



**CALENDAR FOR THE  
 NOVEMBER 2, 2004  
 CONSOLIDATED PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION**

<b>DATES (number of days before election day)</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
Cal. Gov't Code § 85200; S.F. C&GC Code § 1.122	<p><b>DECLARATION OF INTENT TO SOLICIT OR ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS.</b></p> <p>Before a candidate solicits or accepts contributions or loans or uses any personal funds for campaign purposes (excluding filing fees), the candidate must file a Candidate Intention Statement (FPPC Form 501) with the Ethics Commission and a Declaration of Intent to Solicit and Accept Contributions with the Department of Elections.</p>
<p><b>May 28 – July 22</b>                      (E-158 – E-103)                      CEC §8106                      SF MEC § 230</p>	<p><b>SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEE</b></p> <p>This is the period during which candidates can pick up and file in-lieu petitions in order to pay for all or part of their filing fee with signatures of qualified voters.</p>
<p><b>July 5</b>                      (E-120)                      SF MEC § 300</p>	<p><b>SUBMISSION OF INITIATIVE MEASURES</b></p> <p>This is the last day to submit to the Department of Elections initiative petitions to qualify an ordinance, declaration of policy or charter amendment for the ballot.</p>
<p><b>July 12 – Aug 6</b>                      (E-113 – E-88)                      CEC §10220</p>	<p><b>NOMINATION PERIOD</b></p> <p>This is the first and last day of the nomination period. Nomination documents cannot be issued before July 12, 2004 and cannot be returned after August 6, 2004 at 5:00 p.m. <i>Filing Fee (or signatures in lieu of fee) is due upon filing of documents.</i></p>
<p><b>Aug. 7 noon –                      Aug. 17 noon</b>                      (E-87 – E-77)</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENTS</b></p> <p>Period of public review for the candidate qualifications statements on the ballot.</p>
<p><b>Aug. 7 noon –                      Aug. 17 noon</b>                      (E-87 – E-77)</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIODS: BALLOT DESIGNATIONS</b></p> <p>Period of public review for the ballot designations on the ballot.</p>



<p><b>July 23</b>                  (E-102)                  SF MEC § 300</p>	<p><b>SUBMISSION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS &amp; BOND MEASURES</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the Board of Supervisors to submit to the Department of Elections Charter amendments and bond measures. The Board of Supervisors may submit and the Director of Elections has the discretion to accept one Charter amendment or bond measure after E-102 but no later than E-95.</p>
<p><b>July 31</b></p>	<p><b>FIRST SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT</b></p> <p>The last day to file campaign statements for the period ending June 30, 2004.</p>
<p><b>August 4</b>                  (E-90)                  SF MEC § 300</p>	<p><b>SUBMISSION OF ORDINANCES &amp; DECLARATIONS OF POLICY</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and four members of the Board of Supervisors to submit to the Department of Elections ordinances and declarations of policy.</p>
<p><b>August 6</b>                  (E-88)                  SF C&amp;GCC § 1.128</p>	<p><b>ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN SPENDING LIMITS</b></p> <p>This is the last day for candidates to file a statement with the Ethics Commission to indicate whether they accept or reject the City's Voluntary Spending Limits.</p>
<p><b>August 6</b>                  (E-88)                  SF MEC § 250</p>	<p><b>WITHDRAWAL OF NOMINATION</b></p> <p>This is the last day nominators may withdraw their nomination of a candidate by filing a signed and sworn statement of withdrawal with the Department of Elections.</p>
<p><b>August 9</b>                  (E-99 - E-85)                  SF MEC § 515</p>	<p><b>BALLOT SIMPLIFICATION COMMITTEE DIGESTS</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the Ballot Simplification Committee to submit to the Department of Elections digests of each measure submitted to the voters. The Committee will meet starting July 26, 2004 and ending August 9, 2004 to prepare these digests.</p>
<p><b>August 9</b>                  (E-85)                  SF MEC § 520</p>	<p><b>FINANCIAL ANALYSIS</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the Controller to submit to the Department of Elections a financial analysis of each measure submitted to the voters, including an estimate of the increase or decrease in the cost of government.</p>
<p><b>August 9</b>                  (E-85)                  SF MEC § 520</p>	<p><b>BALLOT QUESTIONS</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the City Attorney to submit to the Department of Elections ballot statements or questions.</p>



