may obtain a copy of the ordinance or measure by calling the City Clerk's office and requesting one.</p> <p> <i>PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 9295)</i> There will be a 10-day exam period from January 29 through February 7.</p>
Jan. 28 (14 days from the calling of the election)	Proponents / Opponents / City Clerk	<p><i>LAST DAY TO FILE ARGUMENTS (E.C. §§ 9282, 9283, 9286, 9600)</i></p> <p>Last day to file arguments with the City Clerk regarding any measure to be on the ballot. Arguments shall not exceed 300 words and shall be accompanied by a Statement of Authors form. No more than five authors may sign the statement. City Clerk to forward a file copy of the arguments to the Registrar of Voters.</p> <p> <i>PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 9295)</i> There will be a 10-day exam period from January 29 through February 7.</p>
Feb. 7 (88)	City Council	<p><i>LAST DAY TO REQUEST CONSOLIDATION (E.C. §§ 10400, 10402, 10403)</i></p> <p>The Governing body must file a resolution with the Registrar of Voters no later than this date. Registrar of Voters will forward the resolution to the Board of Supervisors. The resolution calling the election must be adopted at the same time as the resolution requesting consolidation.</p>


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Feb. 7 (88)	City Clerk	<p><i>ORDINANCE/MEASURE (E.C. §§ 9222, 9223, 13247)</i></p> <p>Last day for a copy of the ordinance or measure to be submitted to the Registrar of Voters if a measure is to be included on the ballot. A copy shall be made available to any voter. The statement of all measures submitted to the voters shall be abbreviated on the ballot. The statement shall contain not more than 75 words for each measure to be voted on.</p>
Feb. 7 (88)	City Council	<p><i>BOUNDARY CHANGES (E.C. § 12262)</i></p> <p>Last day boundary changes may be made for this election.</p>
Feb. 7 (88)	City Clerk	<p><i>PUBLISH NOTICE OF ELECTION (E.C. § 12111; G.C. §§ 6060, 6061)</i></p> <p>The City Clerk shall publish a notice of election as soon as possible pursuant to section 12111 of the California Elections Code. A synopsis of the measure(s) shall be included in the publication. Government Code § 6061 requires the notice to be published once. The last day to submit arguments to the City Clerk should also be included in the notice.</p>
Feb. 7 (88)	City Clerk	<p><i>LAST DATE TO SUBMIT TAX-RATE STATEMENT (Applies to bond measures only) (E.C. § 9400 et seq.)</i></p> <p>In connection with a bond issue specified in E.C. § 9400, a statement shall be mailed to the voters with the County Voter Information Guide for the bond election.</p>
Feb. 7 (10 days from the primary argument deadline)	Proponents / Opponents / City Clerk	<p><i>LAST DAY TO FILE REBUTTALS TO ARGUMENTS (E.C. §§ 9285, 9600)</i></p> <p>Last day for authors of primary arguments to file rebuttals to arguments with the City Clerk. Rebuttals are limited to 250 words and shall be accompanied by a Statement of Authors form. No more than five authors may sign the statement. City Clerk to forward a file copy of the rebuttal arguments to the Registrar of Voters.</p> <p>NOTE: Rebuttals only apply when the legislative body has adopted provisions pursuant to E.C. § 9285.</p> <p> <i>PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 9295)</i>  There will be a 10-day exam period from February 8 through February 17.</p>
Feb. 12 (83)	City Council	<p><i>LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW MEASURE (E.C. § 9605)</i></p> <p>Whenever a legislative body has ordered that a measure be submitted to the voters of any jurisdiction at an election, the order of election shall not be amended or withdrawn after this date.</p>
Feb. 12	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY (CO. ORD. 358.8)</i></p> <p>The Registrar of Voters office will be closed.</p>
Feb. 17	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>PRESIDENTS' DAY (CO. ORD. 358.8)</i></p> <p>The Registrar of Voters office will be closed.</p>




