CITY OF BERKELEY - GENERAL ELECTION CALENDAR November 5, 2024

Offices to be Elected: Mayor, City Council Districts 2, 3, 5, 6; Rent Board (4 seats); School Board (2 seats)

DAYS PRIOR TO ELECTION	DATE	ACTION TAKEN
		Public Financing payments are made on the Thursday following the Tuesday submission of matching funds requests.
Fixed Date	April 30, 2024	Each committee that makes expenditures in excess of \$250 in support of or in opposition to a measure must file campaign statements (1/1/24 - 3/31/24) BMC § 2.12.271
180	May 9, 2024	Suggested Last Day to file initiative petitions. Qualified petitions received after this date will be accepted, but may not be on the November ballot.
158 103	May 31, 2024 July 25, 2024	Signature In-Lieu of Filing Fee - Candidates may collect signatures during this period to offset the \$150 filing fee. Valid signatures are worth \$1 each. Charter Art. III, Sec. 6.1, BMC §2.16.020
113	July 15, 2024	FILING PERIOD OPENS - CANDIDATE NOMINATION PAPERS
103	July 25, 2024	Deadline to file Signature In-Lieu petitions with City Clerk.
Fixed Date	July 31, 2024	Semi-Annual Campaign Statements due. (1/1/24 - 6/30/24)
90	August 7, 2024	Independent Expenditure Disclosure Period Begins. (\$1000+)
90	August 7, 2024	Late Contribution Disclosure Period Begins. (\$1000+)
88	August 9, 2024	Deadline to deliver resolution calling ballot measure election to Registrar and request election consolidation.
88	August 9, 2024	FILING PERIOD CLOSES - CANDIDATE NOMINATION PAPERS
87 83	August 10, 2024 August 14, 2024	Candidate filing period extended if an incumbent eligible for re-election does not file nomination documents by the August 9 deadline. Incumbents
82	August 15, 2024	are not eligible to file during the extended period. EC 10225 Secretary of State to conduct Random Alpha Draw for candidate name order on ballot. EC §13111
	TBD	Primary ballot measure argument filing deadline.
	TBD	Rebuttal ballot measure argument filing deadline.
57 14	September 9, 2024 October 22, 2024	Filing Period - Candidate Nomination Papers for Write-in Candidates.
40 21	September 26, 2024 October 15, 2024	Voter Information Guide mailing period.
40	September 26, 2024	First Pre-Election Campaign Statement due.
29 7	October 7, 2024 October 29, 2024	Vote-by-Mail Ballot may be obtained by mail between these dates. After November 1, VBM ballots may be obtained at the office of the Registrar.
16	October 20, 2024	48-Hour Late Contribution Reporting Period begins for contributions of \$100 - \$999 (FPPC Form 497) BMC §2.12.295

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15	October 21, 2024	Last Day to Register to Vote for the 11/5/2024 election
14	October 22, 2024	Close of write-in candidate filing period at 5:00 p.m.
12	October 24, 2024	Second Pre-Election Campaign Statement due.
7	October 29, 2024	Campaign contribution disclosure list published online and at designated locations. BMC §2.12.065
Election Day	November 5, 2024	Election Day - EC §1000; Charter Art. III, Section 4. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.
DAYS AFTER THE ELECTION	DATE	ACTION TAKEN
15	November 20, 2024	All campaign signs must be removed fifteen days after the Election (BMC §§ 20.08.240, 20.44.030)
Fixed Date	December 1, 2024	Taking office date for newly elected officials (actual swearing in at later date). Charter Art. V, Sections 14, 14.1, 15, 16.
30	December 5, 2024	Last day for County to certify election results to City. EC §15372
30	December 5, 2024	Last day to submit matching funds requests (public financing) BMC §2.12.505.J
35	December 10, 2024	Council to certify election results. EC §§9217, 10262, 10263; Charter Art. III, Sec. 10
60	January 4, 2025	All unspent funds held by Public Financing candidate committees must be repaid to the Fair Elections Fund no later than 60 days after the election BMC 2.12.505(H)
Fixed Date	January 15, 2025	\$50 fee due to Secretary of State for open campaign committees
Fixed Date	January 31, 2025	Semi-Annual Campaign Statement due.
Fixed Date	March 31, 2025	Campaign funds become surplus (defeated candidate or candidate that withdrew). Surplus funds may not be used for a future election.
		EC: Election Code; GC: Government Code; BMC: Berkeley Municipal Code Updated 1/12/2024