

CANDIDATE HANDBOOK



2010

City of Eastvale Incorporation Election June 8, 2010

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**CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
June 8, 2010**

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NOTE TO CANDIDATES

This Candidate Handbook is intended to provide current and accurate information about the subject matter covered. It is distributed with the understanding that the Registrar of Voters does not render any legal advice and that this handbook is, therefore, not a substitute for legal counsel.

Unless otherwise indicated, the material given in this handbook is a summary rather than a verbatim text of the code sections cited.



To Contact the Registrar of Voters

The Registrar of Voters office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays. We will also be open on Friday, March 12, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For information or detailed explanations, please call the appropriate number listed below:

General Information	(951) 486-7200 or 1-800-773-VOTE
FAX	(951) 486-7272
Internet Website	www.voteinfo.net

Questions Regarding:

Vote-By-Mail Voting	(951) 486-7207
Campaign Disclosure	(951) 486-7212
Candidate Filing	(951) 486-7210, (951) 486-7212
Indexes and Mailing Labels	(951) 486-7340
Precincts / Maps	(951) 486-7338
Voter Registration	(951) 486-7200 or 1-800-773-VOTE (8683)
Polling Places / Election Officers	(951) 486-7341 or 1-877-663-9906 Toll Free
TTY (Text Telephone)	(951) 697-8966

DATES OF INTEREST TO CANDIDATES

DATE	DESCRIPTION
February 15 thru March 12	<p>Nomination Period (E.C. § 10220 et seq.)</p> <p>Between these dates candidates may obtain nomination material and file completed nomination documents with the Registrar of Voters.</p>
March 13	<p>Last Day to Withdraw Candidate Statement (E.C. §§ 13307, 13311)</p> <p>Last day to withdraw candidate statement. Request to withdraw candidate statement must be made in writing and submitted by 5:00 p.m. Candidate statements shall remain confidential until this date.</p>
March 13 thru March 22	<p>Election Material Available (Public Exam Period) (E.C. § 13313)</p> <p>During this period Candidate Statements are available for public inspection.</p>
March 18 (11:00 a.m.)	<p>Drawing of Randomized Alphabet (E.C. § 13112)</p> <p>Secretary of State will conduct a drawing of the alphabet for determining the order of candidates' names on the ballot.</p>
March 18 thru March 22	<p>Filing Period for First Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Statement (G.C. §§ 84200.5, 84200.7)</p> <p>Covers period ending March 17. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or first class mail.</p>
April 12	<p>First Day Forms will be Available for Write-In Candidacy (E.C. § 8600 et seq.)</p> <p>Any qualified person wishing to file as a write-in candidate may pick up papers beginning this date. Papers must be filed with the Registrar of Voters no later than 14 days prior to election day.</p>
April 29 thru May 29	<p>Period for Registrar of Voters to Mail Sample Ballots to Voters (E.C. §§ 13303,13307)</p>
May 10	<p>First Day to Apply for Vote-By-Mail Ballot (E.C. § 3001)</p> <p>Voters may apply by mail or in person at the Registrar of Voters office.</p>
May 23 thru May 27	<p>Filing Period for Second Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Statement (G.C. §§ 84200.5, 84200.7)</p> <p>Covers period ending May 22. Statement must be sent by personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service.</p>

DATES OF INTEREST TO CANDIDATES (Continued)

DATE	DESCRIPTION
May 24	Last Day to Register to Vote or Change Address for this Election (E.C. §§ 2106, 2107)
May 25	Last Day to File Statement of Write-In Candidacy (E.C. § 8600 et seq.)
June 1	Last Day of Regular Vote-By-Mail Ballot Application Period (E.C. § 3001 et seq.)
June 8 	<i>ELECTION DAY</i> The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m.
July 6	Statement of Results & Declare Candidates Elected (E.C. §§ 10262, 10263, 15372) No later than this date, the Registrar of Voters will certify the election results. If the incorporation is approved, the Registrar of Voters will issue certificates of election to the newly elected members of the City Council. Terms will depend on outcome of election, see Government Code §§ 57377 and 57379.
July 1 thru July 31	Filing Period for Semi-Annual Campaign Disclosure Statement (G.C. § 84200) Covers period ending June 30. Statement must be sent by personal delivery or first class mail.

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. § 6701)

NOTE TO CANDIDATES REGARDING INCOMPATIBLE OFFICES

The Political Reform Act does not prohibit any office holder from holding multiple public offices or seeking more than one elective office. For example, a deputy district attorney can hold the office of city council member, or a water board director may also be elected to a park and recreation district. There are, however, instances of holding more than one office that are considered incompatible.

There is no single statute that defines “incompatibility of offices.” The common law doctrine of incompatibility of offices, however, prevents an elected official from holding two offices simultaneously **if the offices have overlapping and conflicting public duties.**

The courts have defined this concept as follows: “One individual may not simultaneously hold two public offices where the functions of the offices concerned are inherently inconsistent, as where there are conflicting interests, or where the nature of the duties of the two offices is such as to render it improper due to considerations of public policy for one person to retain both.”

The State of California Attorney General’s Office has issued many opinions of particular compatibility questions. Here are six examples of incompatible offices:

1. The offices of city councilperson and school district board member where the city and the school district have territory in common;
2. Fire chief of a county fire protection district and member of the board of supervisors of the same county;
3. High school district trustee and trustee of an elementary school district which is wholly within the geographic boundaries of the high school district;
4. Water district director and a city council member;
5. Water district director and a school district trustee having territory in common; and
6. Deputy sheriff and county supervisor.

If you have a question about whether two public offices which you hold or seek to hold would be considered incompatible, contact the Attorney General’s office at (916) 322-3360 or visit their website, www.caag.state.ca.us. For further information about conflict of interest or incompatibility of offices, contact the Fair Political Practices Commission’s website at www.fppc.ca.gov, or phone toll free 1-866-275-3772.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

(Elections Code § 10220 et seq.)

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE:

A person who holds office as Councilmember, City Clerk, City Treasurer or Mayor must be at the time of assuming such office an elector of the city, and must have been a registered voter of the city at the time nomination papers were issued. In the case of councilmembers elected by district, the councilmember must also reside in the appropriate district and have resided there at the time nomination papers were issued. (Government Code §§ 34882, 34904, 36502)

Nomination documents include:

- APPLICATION/CHECK LIST FOR NOMINATION PAPERS
- OFFICIAL FILING FORM
- BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET
- NOMINATION PETITION
- CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FORM
- CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (filing optional)
- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
- CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE FORMS

Candidates should carefully read the instructions on the nomination form. The required information must be neatly printed or typed. No filing fee is required.

**The filing deadline is Friday, March 12, 2010, 5 p.m.
file with the Registrar of Voters,
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507-0918**

**Office Hours Monday—Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00
p.m., and Friday, March 12, 2010, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00
p.m.**

Friday, March 12th, 2010

12th
12th

Filing on time is the candidate's responsibility. Whether you file in person or by certified mail, your Nomination Papers and any other documents you are filing with it must be received by the Registrar of Voters no later than the filing deadline.

No candidate whose declaration of candidacy has been filed for any primary election may withdraw as a candidate at that primary election.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE (Continued)

NAME ON BALLOT:

There is a place on the Official Filing Form for you to write how you would like your name to appear on the ballot. Your name must be recognizable as the name under which you are registered to vote, though the two need not be identical. You may include a nickname in addition to your name. The law prohibits the use of a TITLE or DEGREE on the same line of the ballot as the candidate's name. (E.C. § 13106)

Example:

A candidate registered to vote as James William Smith may use variations such as:

James W. Smith, Jim Smith, or William "Bud" Smith

BALLOT DESIGNATION (E.C. §§ 13104, 13107):

You may use no more than three words designating your current principal profession, vocation or occupation **OR** the principal profession, vocation or occupation you had during the 12 months immediately preceding the filing of your nomination documents. (e.g. Retired Businessman/Author) **OR**:

The title of the office to which you were elected. (e.g. Sunnyvale Valley Water District Director) (**NOTE**: you are not limited to three words here) **OR**:

The word "Incumbent" if elected to the same office you seek or "Appointed Incumbent" if appointed to a vacancy in the same office. (**NOTE**: You cannot use the term "Incumbent" or "Appointed Incumbent" with any other designation.)

Example: Incumbent/Businessman (**Not Acceptable**)

A ballot designation is not required. Candidates may leave this line blank. If the ballot designation is left blank, the candidate may not add a designation after the filing deadline.

BALLOT DESIGNATION RESTRICTIONS (E.C. § 13107):

The election official shall not accept a designation that:

1. Would mislead the voter. You may be required to provide evidence or documentation to support the requested designation.
2. Would suggest an evaluation of a candidate, such as outstanding, leading, expert, virtuous, or eminent.

