

GENERAL INFORMATION

2024 PRIMARY ELECTION – TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2024

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The first day a candidate can file nomination petitions is **March 11, 2024**. The deadline for filing nominating petitions is **Monday, April 8, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. (A.R.S. §16-311)**.

Prior to obtaining any signature on nomination petitions, Candidates **MUST** file a **Statement of Interest form** with the Town Clerk prior to obtaining any signature on a nomination petition.

POSITIONS TO BE FILLED IN 2024 ELECTIONS

Mayor (2-year term)

Three Council seats (4-year terms)

One Council seat (2-year term)

A candidate shall be declared elected to office in the Primary Election if that candidate receives a majority of all votes cast at that election for that office. The method for determining the majority of votes cast is outlined in **A.R.S. §9-821.01**.

The Mayor and Council shall assume the duties of office at the first regular meeting of the Council in December next following the date of the Primary or General Election at which they were elected. Immediately prior to assumption of the duties of office, each Councilmember (and the Mayor) shall sign the Code of Ethics and take and subscribe to the Oath of Office. A Mayor and three Councilmembers are elected every two years. There is one additional Councilmember seat available with a 2-year term. This is for Councilmember Mark McBrady's seat who passed away. There are no term limits for office, and there is no salary established for the Mayor or Council.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST

A completed Statement of Interest Form must be filed with the Town Clerk *prior to obtaining any signatures on nomination petitions.*

A.R.S. 16-311(H). Not later than the date of the first petition signature on a nomination petition, a person who may be a candidate for office pursuant to this section shall file a statement of interest with the appropriate filing officer for that office. The statement of interest shall contain the name of the person, the political party, if any, and the name of the office that may be sought. Any nomination petition signatures collected before the date the statement of interest is filed are invalid and subject to challenge. This subsection does not apply to:

1. Candidates for elected office for special taxing districts that are established pursuant to title 48.
2. Candidates for precinct committeeman.
3. Candidates for president or vice president of the United States.

PETITION CIRCULATION

Each petition must be signed on the back by the circulator. A candidate may circulate a petition. Each petition must be circulated by one person only and that person must sign the certificate on the back of same.

A.R.S. § 16-321(A). Each signer of a nomination petition shall sign only one petition for the same office unless more than one candidate is to be elected to such office, and in that case not more than the number of nomination petitions equal to the number of candidates to be elected to the office. A signature shall not be counted on a nomination petition unless the signature is on a sheet bearing the form prescribed by section 16-314.

A.R.S. § 16-321(D). The person before whom the signatures were written on the signature sheet is not required to be a resident of this state but otherwise shall be qualified to register to vote in this state pursuant to section 16-101 and, if not a resident of this state, shall register as a circulator with the secretary of state. A circulator shall verify that each of the names on the petition was signed in his presence on the date indicated, and that in his belief each signer was a qualified elector who resides at the address given as the signer's residence on the date indicated and, if for a partisan election, that each signer is a qualified signer. The way the name appears on the petition shall be the name used in determining the validity of the name for any legal purpose pursuant to the election laws of this state. Signature and handwriting comparisons may be made.

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

Candidates shall register as a candidate committee if the candidate receives contributions or makes expenditures, in any combination, of at least five hundred dollars in connection with that candidacy.

This candidate packet includes a Statement of Organization (to register a committee), campaign finance report form (to file campaign finance reports), and a termination statement (to close the committee). Additionally, the Secretary of State's publication entitled *Campaign Finance Candidate Guide (April 2022)* is included as reference.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Citizens may call the Yavapai County Elections Department, 928-771-3248, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, concerning voter registration. The website is [Elections & Voter Registration Home \(yavapaiaz.gov\)](https://www.yavapai.gov/elections).

They may register in person at:

Yavapai County Elections Office
1015 Fair Street
Prescott, AZ 86305

All Motor Vehicle Division Offices

Mail in registration forms are available at:

Town of Dewey-Humboldt Town Hall
2735 S. Highway 69, Suite 12
Humboldt, AZ 86329

Dewey-Humboldt Town Library
2735 S. Corral Street
Humboldt, AZ 86329

Voters may also register to vote or update their voter registration information online at www.servicearizona.com.

Change of Name

To register under a new name, the voter should update their voter registration as outlined above.

CHANGE OF RESIDENCE TO DIFFERENT COUNTY. A registered elector who moves from one county to another county during the twenty-nine day period preceding either a primary, general or runoff election is deemed to be a resident and registered elector of the county from which the elector moved until the day after the primary, general or runoff election, whichever applies. **(A.R.S. §16-125).**

CHANGE OF RESIDENCE WITHIN THE SAME COUNTY. An elector who moves from the address at which he is registered to another address within the same county and who fails to notify the county recorder of the change of address before the date of an election shall be permitted to correct the voter registration records at the appropriate polling place for the voter's new address. The voter shall present a form of identification that includes the voter's given name and surname and the voter's complete residence address that is located within the precinct for the voter's new residence address. The voter shall affirm in writing the new residence address and shall be permitted to vote a provisional ballot. **(A.R.S. §16-135).**

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE. An elector shall not vote in an election called pursuant to the laws of this state unless the elector has been registered to vote as a resident within the boundaries or the proposed boundaries of the election district for which the election is being conducted and the registration has been received by the county recorder or the recorder's designee pursuant to section 16-134 before midnight of the twenty-ninth day preceding the date of the election. If the twenty-ninth day preceding the date of the election falls on a Saturday, Sunday or other legal holiday, voter registrations that are received on the next business day immediately following the Saturday, Sunday or other legal holiday are deemed to have been timely received for purposes of voting in that election. **(A.R.S. §16-120).**

Primary Election cut-off date is July 8, 2024

General Election cut-off date is October 7, 2024

RESTRICTIONS OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES

TOWN CODE § 30.082(F) RELATIONSHIP AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH STAFF.

Soliciting political support from staff (e.g., financial contributions, display of posters or lawn signs, name on support list, etc.) is prohibited. Town staff may, as private citizens with constitutional rights, support political candidates, but all such activities must be done away from the workplace and may not be conducted while in uniform or wearing indicia of association with the town.

COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Regular Town Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Study Session Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.