

# Newsletter



## A word from the Returning Officer

Every Edmontonian marks their 'X' differently.

Some vote in advance. Some prefer to wait until Election Day. And some face barriers and require some assistance.

Edmonton Elections takes this reality seriously. We've developed new accessibility guidelines to make sure there are many ways to participate in the 2025 Edmonton Election.

All eligible Edmontonians have three options. You can go to a ward-based station during advance voting (October 7 to 11) or your local voting station on October 20. You can also opt for a special ballot, which allows you to vote by mail.

We'll be hosting institutional voting opportunities for the residents of many seniors facilities throughout Edmonton. We'll be in hospitals, post-secondary institutions, and at a social agency that works with vulnerable Edmontonians to provide voting opportunities.

For anyone facing other barriers, there are multiple tools to make the process easier. During advance voting or at the Edmonton Elections office on election day, anyone with vision loss or disability can use an elector assistance terminal. All voting stations will also be equipped with basic translations and tools to assist individuals as they vote.

Everyone marks their 'x' differently. So if you or someone you know needs additional support this fall, please visit our new [accessible election page](#) to find out more or call 780-422-VOTE (8683).

- Aileen Giesbrecht, City Clerk and Returning Officer

[Find out more](#)

# Nomination Day

The deadline to file nomination papers is September 22 at noon. This is the essential step in ensuring a candidate's name is on the ballot. As soon as the finalized list of candidates is available, it will be posted on [edmonton.ca/elections](https://edmonton.ca/elections).

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## Financial disclosure deadline

Another important deadline is September 30, when all campaigns, local political parties and third-party advertisers must provide an interim report of contributions and expenses between January 1 and July 31, 2025. These statements will be posted on the Edmonton Elections website prior to advance voting starts on October 7.

Visit the website to learn more

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## Mark your calendar

**IMPORTANT  
DATES**



**September 22:** Nomination deadline at noon (City Hall or Edmonton Elections Office)

**September 30:** Interim Campaign and Financial Disclosure due

**October 7 to 11:** Advance Voting Opportunities, one location per Ward

**October 13 at 4:30 p.m.:** Last day to apply for a special ballot to be mailed

**October 20 at 7 p.m.:** Last day to return a special ballot

**October 20:** Election Day

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# Where to Vote tool

The Where to Vote tool is now available at [edmonton.ca/forvoters](https://edmonton.ca/forvoters). Simply enter your address and you'll receive ward information and voting locations for advance voting and Election Day.

Voter information cards will be sent to every name and residential address on the permanent elector register. Non-registered Edmontonians will get a card addressed to "the current resident."

Try it out now

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## Election Day virtual information session

As the 2025 Edmonton Election winds into its final month, Edmontonians will be looking for clarity on what happens on Election Day.

On October 2 at noon, we'll be hosting the final 30-minute virtual information session all about what Edmontonians can expect on Election Day. We'll share more information about voting and counting processes and potential timelines, including how candidates can appoint scrutineers.

The recording will be available [online](#) afterward for those who are unable to attend live.

Here's the link

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## Final hiring push!

We're still hiring! Open recruitment began in mid-July to attract roughly 4,000 election workers to fill 5,000 positions on Election Day (October 20) and during advance voting (October 7 to 11).

The response has been significant, with more than 5,000 applicants received by the beginning of September, including more than 300 City of Edmonton employees. As a result, most positions at voting stations have been filled for advance voting and Election Day.

It's not too late to be part of Election Day. The final drive is focused on finding a few hundred more workers to hand count ballots once voting stations close on October 20, as well as ensuring enough workers are ready on standby in case positions become available.

[Apply now](#)

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## Find out who is running!

Over one hundred candidates have already completed the nomination process, ensuring their names will be on the ballot this October.

- 13 candidates for Mayor
- 74 nominated candidates for Councillor
- 28 candidates for Edmonton Public School Board Trustee
- 12 candidates for Edmonton Separate Catholic School Board Trustee

[See the list](#)

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## Election signage

Since September 8, election signs have been permitted on City road right-of-ways. Election sign placement must follow the [Terms and Conditions for the Placement of Free Standing Election Signs on City Road Right-Of-Way](#). On August 26, Returning Officer Aileen Geisbrecht co-hosted an overview of campaign rules at a virtual information session with David Jones, the Branch Manager for Community Services.

[View the recording here](#)

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## Stay connected with us!

Follow Edmonton Elections on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and/or [Twitter/X](#). These social channels make it easier for more Edmontonians to get the information they

need to participate in the 2025 Edmonton Election.

Follow us and be a part of the conversation.

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## Virtual information sessions

### Work the Election

This session covered information on working the election. Learn more about the application process and job requirements.



Watch now

### Election Advertising

This session covered information on election advertising requirements. Learn more about the registration of third-party advertisers, reporting obligations and signage rules.



Watch now

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## September's top 3 FAQs

### 1. Why are candidates not front and centre on the Edmonton Elections website?

Edmonton Elections maintains a [register of candidates](#) who are eligible to fundraise or campaign in the 2025 Edmonton Election. A second list includes

all candidates who have [completed the nomination process](#) and will appear on the ballot.

Most Edmontonians encounter Edmonton Elections when they receive voter information cards, go to a voting station, or search our website for [Where to Vote](#) or if they [need assistance](#) to participate in the 2025 Edmonton Election.

## **2. I applied to work, but I haven't heard back from a recruiter yet. What should I do?**

Thank you for applying to be part of our team.

The response to our open recruitment has been significant. We anticipated needing more than 4,000 workers to fill 5,000 positions.

Edmonton Elections is currently processing and reviewing applications. We've filled all positions for voting stations during advance vote and Election Day, and are still in the process of hiring count workers and standby workers.

## **3. Why haven't I received my voter information card yet?**

They're coming!

Edmontonians on the permanent electors register will receive a voter information card by personal mail within the next two weeks. Our register is new this year, so if you've moved or recently become eligible to vote, we may not have your most up to date information. Not to worry, if you are not on the list you can still vote by registering at your voting opportunity.

All relevant voting information, including your voting station information, is always available at [edmonton.ca/forvoters](https://edmonton.ca/forvoters).



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