Examples of ballot designations usually considered to suggest an evaluation are "Best," "Exalted," "Prominent," "Advocate," "Activist," "Reformer," "Pro-" and "Anti-" or anything conveying a philosophy or words connoting a status.

Unacceptable status claims would include "Taxpayer," "Citizen," "Patriot," "Renter," or "Presidential Appointee." "Housewife" and "Househusband" are also unacceptable designations.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE (Continued)

3. Abbreviates the word “retired” or places it following any word or words which it modifies.

Examples of **Impermissible** designations are “Ret. Teacher” or “Teacher Retired.”

4. Uses a word or prefix, such as “former” or “ex-,” which means a prior status. The only **EXCEPTION** is the use of the word “retired.”

Example of an **acceptable** designation – “Retired Businessman”

Because the Elections Code specifically forbids the use of a prior profession, vocation or occupation, unless the candidate is retired therefrom, candidates may be required to provide substantiating evidence or documentation in support of the requested designation.

5. Uses the name of any political party, whether or not it has qualified for the ballot.
6. Uses a word or words referring to a racial, religious, or ethnic group.
7. Refers to any activity that is prohibited by law.

If you have any questions regarding your designation, call the Registrar of Voters at: (800) 773-VOTE (8683) or (951) 486-7212 or (951) 486-7210.

Each candidate who submits a ballot designation shall file a ballot designation worksheet that supports the use of that ballot designation. The ballot designation worksheet shall be filed at the same time that the candidate files his or her declaration of candidacy. In the event that a candidate fails to file a ballot designation worksheet, no designation shall appear under the candidate’s name on the ballot.

The OATH must be witnessed by an authorized official – Registrar of Voters (or a person designated by the Registrar of Voters), or a candidate may have his/her oath witnessed by a notary public.

On the PETITION portion of the OFFICIAL FILING FORM you must obtain the signatures of not less than 20 nor more than 30 qualified voters. You should submit the maximum number. **E.C. § 10221 requires that all signatures be appended on the same sheet of paper.**

The PETITION may be circulated by the candidate himself/herself or by any other qualified voter. Whomever circulates the petition must witness all signatures and then complete and sign the Declaration of Circulator, under penalty of perjury.

A SIGNER may sign as many petitions as the number of persons for which he/she may vote. Any registered voter of the jurisdiction, including the candidate and/or the circulator may sign a nomination petition.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE (Continued)

Filing on time is the candidate's responsibility. Whether the candidate files in person or by certified mail, the nomination form and any other documents he/she is filing with it must be **received in the Registrar of Voters office** no later than the filing deadline.

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY is not permitted.

PLEASE NOTE: See CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT, STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES and CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE sections in this Handbook for other documents to be filed during the nomination period.

AFFIDAVIT OF NOMINEE & OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF NOMINEE

City:	Proposed City of Eastvale
Issued by:	Leticia Flores
	SIGNATURE
	Deputy
	TITLE
Date:	2/16/10

AFFIDAVIT OF NOMINEE

State of California }
County of Riverside } ss.

SAMPLE

I, Mary J. Jones, under penalty of perjury, state that I am a nominee for the office of Member of the City Council, Proposed City of Eastvale

Ward or Councilmanic District N/A Full Term Short Term

I will accept the office in the event of my election to this office at the election to be held on June 8, 2010

I desire my name to appear on the ballot as follows: Mary J. Jones

PRINT OR TYPE YOUR NAME

and I desire the following designation to appear on the ballot under my name:

Businesswoman

(Print or type your principal profession(s), vocation(s), or occupation(s), in 3 words or less; or the name of the elective public office you hold or "Incumbent". If you leave this space blank, no designation will appear on the ballot.)

Mary J. Jones

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE

5555 Hope Avenue, Eastvale, CA 93333

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: NUMBER, STREET, CITY & ZIP

P.O. Box 333, Eastvale, CA 93333

MAILING ADDRESS, IF DIFFERENT

(951) 444-4444 (951) 888-8888 (951) 222-2222
DAY TELEPHONE NUMBER EVENING TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX

EMAIL ADDRESS: businessgenius@aol.com

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF NOMINEE

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of California; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties upon which I am about to enter.

State of California }
County of Riverside } ss.

Mary J. Jones

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of March, 20 10

Leticia Flores

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER ADMINISTERING OATH

Deputy

TITLE OF OFFICER ADMINISTERING OATH

ALL ITEMS IN THIS BOX ARE TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE CANDIDATE

NOMINATION PETITION
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MUNICIPAL

We, the undersigned voters of the Proposed City of Eastvale, hereby
 nominate Mary J. Jones for the office of Member of the City Council

Full Term Short Term of said City, to be voted on at the election to be held on June 8, 2010
 DATE OF ELECTION

NAME		RESIDENCE ADDRESS	FOR OFFICE USE
1	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
	PRINT	CITY ZIP	
2	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
	PRINT	CITY ZIP	
3	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
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4	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
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16	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
	PRINT	CITY ZIP	

SAMPLE

IMPORTANT! Turn to reverse side for signatures spaces 17-30 and Affidavit of Circulator, which must be filled out. →

OFFICE USE ONLY
NO. OF VALID SIGNATURES _____

	NAME	RESIDENCE ADDRESS	FOR OFFICE USE
17	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
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18	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
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30	SIGN	NO. & STREET	
	PRINT	CITY ZIP	

SAMPLE

State of California } ss. **DECLARATION OF CIRCULATOR (IN CIRCULATOR'S OWN HAND)**
 County of Riverside }

I, _____, solemnly swear (or affirm) that the signatures on this nomination paper were
 PRINTED NAME OF CIRCULATOR

obtained between _____, 20____, and _____, 20____
 that I circulated this petition and I witnessed the signatures on this section of the nomination papers being written; and that, to the best
 of my information and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

My residence and voting address is _____

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that this declaration is true and correct.

Executed on _____, 20____ at _____

Signature of Circulator _____
 (INCLUDE FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAME)

BALLOT DESIGNATION WORKSHEET

(Elections Code § 13107.5)

Each candidate who submits a ballot designation shall file a ballot designation worksheet that supports the use of that ballot designation by the candidate.

The ballot designation worksheet shall be filed with the Registrar of Voters at the same time that the candidate files his or her Official Filing Form.

In the event that a candidate fails to file a ballot designation worksheet no designation shall appear under the candidate's name on the ballot.

Ballot Designation Worksheet

Candidate Information

Candidate Name: Mary J. Jones

Office: Member of the City Council, Proposed City of Eastvale Party: N/A

Home Address: 5555 Hope Avenue, Eastvale, CA 93333 E-Mail: businessgenius@aol.com

Business Address: _____

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 333, Eastvale, CA 93333

Phone Number(s) Business: (951) 444-4444 Evening: (951) 888-8888 Fax: (951) 222-2222

Attorney Information

Attorney Name (or other person authorized to act in your behalf): _____

Address: _____

Home Address: _____ E-Mail: _____

Business Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number(s) Business: _____ Evening: _____ Fax: _____

Proposed Ballot Designation: Businesswoman

1st Alternative: Business Owner

2nd Alternative: Parent

Describe what you do and why you believe you are entitled to use the requested ballot designation. If using the title of an elective office, you may submit a copy of your certificate of election or appointment.

I own a CPA firm that I have managed for the last 10 years. I am also the mother of 7 children.

Job Title: Owner Dates in Position: 1/1/1999 to Present

Employer Name or Business: Eastvale CPA's

Person(s) who can verify this information:

Name(s): Bob Smith Phone Number: 951-444-4444

Name(s): _____ Phone Number: _____

Candidate's Signature Mary J. Jones Dated 23/12/2010

You may attach any documents or exhibits that you believe support your proposed ballot designation. These documents will not be returned to you, so **do not submit originals.**

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT
(Elections Code §§ 13307, 13309, 13311, 18351)

Each candidate may prepare a Candidate's Statement on an appropriate form provided by the Registrar of Voters. The Candidate's Statement is intended to acquaint voters with a candidate's qualifications for office. The voluntary Candidate's Statement is printed in the sample ballot pamphlet, at the candidate's expense, and will be mailed to all registered voters eligible to vote for that particular candidate.

Time period for filing: The filing period for candidates is February 15, 2010 through March 12, 2010, at 5:00 p.m. **The Candidate's Statement Form must be filed with the nomination papers.**

Where: Registrar of Voters
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507-0918

Contents: The statement may contain the name, age, and occupation of the candidate and a brief description in no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications as expressed by the candidate. The spacing is to be uniform and conform to the guidelines provided.