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March 10 (56)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>ORDER PRINTING OF ELECTION MATERIAL</i></p> <p>Suggested date to prepare copy for printer and order ballots.</p>
March 22 – March 26 (44 – 40)	Committees / City Clerk	<p><i>FILING PERIOD FOR FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (G.C. §§ 84200.5, 84200.8)</i></p> <p>Filing period for 1<sup>st</sup> pre-election campaign statement covers transactions through March 21. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or first-class mail.</p>
March 23 (43)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>SATELLITE LOCATION PRESS RELEASE (E.C. § 3018)</i></p> <p>Notice of satellite locations shall be made by the elections official by the issuance of a general news release, issued not later than 14 days prior to voting at the satellite location, except that in a county with a declared emergency or disaster, notice shall be made not later than 48 hours prior to voting at the satellite location. The news release shall set forth the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> The satellite location or locations.</li> <li> The dates and hours the satellite location or locations will be open.</li> <li> A telephone number that voters may use to obtain information regarding vote-by-mail ballots and the satellite locations.</li> </ul>
April 6 – April 25 (29 – 10)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>MAIL OFFICIAL BALLOTS TO VOTERS (E.C. § 3020, 4100 et seq.)</i></p> <p>The Registrar of Voters shall mail official ballots to all qualified voters between these dates. Instructions for voting and all necessary materials for voting by mail shall be included. Registrar may also include a notice informing voters they may return the ballot by certified or registered mail.</p> <p>Voted ballots must be received by the elections official no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after election day to be counted.</p>
April 25 (10)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>PUBLISH NOTICE OF CENTRAL COUNTING PLACE (E.C. § 12109)</i></p> <p><i>Notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city.</i></p>

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April 18 (17)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>VOTE-BY-MAIL PROCESSING PUBLIC NOTICE (E.C. § 15104)</i></p> <p>The elections official shall notify vote-by-mail voter observers and the public at least 48 hours in advance of the dates, times, and places where vote-by-mail ballots will be processed and counted.</p>
April 19 – April 23 (16 – 12)	Committees / City Clerk	<p><i>FILING PERIOD FOR SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (G.C. §§ 84200.5, 84200.8)</i></p> <p>Filing period for 2<sup>nd</sup> pre-election campaign statement covers transactions through April 18. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service.</p>
April 20 (15)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>CLOSE OF REGISTRATION (E.C. §§ 2101, 2102)</i></p> <p>Last day to register or transfer registration for this election.</p>
April 21	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>PROCESS BALLOTS (E.C. § 15101 et. seq.)</i></p> <p>When ballots are to be counted by computer, the Registrar of Voters may begin processing ballots 10 business days prior to the election. No count may be made until 8:00 p.m. on election day.</p>
April 28 (7)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>LOGIC AND ACCURACY TESTING (E.C. § 15000)</i></p> <p>No later than seven days prior to any election, the elections official shall conduct a test or series of tests to ensure that every device used to tabulate ballots accurately records each vote.</p>
May 1 (4)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>MANUAL TALLY PUBLIC NOTICE (E.C. § 15360)</i></p> <p>The manual tally shall be a public process, with the official conducting the election providing at least a five-day public notice of the time and place of the manual tally and of the time and place of the selection of the precincts to be tallied prior to conducting the tally and selection.</p>
May 5		<p><i>ELECTION DAY</i></p> <p>Voted ballots must be received by the elections official no later than 8:00 p.m. on election day or be postmarked on or before election day and received no later than three days after election day to be counted. (E.C. §§ 3020, 4103)</p>
May 7 (+2)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>CANVASS ELECTION RETURNS (E.C. §§ 10260 et seq., 15301 et seq.)</i></p> <p>Registrar of Voters shall commence the official canvass on this day.</p>

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May 7 – May 29 (+2 – 24)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>ONE PERCENT MANUAL TALLY (E.C. § 15360)</i></p> <p>During the Official Canvass, the Elections Official shall conduct a public manual tally in 1 percent of the precincts chosen at random by the elections official.</p>
May 25	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>MEMORIAL DAY (CO. ORD. 358.8)</i></p> <p>The Registrar of Voters office will be closed.</p>
May 29 (+24)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>STATEMENT OF RESULTS (E.C. §§ 10262, 10263)</i></p> <p>No later than this date, the Registrar of Voters will certify the election results. As soon as the canvass is completed, the Registrar of Voters shall send a statement of the results of the election to the City Clerk.</p> <p>The statement shall show:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> The whole number of votes cast in the City.</li> <li> The measures voted upon.</li> <li> The number of votes given at each precinct for and against each measure.</li> </ul>
June 1 (+30)	Registrar of Voters	<p><i>COST OF ELECTION</i></p> <p>Approximate date to send invoice to jurisdiction for cost of election.</p>
July 31	Committees / City Clerk	<p><i>FILING PERIOD FOR SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (G.C. § 84200)</i></p> <p>Statement covers transactions through June 30. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or first-class mail.</p>

**Note: Whenever a date prescribed by law falls on a weekend or holiday, such act may be performed on the next business day (E.C. § 15; G.C. §§ 6700, 6701)**