Virtual Information Session 2025 Edmonton Election Campaign Period

Date: October 31, 2024









Introductions





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Agenda

- About Edmonton Elections
- Launch of Campaign Period
- Key Dates
- Questions email to elections@edmonton.ca
- Staying Connected



Edmonton Elections

The non-partisan team within the Office of the City Clerk

This team plans and executes the Edmonton Election on behalf of:

- City of Edmonton,
- Edmonton School Division and
- Edmonton Catholic Separate School Division.



Recent Changes in Legislation

- Longer campaign period
- Political parties and slates of candidates
- Expands special (mail in) ballot eligibility
- Permanent local electors register
- Prohibits use of tabulators (we now hand count)





Start of the Campaign Period

Dates: October 31, 2024 to December 31, 2025

What this means:

- Candidates for Edmonton City Council, Edmonton School Division and Edmonton Catholic Separate School Division can submit their notice of intent to run.
- Local political parties and slates of candidates can submit their registration.
- Once accepted campaign contributions can be accepted and campaign expenses can be incurred.





Candidate Notice of Intent

- Notice of intent must have following information:
 - Name, address and contact information for candidate
 - Records address
 - Name and address for campaign's financial institution
 - Names of signing authorities
- Names of candidates will be added to the Register of Candidates, located at <u>edmonton.ca/elections</u>.
- After submitting their notice, candidates can begin accepting campaign contributions and incurring campaign expenses.





Local Political Party & A Slate

- Multiple purposes, including endorsing candidates and support their election
- Minimum of 5 candidates
- Can receive campaign contributions and incur expenses
- Operate beyond the election

- Fundamental purpose is to support the election of the slate's members
- Minimum of 2 candidates
- Cannot receive campaign contributions or incur expenses
- Exist only for the duration of the election

*As of October 31, 2024



Register a Slate of Candidates

Registration Package

- Full name of slate and any abbreviation(s)
- Names, addresses and signature of all candidates
- Addresses for records and communications
- A statement of purpose for the slate of candidates



Register a Local Political Party

Registration Package

- Registration form (available on <u>edmonton.ca/elections</u>)
- Statement of assets and liabilities
- Signatures of 1,000 political party members currently eligible to vote
- At least five candidates who have submitted their notices of intent to Edmonton Elections
- Statement of political party's purpose

Timeline for Review

• Up to 15 business days

Contribution Limits

	Municipal Candidates	School Board Candidates	Local Political Parties	Slates
Candidate	\$10,000/campaign	\$10,000/campaign		
Self-finance	period	period	N/A	N/A
Individuals	\$5,000/yr to all candidates in municipality	\$5,000/yr to all candidates in each division	\$5,000/yr to all registered parties in each jurisdiction	\$0
Corporation, trade union or employee	\$5,000/campaign period to all candidates in	\$5,000/campaign period to all candidates in each	\$5,000/year to all registered parties in	
organization	municipality	division	each jurisdiction	\$0



Expense Limits

	2024	2025	2026-27
Candidate - Mayor	\$505,449.50	\$1,010,899.00	\$0.00
Candidate - Councillor	\$42,120.79	\$84,241.58	\$0.00
Local Political Party Per ward contested	\$42,120.79	\$84,241.58	\$0.00
Maximum (12 wards)	\$505,449.50	\$1,010,899.00	\$0.00
Slate Expenses split equally to candidates			didates





Election Timelines





Email questions to elections@edmonton.ca



How to Stay Informed

- Follow @EdmElections on X
- Regularly check <u>edmonton.ca/elections</u>
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Thank you.



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