Restrictions: The Candidate's Statement shall not include the party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. It must be a statement expressed in the candidate's own words. Any statement containing false information may be punishable by a fine. In addition to these restrictions the candidate's statement is limited to recitation of the candidate's own personal background and qualifications and prohibits any reference to other candidates for office or to another candidate's qualifications, character, or activities.

Withdrawal: The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 5:00 p.m. of the next business day after the close of the nomination period. Any request for withdrawal of a Candidate's Statement must be submitted in writing.

Confidentiality of Statements: Notwithstanding any other provision of law, statements filed pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code shall remain confidential until expiration of the filing deadline. Statements will then be available for public inspection.

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT (Continued)

The candidate must decide prior to filing the nomination documents if he/she wants to submit a statement. A statement cannot be submitted after nomination papers have been filed. The Candidate Statement form with the candidate's decision must be filed at the time nomination papers are filed. A Statement, however, may be withdrawn up to 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the nomination period closes.

Before the nomination period begins, the governing body must adopt regulations stating whether the county or the candidate will pay the cost of the Candidate's Statement. Candidates for the proposed City of Eastvale will be required to submit a deposit of **\$525**.

A candidate wishing to submit a Candidate's Statement must pay the full deposit to cover the estimated cost of printing, handling and mailing of his/her statement. The deposit must be paid at the time the Candidate's Statement is filed (payment must be by check payable to the Registrar of Voters). No cash will be accepted.

If, after the statements are printed and mailed out, the actual cost to each candidate is found to be **greater** than the deposit, then the candidate must pay the extra amount. Every candidate who submits a statement must sign an agreement on the front of the Candidate's Statement form to pay if billed.

On the other hand, if the actual cost to each candidate turns out to be **less** than the deposit, that portion of the deposit in excess of the actual cost will be refunded. Refunds will be made within 30 days after the election.

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT (Continued)

Please note that the estimate provided is as close to the actual cost as possible. The estimate is calculated based on the method of our printing service.

The Elections Code provides that the Candidate's Statement may include the age and occupation of the candidate and a brief statement in not more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed in the candidates own words ("Age" may be omitted, and the "occupation" is not limited to three words on the Candidate's Statement form). However, the Candidate's use of the same designation as used on the ballot provides for consistency.

Some points to note in preparing the Candidate's Statement:

1. Candidates may not change their statements after they are filed.
2. Reference to political party affiliation or partisan political activity is not permitted.
3. Making a false statement of material fact with the intent to mislead the voters is punishable by a fine of up to \$1000.
4. A candidate who makes false, slanderous or libelous statements in the Candidate's Statement is not exempt from civil or criminal action.

The 200-word limit must be observed. Candidates must count the words carefully. Read the word count guide on the front side of the form. The Registrar of Voters will verify the count when the statement is filed and indicate the number of words in the space provided on the form.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT STYLE GUIDELINES:

- Statements will be printed in uniform type, style, and spacing.
- Words to be printed all CAPITALIZED and/or underscored are to be clearly indicated.
- **Bold** font is not permitted.
- The Registrar of Voters is not permitted to edit any material contained in candidate statements. Candidates are responsible for proofreading spelling, punctuation and grammar. Since the statement cannot be changed after it is submitted, it is important for candidates to carefully prepare and proofread their statements.

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT (Continued)



IMPORTANT NOTE:

Candidates should be aware that statements submitted may be re-formatted to fit in the sample ballot pamphlet.

The Registrar of Voters will **NOT** correct spelling or grammatical errors of text.

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT

TO THE CANDIDATE:

The Candidate's Statement is optional. Indicate your decision below and return this form with your Nomination Documents.

- I do not wish to submit a Candidate's Statement. _____
CANDIDATE'S INITIALS
- I am submitting my Candidate's Statement (on the back of this form).



TO CANDIDATE SUBMITTING A CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT:

Please check below concerning payment of Candidate's Statement deposit.

- Riverside County required deposit of **\$525.00** is submitted herewith.

I understand that I must pay **my pro rata share of the actual cost**. I agree that if my pro rata share exceeds the deposit, I will pay the difference when billed.

- I request a waiver of the deposit on the grounds of indigence. My Statement of Financial Worth is submitted herewith. (Form available from the Registrar of Voters)

I am aware that if notified that indigent status is not granted, I must pay the deposit within three days of notification or my Candidate's Statement will not be printed.

Further, I am aware that if indigent status is granted, I am excused only from payment of the deposit. I will be required to pay **my pro rata share of the actual cost**, and I agree to do so when billed.

WORD COUNT (Elections Code § 9)	
Punctuation	free
Dictionary words and single characters	one
Each abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression	one
Geographical place names	one
Whole numbers: Digits (1 or 10 or 100, etc.) Spelled out (one or ten or one hundred)	one one for each word
Dates: All digits (5/30/02) Words and Digits (May 30, 2002)	one two
Hyphenated words (unless dictionary defined as one word)	one for each word
Phone Number	one
Internet Address	one

NAME OF OFFICE SOUGHT: Member of the City Council

(DIRECTOR, SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, CITY COUNCIL, MAYOR, ETC.)

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- DIVISION
- TRUSTEE AREA (IF ANY) N/A FULL TERM SHORT TERM

JURISDICTION: Proposed City of Eastvale

NAME OF DISTRICT, SCHOOL, CITY, ETC.

OCCUPATION: Business Owner / Artist **AGE:** 50

(OPTIONAL)

(OPTIONAL)

CANDIDATE: Mary "Mimi" Jones Mary Jones

PRINTED NAME

SIGNATURE

In 200 words or less briefly state your Education and Qualifications:

Multi-County *Yes No (* If yes check with shared County regarding cost.)

Eastvale has been my home for 40 years, and I promise to keep our community safe, fiscally sound, and crime free. I am a successful businesswoman, community volunteer, and a parent of seven children. In other words, I have all the experience necessary to be a city council member of Eastvale. By voting for me, you are voting for a bright successful future.

My experience as a businesswoman has taught me how to manage finances, balance budgets, and manage staff. My experience as a community volunteer has given me insight to areas that need improvement in our city. Finally, my experience as a mother of seven children has taught me how to be compassionate to the needs of others.

Please make the right choice on Election Day! Vote for Mary Jones.

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STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

(Government Code § 87200 et seq.)

Persons elected to city offices will be required to file periodic statements disclosing their “economic interests,” which include investments, interests in real property, and any income received during the immediately preceding 12 months. Exactly what must be disclosed is specified in the Government Code.

For the offices of Member of the City Council, Mayor, and City Treasurer, **candidates** as well as officeholders are required by the Government Code to file Statements of Economic Interests. This statement shall not be required if the candidate has filed, within 60 days prior to the filing of his or her declaration of candidacy, a statement for the same jurisdiction. City candidates should obtain forms and filing information from the Registrar of Voters.

Statements of Economic Interests are a matter of public record. They may be inspected by anyone, and copies may be purchased from the filing officer at 10 cents per page. (G.C. § 81008)

In the event a statement is filed after the prescribed deadline, the law provides for a \$10 per day late filing penalty, up to a maximum of \$100.

CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

(Elections Code § 20400 et seq.)

The Code of Fair Campaign Practices is to be issued to all candidates; however, filing it is optional. Candidates who want to subscribe to it may fill out the form included with the nomination documents and return it along with the other nomination material (or the candidate may file the Code at a later date). It may be filed at any time up to Election Day.

All Codes filed by candidates will be available for public inspection at the Registrar of Voters office until 30 days after the election.

PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES
As found in Chapter 5 of Division 20 of the
California Elections Code

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Chapter 5. Fair Campaign Practices
Article 1. General Intent

20400. The Legislature declares that the purpose of this chapter is to encourage every candidate for public office in this state to subscribe to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices.

It is the ultimate intent of the Legislature that every candidate for public office in this state who subscribes to the Code of Fair Campaign Practices will follow the basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play in order that, after vigorously contested, but fairly conducted campaigns, the citizens of this state may exercise their constitutional right to vote, free from dishonest and unethical practices which tend to prevent the full and free expression of the will of the voters.

The purpose in creating the Code of Fair Campaign Practices is to give voters guidelines in determining fair play and to encourage candidates to discuss issues instead of untruths or distortions.

Article 2. Definitions

20420. As used in this chapter, "Code" means the Code of Fair Campaign Practices.

Article 3. Code of Fair Campaign Practices

20440. At the time an individual is issued his or her declaration of candidacy, nomination papers, or any other paper evidencing an intention to be a candidate for public office, the elections official shall give the individual a blank form of the code and a copy of this chapter. The elections official shall inform each candidate for public office that subscription to the code is voluntary.

In the case of a committee making an independent expenditure, as defined in Section 82031 of the Government Code, the Secretary of State shall provide a blank form and a copy of this chapter to the individual filing, in accordance with Title 9 (commencing with Section 81000) of the Government Code, an initial campaign statement on behalf of the committee.

