



NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

What are the requirements to run for City Council?

1. A citizen of the United States.
2. At least 18 years of age.
3. City of Montebello Resident.
4. Registered to vote within the boundaries of your District at the time nomination papers are issued.

When is the last day to register to vote?

October 24, 2022

Who can register to vote?

- A United States citizen and a resident of California,
- 18 years old or older on Election Day,
- Not currently serving a state or federal prison term for the conviction of a felony (for more information, please see Voting Rights: Persons with a Criminal History), and
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

Who can pre-register to vote?

To pre-register to vote in California, you must:

- Be 16 or 17 years old, and
- Meet all of the other requirements to vote.

You will automatically be registered to vote on your 18th birthday.

What is conditional voter registration?

If you did not register to vote by the 15-day voter registration deadline, in most elections, you may conditionally register to vote and cast a provisional ballot by visiting your county elections office, a vote center, or a designated satellite location during the period of 14 days prior to, and including, Election Day.

Once your county elections official processes your affidavit of registration, determines your eligibility to register, and validates your information, your registration becomes permanent and your provisional ballot will be counted.

Where are the Ballot Drop-off Locations within the City of Montebello?

There are two (2) ballot drop-off locations within the City. One is located at Potrero Heights Park at 8051 Arroyo Drive, Montebello, CA 90640. The second is located at the back entrance of the Montebello Library (**off of Victoria Avenue**), located at 1550 W. Beverly Boulevard, Montebello, CA 90640.

What is the date of election?

Tuesday, November 8, 2022; polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

- State Law: All voters will receive a mailed ballot.
- Los Angeles County determines the location, dates, and hours of all Vote Centers.

Is the Council elected At-Large or by District?

The City Council is elected by Districts – 5 Districts represent the City of Montebello.

Positions for election – 1st Election with Districts, Full and Short Terms:

5 (five) City Council District seats:

- Districts No. 1, 3 and 5 will serve a four (4) year term expiring in November 2026.
- Districts 2 and 4 will serve a two (2) year term expiring in November 2024.
 - (The two current City Councilmembers who were elected by an “at-large” election process in November 2020 will continue to serve until the completion of their term ending in November 2024.)

1 (one) City Treasurer seat for a full term of four year; expiring in November 2026.

When is the nomination period?

Opens on Monday, July 18, 2022 and Closes on Friday, August 12, 2022. Friday is not a regular business day for the City of Montebello, but the City Clerk’s office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, August 12, 2022.

Do candidates need to make a Candidate Filing appointment?

Yes, candidates filing appointments must be made, at least 24 hours in advance, to obtain your nomination papers and to file them. You may call (323) 887-1359 or (323) 1367 to make an appointment. The City Clerk’s office will be open for candidate filing Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and closed every Friday, with the exception of Friday, August 12, 2022, we will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Appointments will take approximately 45 minutes.

Is there a fee for the Candidate Handbook?

The City Clerk’s Office created a Candidate Handbook for the 2022 General Election that will be available to download at no cost or a hardcopy can be printed for a fee of \$48.00. The Candidate Handbook will be available on the first day of the nomination period, Monday, July 18, 2022. A free fillable electronic version will be provided via a flash drive to those that will pull nomination papers for the upcoming election.

Who can sign my nomination paper?

Registered voters within the City. They must personally fill out their own address on the form and must sign the same way as their voter registration form is signed. If writing is different, the signature will be rejected.

What are the Campaign Reporting Requirements?

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) provides free, expert advice at their toll free number:

(866) ASK FPPC (275-3772)
or you may go to their website at:

or e-mail at FPPC Advice (advice@fppc.ca.gov)

All campaign forms and most manuals and instructions are available on the FPPC website at: <https://www.fppc.ca.gov/>.

When can I begin raising funds for my campaign?

In order to raise funds, you will need to file the following forms:

- FPPC Form 410 (Original to Secretary of State and Copy to City Clerk)
- FPPC Form 501 (Original to City Clerk)

What are the Campaign Contribution Limits for the City of Montebello?

Per AB 571, the City adopted Ordinance No. 2440 establishing its own campaign contribution limits for city elective office in the amount of \$5,000 per year, per candidate from any person or committee.

Is the City Council a paid position?

Yes; \$1,032 per month for City Councilmembers.

When are City Council Meetings held?

The City Council holds their standing meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month (Closed Session begins at 5:00 p.m. and Regular Session begins no later than 6:00 p.m.). If there are no Closed Session items to be discussed, the Mayor has the option to start the Regular Session portion of the meeting as early as 5:00 p.m. The Mayor or the majority of the legislative body can call a Special meeting within a 24 hours' notice.

Who gets appointed as Mayor?

One (1) Mayor is appointed every year on a rotational basis by the City Council.

Where is the Election District Map available?

It is available on the City's website, under Departments/Administration/City Clerk's Office/Elections & Voting Information tab (scroll down to bottom of the page and click on "District Map").

Direct Link:

<https://www.cityofmontebello.com/elections-voting-information.html>

Where can I find out what District I live in?

You may find your district on the City's ARCGIS Map tool available on the City's Website under: Departments/ Administration/City Clerk's Office/Elections & Voting Information tab (scroll to the bottom for the link).

1. Click on the "Find My District" link to use the mapping tool.
2. Enter your address on the left hand corner of the site and press enter.
3. You can zoom out to view your District # or click on the parcel; or
4. You can click on the parcel, click on the arrow to view page 2 for District information.



Direct Link:

<https://cityofmontebello.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/basic/index.html?appid=e27502d822694504870c9b3631195149>

You may also call the City Clerk's office to find out what District you live in at (323) 887-1216 and (323) 887-1359.