<p><b>Aug. 10 noon –                  Aug. 20 noon</b>                  (E-84 – E-74)                  SF MEC § 590</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: BALLOT DIGESTS, FINANCIAL ANALYSIS &amp; BALLOT QUESTIONS</b></p> <p>Period of public review for the Ballot Simplification Committee’s digests, the Controller’s financial analysis, and the City Attorney’s ballot statements or questions.</p>
<p><b>August 12</b>                  (E-82)                  CEC §13112(b)(1)(c)</p>	<p><b>RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING</b></p> <p>The Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order in which the candidates will appear on the general municipal election ballot.</p>
<p><b>August 13, noon</b>                  (E-81)                  SF MEC § 535</p>	<p><b>SUBMISSION OF PROPONENT &amp; OPPONENT BALLOT ARGUMENTS</b></p> <p>This is the last day to submit proponent and opponent ballot arguments to the Department of Elections.</p>
<p><b>August 16, noon</b>                  (E-78)</p>	<p><b>LAST DAY TO CORRECT GRAMMATICAL OR SPELLING ERRORS CONTAINED IN PROPONENT &amp; OPPONENT BALLOT ARGUMENTS</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the authors of proponent &amp; opponent ballot arguments to correct errors in grammar and spelling in the arguments.</p>
<p><b>August 17, noon</b>                  (E-77)                  SF MEC § 535</p>	<p><b>SUBMISSION OF REBUTTAL BALLOT ARGUMENTS</b></p> <p>This is the last day to submit rebuttal arguments to the Department of Elections.</p>
<p><b>Aug. 17 noon –                  Aug. 27 noon</b>                  (E-77 – E-67)                  SF MEC § 590</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: PROPONENT &amp; OPPONENT ARGUMENTS</b></p> <p>Period of public review of proponent and opponent arguments submitted for publication in the Voter Information Pamphlet.</p>
<p><b>August 18, noon</b>                  (E-76)</p>	<p><b>LAST DAY TO CORRECT GRAMMATICAL OR SPELLING ERRORS CONTAINED IN REBUTTAL BALLOT ARGUMENTS</b></p> <p>This is the last day for the authors of rebuttal ballot arguments to correct errors in grammar and spelling in the arguments.</p>
<p><b>August 18, noon</b>                  (E-76)                  SF MEC § 535</p>	<p><b>SUBMISSION OF PAID BALLOT ARGUMENTS</b></p> <p>This is the last day to submit paid ballot arguments to the Department of Elections.</p>



<p><b>Aug. 19, noon –                  Aug. 31, noon</b>                  (E-75 – E-63)                  SF MEC § 590</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS</b>                  Period of public review for rebuttal arguments submitted for publication in the Voter Information Pamphlet.</p>
<p><b>Aug. 20, noon –                  Aug. 31, noon</b>                  (E-74 – E-63)                  SF MEC § 590</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: PAID ARGUMENTS</b>                  Period of public review for paid ballot arguments submitted for publication in the Voter Information Pamphlet.</p>
<p><b>August 19, noon</b>                  (E-75)</p>	<p><b>LAST DAY TO CORRECT GRAMMATICAL OR SPELLING ERRORS CONTAINED IN PAID BALLOT ARGUMENTS</b>                  This is the last day for the authors of paid ballot arguments to correct errors in grammar and spelling in the arguments.</p>
<p><b>August 27</b>                  (E-67)                  SF MEC §§ 260,                  220(d)</p>	<p><b>WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT</b>                  This is the last day candidates may withdraw their candidacy or Candidate Statement by filing a signed and sworn statement of withdrawal with the Department of Elections.</p>
<p><b>Sept 6 – Oct 19</b>                  (E-57 – E-14)                  CEC §8601</p>	<p><b>STATEMENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY &amp; NOMINATION PAPERS</b>                  During this period all write-in candidates must file their Statement of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination Papers with the Department of Elections.</p>
<p><b>Oct 5</b>                  Gov't Code §                  84200.7(b)(1)</p>	<p><b>FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT</b>                  Last day for candidates and committees to file campaign statements covering the period from July 1, 2004 through September 30, 2004. Local candidates and committees file with the Ethics Commission. Reports must be delivered in person or by guaranteed overnight mail.</p>
<p><b>Oct 17 – Nov 1</b>                  (E-16 – E-1)</p>	<p><b>LATE FILING REQUIREMENTS</b>                  Candidates and committees must report late contributions and expenditures within 24 hours. For more information, contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at 866-275-3772.</p>
<p><b>Oct 18</b>                  (E-15)                  CEC §2102</p>	<p><b>LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE</b>                  Closing date for registration to vote in this election.</p>



<b>Oct 21</b> Gov't Code § 84200.7(b)(2)	<b>SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT</b> The last day for candidates and committees to file campaign statements covering the period from October 1, 2004 through October 16, 2004. Reports must be delivered to the Ethics Commission in person or by guaranteed overnight mail.
<b>Nov 2 (E)</b>	<b>ELECTION DAY</b> Polls open at 7 am and close at 8 pm.
<b>Jan 31, 2005</b> Gov't Code § 84200	<b>SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT</b> Last day to file campaign statements for the period from October 17, 2004 through December 31, 2004.