The text of the code shall read, as follows: (see reverse)

20441. The Secretary of State shall print, or cause to be printed, blank forms of the code. The Secretary of State shall supply the forms to the elections officials in quantities and at times requested by the elections officials.

20442. The elections official shall accept, at all times prior to the election, all completed forms that are properly subscribed to by a candidate for public office and shall retain them for public inspection until 30 days after the election.

20443. Every code subscribed to by a candidate for public office pursuant to this chapter is a public record open for public inspection.

20444. In no event shall a candidate for public office be required to subscribe to or endorse the code.

Chapter 6. Libel and Slander

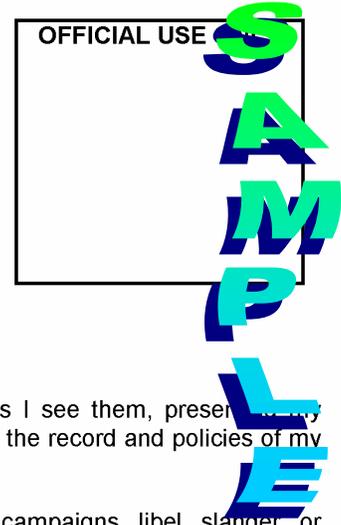
20500. The provisions of Part 2 (commencing with Section 43) of Division 1 of the Civil Code, relating to libel and slander, are fully applicable to any campaign advertising or communication.

20501. (a) A candidate or state measure proponent is liable for any slander or libel committed by a committee that is controlled by that candidate or state measure proponent as defined by Section 82016 of the Government Code if the candidate or state measure proponent willfully and knowingly directs or permits the libel or slander.

(b) A person who is a sponsor of a sponsored committee, as defined by Section 82048.7 of the Government Code, is liable for any slander or libel committed by the sponsored committee if the sponsor willfully and knowingly directs or permits the libel or slander.

“CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES”

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of California has a moral obligation to observe and uphold in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their constitutional right to a free and untrammled choice and the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.



THEREFORE:

- (1) **I SHALL CONDUCT** my campaign openly and publicly, discussing the issues as I see them, presenting my record and policies with sincerity and frankness, and criticizing without fear or favor the record and policies of my opponents or political parties which merit this criticism.
- (2) **I SHALL NOT USE OR PERMIT** the use of character defamation, whispering campaigns, libel, slander, or scurrilous attacks on any candidate or his or her personal or family life.
- (3) **I SHALL NOT USE OR PERMIT** any appeal to negative prejudice based on a candidate's actual or perceived race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, age, sexual orientation, sex, including gender identity, or any other characteristic set forth in Section 12940 of the Government Code, or association with another person who has any of the actual or perceived characteristics set forth in Section 12940 of the Government Code.
- (4) **I SHALL NOT USE OR PERMIT** any dishonest or unethical practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections, or that hampers or prevents the full and free expression of the will of the voters including acts intended to hinder or prevent any eligible person from registering to vote, enrolling to vote, or voting.
- (5) **I SHALL NOT** coerce election help or campaign contributions for myself or for any other candidate from my employees.
- (6) **I SHALL IMMEDIATELY AND PUBLICLY REPUDIATE** support deriving from any individual or group that resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of my opponent, to the methods and tactics that I condemn. I shall accept responsibility to take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this code or the laws governing elections.
- (7) **I SHALL DEFEND AND UPHOLD** the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of California or treasurer or chairperson of a committee making any independent expenditures, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices.

March 12, 2010
DATE OF SIGNING

Mary J. Jones
SIGNATURE

Mary J. Jones
PRINTED NAME

Member of the City Council, Proposed City of Eastvale
OFFICE SOUGHT (INCLUDING DISTRICT/DIVISION IF APPLICABLE)

June 8, 2010
DATE OF ELECTION

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE (Government Code § 81000 et seq.)

State law requires candidates (and their committees, if any) to file one or more **Campaign Statements** disclosing their campaign receipts and expenditures in connection with an election. If a campaign committee has been organized supporting a candidate, the committee must file a Statement of Organization (Form 410).

CANDIDATE INTENTION STATEMENT (FORM 501)

Candidates must file with the Registrar of Voters a Candidate's Intention Statement (Form 501), **before** they solicit or receive any contributions (including loans). Payment from the Candidate's personal funds for a Candidate's Filing Fee or a Candidate's Statement does not count as a "contribution" or "loan." However, all other expenses from the candidate's personal funds are considered contributions.

STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION (FORM 410)

Candidates receiving contributions from others, or who spend more than \$1000 of personal funds to run for office, must open a campaign bank account at a financial institution in California and mail a Statement of Organization (Form 410) to the Secretary of State within 10 days of opening the account.

Exceptions: The Statement of Organization (Form 410) is not required if the candidate will not be receiving contributions from others and will spend less than \$1000 in a calendar year from personal funds to support his or her candidacy. Payment of a Candidate's Filing Fee or Candidate's Statement is not counted toward the \$1000 expenditure threshold.

Note: If the candidate finds later that he/she will be spending more than \$1000 from personal funds, a campaign bank account must be opened.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

All candidates must file campaign disclosure statements. This includes candidates who spend no money, or only their own money, on their campaigns. It also includes candidates who unofficially "withdraw" from the race by abandoning active campaigning after the official deadline for withdrawal of candidacy is past.

If less than \$1000 will be raised and spent on the campaign, by the candidate or by others on his/her behalf, and total campaign transactions for the entire calendar year are under \$1000, the filing obligations in connection with the election are simple; the only campaign statement that must be filed is Form 470 (in duplicate). It should be filed along with the other nomination material; however, it will be accepted without penalty if filed by the first campaign disclosure filing deadline.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE (Continued)

Form 470 Supplement

An officeholder/candidate who has filed Form 470 in connection with an election and subsequently receives contributions (including monetary and non-monetary contributions, loans, and the candidate's personal funds) totaling \$1,000 or more or makes expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more prior to the election, is required to send written notification to the Registrar of Voters and to each candidate contending for the same office. The notification must be sent within 48-hours of receiving contributions totaling \$1,000 or more or making expenditures of \$1,000 or more. The notification must include the name and address of the candidate, the elective office, and the date of election for which the Form 470 was filed and the date contributions or expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more were received or made. The Form 470 Supplement may be used as the written notification.

If campaign activity during 2010 will involve \$1000 or more, the candidate cannot use Form 470. Instead, the Registrar of Voters must issue the candidate copies of Form 460 and Form 410. The candidate (and committee treasurer, if any) should review this handbook carefully and note the filing deadlines, which apply to his/her campaign.

STATEMENT OF TERMINATION

When the candidate and committee, if any, have ended all campaign activity, Form 410 Statement of Organization/Termination may be filed. There is no deadline for terminating a committee. The Statement of Organization/Termination should be filed after the election, if and when appropriate.

FUTURE CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE FILING OBLIGATIONS

Form 410 Statement of Organization/Termination must be filed in order to terminate filing obligations of a **candidate or committee**. Until it is filed, the candidate or committee will remain indefinitely in an open status, even after the election is over, **and will be required to file semiannual campaign statements whether or not there was any activity during the applicable six-month period**. It is the responsibility of the candidate or committee to obtain campaign disclosure filing information and comply with filing requirements **(the \$10 per day late filing penalty applies if filing deadlines are not met)**.

If elected to office, the candidate will continue to have campaign filing obligations **as an officeholder** whether or not a Statement of Organization/Termination was filed. An officeholder who receives \$100 or more per month from the elective office must file semiannual statements; an officeholder receiving less than \$100 is required to file if he/she has any political contributions or expenditures to report.

Note: Candidate's who File the **Form 470** (Short Form) do not need to fill out termination forms.

The Riverside County Registrar of Voters introduced Electronic Campaign Disclosure Filing on January 2, 2008. Candidates and Committees can now file many campaign disclosure documents electronically. To access the system, open the web page at www.voteinfo.net, go to the Helpful Links tab, and click the Electronic Campaign Disclosure link. Then click the Filer Access Portal and this will take you to the login screen. You will need a username and password to access the system. If you have any questions, please consult the user's guide which is available in the left hand menu after your successful login, or call our office at (951) 486-7200.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE (Continued)

Money used from the candidate's personal funds is considered a monetary contribution (or loan) to the campaign and must be reported just as if it were a monetary contribution (or loan) from another person.

Contributions from other persons may not be comingled with the candidate's personal funds. As soon as such contributions are received, they must be deposited in a campaign account (the law prohibits personal use of campaign funds).

Anonymous or cash contributions of \$100 or more, and cash expenditures of \$100 or more, are prohibited.

Careful and complete records should be kept of all campaign transactions. Detailed reporting is not required until the campaign reaches the \$1000 mark; however, candidates should keep in mind that campaign records are subject to audit (by the Fair Political Practices Commission) on a random basis.

There is a special reporting requirement (covered in the FPPC Information Manual) in the event of "late contributions" in the amount of \$1000 or more received or made during the 16 days immediately prior to Election Day. Candidates should refer to the Information Manual for special reporting requirements in the event of committee changes during this period.

If the candidate has a campaign committee, the candidate and committee may file campaign statements jointly, using Form 460. It is important for the treasurer to be aware of his/her responsibilities and to be prepared to devote sufficient time and effort to the job. He/she should be aware that the treasurer is legally responsible for the accuracy and completeness of a committee's campaign statement.

Note: In addition to filing campaign statements, a committee is required to file a Statement of Organization (Form 410) within 10 days of reaching the \$1000 limit.

Where to File the Statement of Organization (Form 410):

Original and one copy - Secretary of State
Political Reform Division
1500 11th Street, Room 495
Sacramento, CA 95814

One Copy – Registrar of Voters

If a committee qualifies as a recipient committee during the 16 days prior to an election in which it would be required to file pre-election statements, the committee must file, by overnight service, fax or personal delivery **within 24 hours** of qualifying as a committee, the information required to be reported in the Statement of Organization. The information must be filed with the filing officer with whom the committee is required to file the originals of its Campaign Statements.

FILING SCHEDULE FOR LOCAL OFFICES JUNE 8, 2010 CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION

Candidates for Local Office Committees Primarily Formed to Support/Oppose Local Candidates Committees Primarily Formed to Support/Oppose Local Measures Being Voted on June 8, 2010

<i>Filing Deadline</i>	<i>Period</i>	<i>Form</i>	<i>Notes</i>
Feb 1, 2010 Semi-Annual	1/1/09 or 7/1/09 – 12/31/09	460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File by personal delivery or first class mail. The January 31 deadline falls on Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.
Mar 22, 2010 Pre-Election	1/1/10 – 3/17/10	460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File by personal delivery or first class mail.
May 27, 2010 Pre-Election	3/18/10 – 5/22/10	460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File by personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service only.
Within 24 Hours Late Reports	5/23/10 – 6/7/10	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File by personal delivery, guaranteed overnight service, or fax. 496: File if independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more are made. See note below. Do not file for expenditures on your committee's behalf. 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more is received. 497: File if a contribution of \$1,000 or more is made to <i>another</i> candidate or <i>another</i> measure being voted on June 8 or made to a political party committee. The recipient of a late in-kind contribution must file a late contribution report within 48 hours from the time the in-kind or non-monetary contribution is received.
Aug 2, 2010 Semi-Annual	5/23/10 – 6/30/10	460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File by personal delivery or first class mail. The July 31 deadline falls on Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.

- **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- A controlled committee of a candidate may not make an independent expenditure to support or oppose another candidate.
- Local jurisdictions may impose contribution limits and additional filing requirements.
- **Primarily Formed Ballot Measure Committees:** Prior to the semi-annual period in which the measure(s) supported or opposed is being voted on, committees must file quarterly campaign statements in addition to semi-annual statements. Following the election, quarterly statements may also be required. Contact the FPPC for specific information.
- **Form 470:** Candidates that did not have a committee or raise/spend \$1,000 in 2009, may file Form 470 on February 1, 2010. Form 470 can not be filed for other deadlines if the candidate has a committee or has raised/spent \$1,000 or more in 2010. After filing a Form 470, if the candidate raises/spends \$1,000 or more in 2010, see *Campaign Manual 2*, Chapter 4 for additional required filings.
- **Candidates:** Contact the FPPC for revised reporting deadlines in the event of a runoff election. After an election, reporting requirements will depend on whether the candidate is successful and whether a campaign committee is maintained.
- **Late Statements:** Except for deadlines that fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, filing deadlines may not be extended. Late statements are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- All statements are public documents. Paper reports may be mailed by first class mail unless otherwise noted.
- For important information refer to www.fppc.ca.gov and click on the Candidates and Committees section. Use *Campaign Manual 2* and *Campaign Manual 3*.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

(Elections Code § 16)

The complete text of Government Code § 84305 is required by law to be issued to each candidate. Summaries of some other code sections concerning campaign practices, as well as information concerning political signs, are also provided below for the benefit of candidates and campaign committees.

MASS MAILING (Government Code § 84305)

- (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), no candidate or committee shall send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type which shall be in a color or print which contrasts with the background so as to be easily legible. A post office box may be stated in lieu of a street address if the organization's address is a matter of public record with the Secretary of State.
- (b) If the sender of the mass mailing is a single candidate or committee, the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee need only be shown on the outside of each piece of mail.
- (c) If the sender of a mass mailing is a controlled committee, the name of the person controlling the committee shall be included in addition to the information required by subdivision (a).

No newsletter or other mass mailing shall be sent at public expense. For further information contact the Fair Political Practices Commission. (Government Code § 89001)

(As defined in Government Code § 82041.5 "Mass Mailing" means over two hundred substantially similar pieces of mail, but does not include a form letter or other mail which is sent in response to an unsolicited request, letter or other inquiry.)

SLATE MAILER ORGANIZATIONS (Government Code §§ 82048.3, 82048.4, 84108)

Slate mailer organizations must register with the Secretary of State and file periodic reports on their slate mailer activities. The law applies to slate mailers that support or oppose four or more candidates or measures.

A slate mailer organization is defined as any individual or group who, directly or indirectly, does all of the following:

- Is involved in the production of one or more slate mailers and exercises control over the selection of the candidates and measures to be supported or opposed in the slate mailers; and
- Receives or is promised payments totaling \$500 or more in a calendar year for the production of one or more slate mailers.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

NOMINATIONS (E.C. §§ 18200-18205)

No person shall submit a nomination paper knowing that any part of it has been made falsely. No person shall fraudulently deface or destroy, or willfully suppress all or part of any nomination paper, or deliberately fail to file at the proper time and in the proper place any nomination paper in his or her possession that is entitled to be filed. No person shall, directly or indirectly, pay, solicit, or receive anything of value in order to induce a person not to become or to withdraw as a candidate.

FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION TO VOTERS

No candidate shall, in his occupational designation on the ballot, assume a designation that would mislead the voters. (E.C. § 13107)

Every candidate is guilty of a misdemeanor who pretends or implies that he or she is an incumbent of a public office or that he or she has acted in the capacity of a public officer when this is not the case. (E.C. § 18350)

Any candidate who knowingly makes a false statement of material fact in a candidate's statement, with the intent to mislead the voters, is punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000. (E.C. § 18351)

SIMULATED BALLOTS

Every simulated ballot shall bear a printed notice (See Elections Code § 20009 for details) stating that this is not an official ballot but rather an unofficial marked ballot prepared by (name and address of person or organization responsible); and no official seal or insignia may appear on the envelope in which it is contained.

POLLING PLACE INFORMATION

Every person is guilty of a misdemeanor who distributes, or causes to be distributed, literature to voters that includes the designation of a voter's precinct polling place other than the precinct polling place listed for that voter in the latest official precinct polling list at some time not more than 30 days prior to the distribution. (E.C. § 18302)

VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTER BALLOT APPLICATIONS (E.C. § 3007)

The processing of Vote-By-Mail voter applications is expedited when voters use the official application form that contains such information as affidavit number and ballot style. Since the Registrar of Voters routinely mails this application form to every voter along with the sample ballot, there is no need for candidates to distribute their own Vote-By-Mail application forms. Candidates who wish to do so must comply with the requirements set forth in the Elections Code. They must follow the uniform application format that is provided by the Secretary of State and available at the Registrar of Voters.

They must also comply with the postal regulations, which may be obtained by contacting the Vote-By-Mail section of the Registrar of Voters' office at (951) 486-7207.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTER BALLOT APPLICATIONS (E.C. § 3007) (Continued)

Any individual, organization or group that distributes and receives completed Vote-By-Mail applications shall return them to the Registrar of Voters' office within 72 hours of receiving them. The name, address, and telephone number of the organization, which authorizes the distribution of the applications, shall be included on the application. (E.C. § 3008)

Violation of these codes constitutes a misdemeanor. (E.C. § 18402)

POLITICAL ADVERTISING (E.C. § 20008)

Any paid political advertisement contained in or distributed with a newspaper shall bear on each page in type at least half as large as the type of the advertisement or in 10-point roman type, whichever is larger, the words "Paid Political Advertisement," and such words shall be set apart from any other printed matter.

POLITICAL SIGNS

The placement of political signs is subject to regulations by state, county, and/or city. Be sure you know what the restrictions are. For signs within a city, ask the City Clerk for information. For signs in an unincorporated area of Riverside County, check with the Riverside County Code Enforcement Department; phone (951) 955-2078 at 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside.

City: Consult the appropriate City Clerk for information concerning city sign ordinances.

County: Following is the text of Temporary Political Signs (County of Riverside Ordinance 806)

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside Ordains as Follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

It is the intent of this ordinance to regulate temporary signs which are not regulated by Article XIX of Riverside County Ordinance No. 348 and Riverside County Ordinance No. 679. The purpose of the ordinance is to preserve and enhance the aesthetic, traffic safety and environmental values of our communities and growing commercial and industrial areas, while at the same time, providing channels of communication to the public. It is the County's intent to regulate non-permanent signs based on their size, height, number, location and duration and to allow more non-commercial signs during election periods to encourage public debate. The County finds that it is in the interest of both aesthetics and traffic safety that signage be kept to a minimum. It is the intent of this sign ordinance to enhance traffic safety by ensuring that signage does not distract, obstruct or otherwise impede traffic circulation. The County finds that signs which exceed the dimensions, design and location restrictions specified in this ordinance are unreasonable and adversely affect public welfare and safety, including traffic safety.

All signs described herein shall conform to the applicable provisions of this ordinance. If any specific zoning classification within Ordinance 348 shall impose more stringent requirements than are set forth within this article, the more stringent provisions shall prevail.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this ordinance, the following words or phrases shall be defined as follows:

- A. **ELECTION PERIOD** means the period of time ninety (90) days prior and ten (10) days after any local state, regional or national official election.
- B. **HEIGHT** means the highest point of the structure or sign measured from the average natural ground level at the base of the supporting structure.
- C. **LOT.** The definition of "lot" set forth in Ordinance No. 348 (Section 2144) shall be incorporated by this reference.
- ~~D. **NON-COMMERCIAL SIGN** means any sign that does not do any of the following:
 - 1. Advertise a product or service for profit for a business purpose;
 - 2. Propose a commercial transaction; or
 - 3. Relate solely to economic interests.~~
- ~~E. **PERMANENT FOUNDATION** means concrete or other semi-permanent material used to affix a sign to the ground.~~
- F. **REAL ESTATE SIGN** means a temporary sign advertising a property or structure is for sale, lease, rent or exchange. The advertising contained on a Real Estate Sign shall be limited the following information:
 - 1. That the property is for sale, lease, rent or exchange by the owner or his
 - 2. The property is in escrow or there is an "open house".
 - 3. Directions to the property.
 - 4. The owners or agent's name, address and telephone number.
- G. **SIGN** means any structure, housing, device, figure, statuary, painting, display, message, placard or other contrivance, which is designed, constructed, created, engineered, intended or used to provide data or information for advertising purposes.
- H. **SURFACE AREA** means that area of a sign as measured by the smallest geometric form such as a square, rectangle, triangle, or circle, or combination thereof, which will encompass the face of the sign on which the message is displayed.
- I. **TEMPORARY SIGN** means a sign that is not intended to be permanent. Temporary signs shall not be constructed or erected upon a permanent foundation or attached to a sign structure having a permanent foundation. Temporary signs shall include non-commercial signs (including non-commercial signs during an election period), real estate signs, yard or garage sale signs or event signs. All other commercial signs, not constructed or erected upon a permanent foundation, are prohibited by this ordinance. If the sign is constructed or erected on a permanent foundation, it is regulated by Article XIX (Section 19, et seq) of Riverside County Ordinance No. 348.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

SECTION 3. TEMPORARY SIGNS.

Temporary signs are permitted in all zoning classifications subject to the limitations imposed by this ordinance. No person shall erect, use or maintain a temporary sign in the unincorporated area of the County, except in accordance with the following provisions:

A. Standards For All Temporary Signs

1. No temporary sign shall be artificially lighted.
2. No temporary sign shall be erected, placed, used or maintained within the road right of way, except non-commercial signs during an election period.
3. No temporary sign shall be erected, placed, used or maintained upon property without the consent of the owner, lessee, person or entity in lawful possession of the property.
4. No temporary sign shall be erected, placed, used or maintained so that it does any of the following:
 - (a) Mars, defaces, disfigures or damages any public building, structure or other property.
 - (b) Endangers the safety of persons or property.
 - (c) Obscures the view of any fire hydrant, traffic sign, traffic signal, street sign, or public informational sign.
 - (d) Blocks motorists' line of vision to areas of vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

B. Standards For Real Estate Signs.

1. For lots zoned for one and two family residential uses: one sign not exceeding six (6) square feet in surface area and not more than six (6) feet in height.
2. For lots zoned for multiple family residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural uses: one sign on each separate frontage of the lot on the street, each sign not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in surface area and not more than six (6) feet in height. No more than four (4) signs are allowed per development.
3. Riders, not to exceed two (2) square feet in aggregate surface area may be added to the real estate sign to identify the specific agent offering the property for sale, to show that the property is "in escrow" or for an "open house".
4. The sign(s) shall be removed within ten days of the close of escrow on the property or structure, or portion thereof, being sold, leased or rented.

C. Standards For Yard Or Garage Sale Signs And Event Signs.

Temporary signs that advertise items for sale or events located on the property on which the sale or event will be conducted are permitted in every zoning classification, subject to the following standards:

1. The yard or garage sale or event is in conformance with Riverside County ordinances.
2. No sign shall exceed four (4) square feet in surface area.
3. No sign shall exceed four (4) square feet in height.
4. No sign shall be posted more than fifteen (15) days before the event or sale, and shall be removed within five (5) days after the event or sale.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

5. Only one (1) sign per lot may be displayed at any time and no more than three (3) such signs may be posted on any lot per calendar year.

D. Standards For Non-Commercial Signs During Election Period.

1. In addition to the temporary signs permitted in Section 3 of this ordinance and the signs allowed by Ordinance 348, Article XIX and Ordinance 679, temporary non-commercial signs shall be permitted in all zoning classifications during an election period, subject to the following limitations:
 - (a) No sign shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in surface area.
 - (b) No sign shall exceed six (6) feet in height.
 - (c) No lot shall contain such signs having an aggregate surface area in excess of eighty (80) square feet.
 - (d) Such signs shall be permitted along road right-of-way provided no sign shall be erected, placed, used or maintained on any publicly owned tree or shrub or upon the improved portion of any street or highway right of way used for traffic or parking or upon any street divider or median strip.
 - (e) All signs shall be removed within ten (10) days after the election has occurred.

SECTION 4. NON-COMMERCIAL SIGNS PERMITTED.

A non-commercial sign or message is permitted to be displayed, in lieu of a commercial message, wherever and whenever a commercial sign or message is permitted by this ordinance.

SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT.

- A. County employees, representatives or agents shall be authorized to remove and dispose of any temporary sign in violation of this ordinance upon the expiration of ten (10) days after posting a written notice of violation on the sign, and mailing of a written notice to the property owner and to the sign owner, if identified on the sign. The notice shall contain the right to appeal this determination by submitting a written appeal to the Department of Building and Safety within this ten (10) day time period. The appeal shall be conducted by review of the written appeal by an administrative hearing officer. The submission of a written appeal to the Department of Building and Safety within the ten (10) day time period shall stay the removal and disposal of the sign upon a decision of the hearing officer granting the appeal or until ten (10) days after mailing of a decision of the hearing officer denying the appeal.
- B. The procedures, remedies and penalties for violation of this ordinance and for recovery of costs related to enforcement are provided for in Ordinance No. 725, which is incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 6. NONCONFORMING TEMPORARY SIGNS

- A. Every temporary sign which was lawfully in existence prior to the enactment of this ordinance, and does not conform to this ordinance, shall be deemed a nonconforming temporary sign and shall be removed or altered in accordance with this ordinance as follows:
 1. All temporary signs with a nominal value of \$100.00 or less shall be abated or brought into conformance immediately after the effective date of this ordinance.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

2. All temporary signs with a value of more than \$100.00 shall be abated or brought into conformance within six (6) months of the effective date of this ordinance.
- B.** All temporary signs not in lawful existence prior to the date of enactment of this ordinance shall be abated or brought into conformance immediately.
- C.** For purposes of this section, the above referenced terms have the following meanings:
1. The “value” of the temporary sign shall mean the cost of sign, less depreciation, and shall not include the potential revenue generated by the sign.
 2. A temporary sign “in lawful existence prior to enactment of this ordinance” means a temporary sign that conforms with all other County ordinances, State or Federal laws and Uniform Codes in effect at the time of enactment of this ordinance, including any applicable permit requirements.

ELECTIONEERING ON ELECTION DAY (E.C. §§ 18370, 18541)

No person, on Election Day, or at any time that a voter may be casting a ballot, shall, within 100 feet of a polling place or an elections official’s office:

- (a) Circulate an initiative, referendum, recall, or nomination petition or any other petition.
- (b) Solicit a vote or speak to a voter on the subject of marking his or her ballot.
- (c) Place a sign relating to voters’ qualifications or speak to a voter on the subject of his or her qualifications. (Except as part of the formal challenge procedure).
- (d) Do any electioneering.
- (e) Photograph, video tape, or otherwise record a voter entering or exiting a polling place.

“100 feet of a polling place or an elections official’s office” means a distance 100 feet from the room or rooms in which voters are signing the roster and casting ballots.

Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

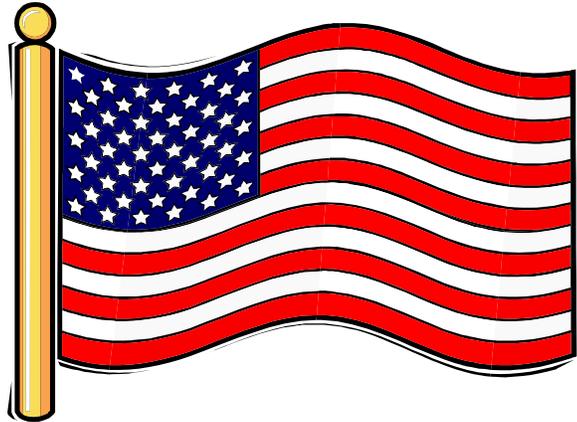
CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (Continued)

ELECTIONEERING DURING VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTING (E.C. §§ 18370, 18371)

- (a) No candidate or representative of a candidate, and no proponent, opponent, or representative of a proponent or opponent, of an initiative, referendum, or recall measure, or of a charter amendment, shall solicit the vote of a Vote-By-Mail voter, or do any electioneering, while in the residence or in the immediate presence of the voter, and during the time he or she knows the Vote-By-Mail voter is voting.
- (b) Any person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (c) This section shall not be construed to conflict with any provisions of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, nor to preclude electioneering by mail or telephone or in public places, except as prohibited by Section 18370, or by any other provision of law.

NOTE: Misdemeanor penalties will also be imposed on any person performing the actions as prohibited on Election Day or at any time that a voter may be casting a ballot.

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION



VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION (E.C. §§ 2188, 2194)

Voter registration information is confidential except for election, scholarly, journalistic, political or for governmental purposes. (E.C. § 2194)

Any person, organization, company, committee, association or group requesting voter registration information (this also applies to indexes and Vote-By-Mail voters' lists) must complete an application provided and maintained by the Registrar of Voters. The application requires that appropriate identification be provided at the time of completing the application. (E.C. § 2188)

Duplication, distribution or selling of this information by anyone other than the election official is prohibited.

It is a misdemeanor to knowingly use or permit the use of all or any part of that information for any purpose other than as permitted by law. (E.C. § 18109)

It is a misdemeanor for any person knowingly to acquire possession or use voter registration information without first complying with Elections Code § 2188.

For the convenience of Candidates, applications are available at local City Clerk offices. After the application is completed and verified, the City Clerk will forward it to the Registrar of Voters for maintaining. All requests for information must be made to the Registrar of Voters not the City Clerks.

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION



SOLICITATION OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS; OFFENSE; PUNISHMENT (G.C. § 3205)

- (a) An officer or employee of a local agency shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit a political contribution from an officer or employee of that agency, or from a person on an employment list of that agency, with knowledge that the person from whom the contribution is solicited is an officer or employee of that agency.
- (b) A candidate for elective office of a local agency shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit a political contribution from an officer or employee of that agency, or from a person on an employment list of that agency, with knowledge that the person from whom the contribution is solicited is an officer or employee of that agency.
- (c) This section shall not prohibit an officer or employee of a local agency, or a candidate for elective office in a local agency, from requesting political contributions from officers or employees of that agency if the solicitation is part of a solicitation made to a significant segment of the public which may include officers or employees of that local agency.
- (d) Violation of this section is punishable as a misdemeanor. The district attorney shall have all authority to prosecute under this section.
- (e) For purposes of this section, the term "contribution" shall have the same meaning as defined in G.C. § 82015.

LOCAL AGENCY EXPENSES (G.C. § 54964)

An officer, employee, or consultant of a local agency may not expend or authorize the expenditure of any of the funds of the local agency to support or oppose the approval or rejection of a ballot measure, or the election or defeat of a candidate, by the voters.

This section does not prohibit the expenditure of local agency funds to provide information to the public about the possible effects of a ballot measure on the activities, operations, or policies of the local agency.

The information provided shall constitute an accurate, fair, and impartial presentation of relevant facts to aid the voters in reaching an informed judgment regarding the ballot measure.

This section does not apply to the political activities of school officers and employees of a county superintendent of schools, an elementary, high, or unified school district, or a community college district.

VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTING

Any registered voter may apply for a Vote-By-Mail ballot. Vote-By-Mail ballots will be available beginning 29 days before Election Day. **IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO GIVE A REASON FOR VOTING-BY-MAIL.**

The application form is on the back cover of the sample ballot pamphlet. Voters may use it, or apply in person or by letter. The Vote-By-Mail ballot request must include the registered name, residence address, signature and address to which the ballot is to be sent.

A regular Vote-By-Mail ballot request must be received no later than 7 days before Election Day. (For special circumstances, see E.C. § 3021.)

Applications received prior to the first day of the Vote-By-Mail period will be held and processed on the first day of the period.

A voted Vote-By-Mail ballot must be received by the Registrar of Voters office, or returned by the voter to any polling place in the jurisdiction, no later than the time the polls close on Election Day. A Vote-By-Mail voter who, because of illness or other physical disability, is unable to return the ballot, may designate his or her spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, or a person residing in the same household as the Vote-By-Mail voter to return the ballot to the elections official from whom it came or the precinct board at any polling place within the jurisdiction. **NOTE:** A written statement is not required if the Vote-By-Mail ballot is voted in the Elections Officials office. (E.C. § 3017)

Vote-By-Mail applications are not required from voters who have previously applied for “permanent vote-by-mail voter” status. These voters will be automatically sent a ballot as soon as ballots are available. (Any voter may request to be placed on the permanent vote-by-mail voter list. Once placed on the permanent list, a voter remains on it as long as he or she continues to vote a Vote-By-Mail ballot at every Federal General Election.)

See Vote-By-Mail Voter Application Section in this handbook if you wish to distribute a Vote-By-Mail application form.

SPECIAL NOTE: Vote-by-Mail ballots for Riverside County are mailed by our ballot printing vendor in the State of Washington. Vote-by-Mail ballots enter the mail stream as early as 29 days before the election and voters usually start receiving the ballots in their mail boxes approximately 26 days before the election.

WRITE-IN CANDIDACY

(E.C. § 8600 et seq.)

A person whose name does not appear on the ballot may run for office as a write-in candidate. Write-in votes will be counted, however, only for qualified write-in candidates who file the required forms with the Registrar of Voters no later than 14 days prior to Election Day. Forms will be available from the Registrar of Voters 57 days before Election Day.

To be a qualified write-in candidate for a particular office a person shall file:

- Statement of Write-in Candidacy
- Official Filing Form (Number of signatures required pursuant to E.C. § 10220)

Additional forms which are required of other candidates must also be filed by write-in candidates:

- Statement of Economic Interests (Form 700)
- Campaign Disclosure
- Form 501

The “Code of Fair Campaign Practices” form should also be issued to write-in candidates. Filing the Code is optional.

The complete text of Government Code § 84305 is required by law to be issued to each candidate.

The Candidate’s Statement form **does not** apply to write-in candidates.

The required number of signatures must be verified in the same manner as on a regular nomination paper.

SERVICES TO CANDIDATES

Prior to requesting the items listed below, an Application to Purchase or View Voter Registration Information must be completed at the Registrar of Voters office. In addition, the applicant must display proper identification, i.e. drivers' license.

NOTE: *To better serve candidates, applications are available at most City Clerks' offices.*

VOTER INDEXES (E.C. § 2183 et seq., Cal. Admin. Code § 19001 et seq.)

An index (voter list) is available for each precinct, listing all registered voters by street address. Political affiliation and telephone number is also given. Listing a phone number is optional on the registration form; therefore, any phone numbers listed on the index may not be current.

WARNING: Mailing addresses are not given on voter indexes. Candidates who plan to mail campaign literature should see information about MAILING LABELS below.

A candidate may purchase indexes at a cost of \$5 for the first thousand names and \$1 for each additional 1,000 names (or portion thereof). Each purchase may be a complete set for the candidate's electoral jurisdiction, or a partial set. Indexes may be mailed if payment, including postage or UPS charges, is received in advance, and the applicant has completed the required application.

Indexes may be purchased by the candidate or by someone with the candidate's written authorization. The purchaser must sign an agreement to use the indexes only for election or governmental purposes. A substantial fine may be imposed if registration information is used for other purposes.

For further information, call the Registrar of Voters' office at (951) 486-7340.

MAILING LABELS

Candidates who plan to mail campaign material may purchase mailing labels from the Registrar of Voters. The labels may be purchased for each registered voter in a district or by head of household.

SERVICES TO CANDIDATES (Continued)

Candidates may purchase a list of voters by jurisdiction, which contains the voter's regular precinct, name, residence, mailing address, and phone number, if provided. Voter lists are available in the following formats:

Format	Cost
<p>Voter Files Menu</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countywide Voter File –CD-Rom • Individual Districts – CD ROM • Mailing Labels – Individual voter or Head of Household • Alpha List by Jurisdiction • Street / Walking Index of Voters 	<p style="text-align: right;">\$35.00</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$35.00</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$35.00 per 1000 or portion</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$ 7.00 per 1000 or portion</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$ 5.00 for 1st 1000, + \$1.00 per 1000 names or portion thereafter</p>
<p>Vote-By-Mail Voter Files – Entire Election</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Request (Perm, Military, Mail Ballot) • Updates – Daily • Updates - Weekly 	<p style="text-align: right;">\$600.00</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$100.00</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$ 25.00 (per day)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$150.00 (per week)</p>

PRECINCT MAPS

Detailed maps showing precinct boundaries may be purchased. Candidates should contact our Precincting Section to order maps for their jurisdiction. Call the Registrar of Voters' office at (951) 486-7338 for further information.

Cost: \$35 per custom map

VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTER LISTS

Vote-By-Mail voter lists are available on CD or E-mail. For further information call the Registrar of Voters' office at (951) 486-7340.

POLLING INFORMATION

POLLING PLACES

The Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The following rules/regulations are presented to assist you in running a trouble free campaign and avoiding any problems.

WORKING AT THE POLLS/POLLING PLACE INFORMATION:



In addition to general recruitment of poll workers from among the county's registered voters, the Registrar of Voters uses three other specialized recruitment programs to identify Election Officers. They are the Student Pollworker program, the County Pollworker program, and the Adopt-A-Poll program.

California Elections Code does not allow any candidate for elective office to use their residence or business as a polling place. (E.C. § 12287)

California Elections Code authorizes County Central Committees to nominate individuals to work on precinct boards. The nominee must be a registered voter, member of the party making the nomination, and a resident of the precinct to which the nomination applies. These nominations must be made at least 90 days prior to the election for which the nomination is made. (E.C. § 12306)

WHY POLLING PLACES CHANGE:



There are many reasons for choosing or changing a particular polling place. Any or all of the following reasons may apply:

- ☆ Facilities become overcrowded or permission is no longer granted for a facility to be used as a polling place.
- ☆ As precincts grow, boundaries have to be revised. This could result in your having to be assigned to a different polling place.
- ☆ Previous polling place not accessible to the disabled and the elderly as dictated by law.
- ☆ The different grouping of districts in an election could make it necessary to change your polling place from election to election.
- ☆ Inadequate lighting, parking or other similar concerns may require a new location to be selected.
- ☆ Construction/remodeling may render a polling place unavailable for an election.
- ☆ Facility must be secure for storing touch screen voting equipment.

Polling Places (Continued)

CAMPAIGNING / ELECTIONEERING:



No person shall do any of the following within 100 feet of a polling place. (100 feet begins at the doorway of the room in which voters are voting).

- ☆ Circulate any petitions.
- ☆ Solicit a vote; wear campaign insignia, or clothing with campaign slogans or political advertisements.
- ☆ Post any signs relating to candidates and/or measures.
- ☆ Perform any type of electioneering activities.

Pollworkers are instructed to check for electioneering throughout the day. If a poll worker advises you that you are too close or are in any way electioneering, please comply with the request to correct the problem. If the pollworker is unable to resolve the problem, the Registrar of Voters will send a troubleshooter to the polls and/or summon law enforcement for assistance. It should be noted that exit polling may be conducted 25 feet from the polling place entrance.

OBSERVING:



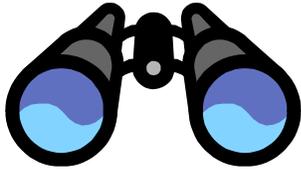
You are certainly welcome to observe activity at any polling place on election day – from the time the polls open until the polls are closed and the pollworkers depart to return the ballots and supplies to the collection center. However, in order not to disrupt the voting process, it is suggested that you and your campaign workers review the following material that is given in training to our pollworkers. It explains some of the do's and don'ts of observation.

Anyone may be a poll watcher, but most often poll watchers are people who are working with one of the political parties or for a campaign. A poll watcher is someone who is observing the procedures at the polls and/or monitoring who has, or who has not voted. To accomplish this, poll watchers may continually check the posted copy of the Street Index. **When not in use**, poll watchers are permitted to view the Roster of Voters, and all supplemental lists in the possession of the precinct board.

Although the law allows poll watching, there are rules and guidelines that must be followed.

Polling Places (Continued)

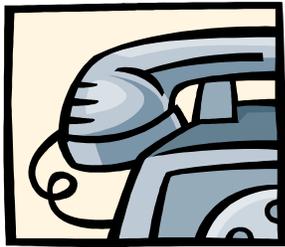
OBSERVING (Cont'd):



RULES FOR POLL WATCHERS/OBSERVERS

- ☆ Poll watchers are **NOT** permitted to disturb voters or interfere with the election process in any way.
- ☆ Poll watchers may ask questions, but may **NOT** interfere with Election Officer duties or disturb voters.
- ☆ Poll watchers may **NOT** sit at the election table.
- ☆ Poll watchers are **NOT** permitted behind the voting equipment or in the “voting area”.
- ☆ Poll watchers may **NOT** remove the Street Index from the immediate area. It may be removed from the wall for use, but then it must be re-posted.
- ☆ If more than one person or group wishes to use the Street Index, it must be equally shared.
- ☆ The Roster of Voters may only be viewed at the election table, and for only as long as the election board does not need it.
- ☆ If a poll watcher wishes to view the Roster of Voters at the close of polls, he or she may do so only for as long as it is not required by Election Officers to facilitate closing procedures.

ELECTION DAY CONCERNS:



If you see any activity that you believe is improper, or contrary to the Registrar of Voters policies, please contact the Registrar of Voters office immediately so that we may investigate. The sooner we know of a problem, the sooner we can eliminate it. Telling us of a problem the day after the election is helpful, but does not allow us to resolve problems in a timely manner for the benefit of those participating in the present election.

CANVASS

ELECTION NIGHT ACTIVITIES

<p>ELECTION RESULTS AVAILABLE AFTER 8:00 p.m.</p>	<p>At the Registrar of Voters, 2724 Gateway Drive, Riverside, or by phone (951) 486-7200, (800) 773-VOTE, or website: www.voteinfo.net</p>
<p>ELECTION NIGHT RESULTS INFORMATION</p> <p><i>ELECTION NIGHT RESULTS AVAILABLE ONLY AT THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE</i></p>	<p>Candidates are invited to visit the Registrar of Voters office on election night. Cumulative election results will be available to candidates and the public via a large projection screen in the Public Assembly Room or via telephone at the Registrar of Voters Office. In addition, the results will be on the Internet. The Vote-By-Mail vote will be reported first at approximately 8:15 p.m. Telephone operators will remain available to answer questions until all precinct results have been reported.</p> <p>The polls officially close at 8:00 p.m. Election activity then changes, from what was primarily voter participation at the polls, to precinct officials completing necessary procedures and forms, and delivering equipment and supplies to Ballot Collection Centers. Certain receiving procedures take place, and then the ballots are delivered to the Registrar of Voters office. The votes are tallied by computer at Election Night headquarters – The Registrar of Voters office. (No results are available at the Collection Centers.)</p>
<p>CANVASS</p>	<p>Following Election Day the canvass of the returns will commence at the Registrar of Voters office.</p> <p>During the canvass, a complete audit of all returns will be accomplished, as well as processing and counting of provisional and Vote-By-Mail ballots voted and/or received on election day. Additionally, if there are any qualified write-in candidates, those votes will be tallied during the canvass. As a result, close races may not be determined until the canvass is completed.</p> <p>The official election results will be certified after the completion of the canvass.</p>
<p>CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS</p>	<p>After certification of the election results, winners will be mailed a Certificate of Election with instructions on where and when to file it.</p>

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E = Election Day	NP = Nomination Period for June 8, 2010 Election	H = Holiday	R = Registration Deadline
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