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# CALENDAR FOR THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION FOR LOCAL DEADLINES ONLY\*

DATES (# of days before election day)	EVENT
Cal. Gov't Code § 85200; S.F. C&GC Code § 1.122	DECLARATION OF INTENT TO SOLICIT OR ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS.
	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.
May 28 – July 22	SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEE
(E-158 – E-103) CAEC §8106 SF MEC § 230	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. Signatures in lieu of fee are due upon filing of nomination documents, or July 22, whichever occurs first.
June 15, 5:00 p.m. (E-140) SF Charter §§ 2.113, 3.100 Per Prop. C, Nov. 2007	NOTIFICATION OF ORDINANCES AND DECLARATIONS OF POLICY TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE MAYOR OR FOUR OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS
	Last day for the Mayor or four or more members of the Board of Supervisors to submit an <u>original</u> proposed ordinance or declaration of policy to the Clerk of the Board's office and provide a <u>copy</u> to the Department of Elections.
	SUBMISSION OF INITIATIVE MEASURES
<b>July 6, 5:00 p.m.</b> (E-120**) SF MEC § 300 (c)	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.
July 12 – Aug 6,	NOMINATION PERIOD
5:00 p.m. (E-113 – E-88) CAEC §10220	The period for which all candidates may obtain and file nomination documents. All nomination documents and fees must be filed no later than August 6, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. <i>Filing Fee is due upon filing of nomination documents.</i>
	SUBMISSION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS & BOND MEASURES
July 23, 5:00 p.m. (E-102) SF MEC § 300 (a)	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.

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July 26 – August 9 (E-99 - E-85) SF MEC § 515	BALLOT SIMPLIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETINGS  The Ballot Simplification Committee will prepare digests of each measure submitted to the voters to be published in the local voter information pamphlet.
August 2 Gov't Code § 84200(3)(B)(c)	FIRST SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT- FPPC FORM 460  Deadline to file campaign statements for the period January 1, 2009 to June 30, 2009.  Delivery must be made in person or first class mail.
July 30, 5:00 p.m. (E-95) SF MEC § 300 (b)	SUBMISSION OF ORDINANCES & DECLARATIONS OF POLICY  The last day for the Board of Supervisors to submit to the Department of Elections ordinances and declarations of policy♦.  ◆Ordinances and Declaration of Policies submitted by the Mayor or four or more Board of Supervisors should have been submitted no later than E-140 (June 15 <sup>th</sup> 5pm).
August 2, 11 a.m. (E-92) SF MEC § 505	DESIGNATION OF LETTERS FOR BALLOT MEASURES  The Department of Elections designates letters for local ballot measures according to the procedures set forth in MEC Section 505.
August 6, 5:00 p.m. (E-88) SF C&GCC § 1.128	ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN SPENDING LIMITS  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.
August 6, 5:00 p.m. (E-88) SF MEC § 240	WITHDRAWAL OF NOMINATORS (SIGNERS)  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.
August 6, 5:00 p.m. (E-88) SF MEC § 401	SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED TRANSLATED OR TRANSLITERATED CHINESE NAME  Deadline for candidates for local office to submit a proposed translated or transliterated Chinese name to the Department of Elections. Proposed names should be submitted along with the supporting information and material described in the candidate guide.

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August 6, 5:00 p.m. (E-88) CAEC §§ 9401, 10002,10403 ED CODE § 5322	SUBMISSION OF <u>DISTRICT MEASURE</u> The last day for submission of a school/college/special district measure. If a bond or tax measure is placed on the ballot, the tax rate statement is due at the same time.
August 6, 5:00 p.m. – August 16 5:00 p.m. (E-88 – E-78) CAEC § 9509 ED CODE § 5322	PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: <u>DISTRICT MEASURE</u> Period of public review of the district measures to be submitted to the voters.
August 7, noon – August 17, noon (E-87 – E-77) SF MEC § 590 (a) (1) (2)	PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS STATEMENTS & BALLOT DESIGNATIONS  Period of public review for candidate qualifications statements for publication in the Voter Information Pamphlet. Period of public review for the ballot designations to be printed on the ballot.
August 7 – August 11, 5:00 p.m. (E-87 – E- 83) CAEC § 10224, 10516, 10604	SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE EXTENDED FILING  If an eligible incumbent does not file during the regular nominating period, the candidate filing period for that office shall be extended 5 calendar days for candidates other than the incumbent.
August 9 (E-85) SF MEC § 510	BALLOT QUESTIONS  The last day for the City Attorney to submit to the Department of Elections ballot statements or questions for local measures.
August 9 (E-85) SF MEC § 515	BALLOT SIMPLIFICATION COMMITTEE DIGESTS  The last day for the Ballot Simplification Committee to submit to the Department of Elections digest of each measure submitted to the voters to be published in the local voter information pamphlet.
August 9 (E-85) SF MEC § 520	FINANCIAL ANALYSES  The last day for Controller to submit to the Department of Elections a financial analyses of each local measure to be submitted to the voters, including an estimate of the increase or decrease in the cost of government and/or the effect of the measure on the tax rate.

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August 10 noon – August 20 noon (E-84 – E-74) SF MEC § 590 (b) (1) (2) (3)	PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: BALLOT DIGESTS, FINANCIAL ANALYSES & BALLOT QUESTIONS  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.
August 12, noon – August 23, noon (E-83 – E-73**)	SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE EXTENDED PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD FOR CANDIDATE QUALIFICATION STATEMENTS AND BALLOT DESIGNATIONS  This special circumstance public inspection period is applicable only if the candidate filing period has been extended per CAEC§§ 10220, 10224, 10225, 10516, 10604  Period of public review for the candidate qualification statements and ballot designations submitted during the special circumstance extended filing period.
August 12, 11 a.m. (E-82) CAEC §13112 (b) (1) (c) (i)	RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING  The Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order in which the candidate names will appear on the ballot.
August 12, noon (E-82) SF MEC § 535 (a) CAEC § 9500-9605 ED CODE § 5322	SUBMISSION OF PROPONENT & OPPONENT BALLOT ARGUMENTS FOR LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES & DISTRICT MEASURES:  The last day to submit proponent and opponent ballot arguments for local ballot measures and district measures to the Department of Elections.   *Please call the Department of Elections to determine if official proponent and/or opponent ballot arguments have been submitted.
August 12, 2:00 p.m. (E-82) SF MEC § 545 CAEC § 9503	SELECTION OF PROPONENT AND OPPONENT ARGUMENTS  If the Department of Elections receives more than one proposed proponent or opponent argument for a measure, the Department will select one proponent and one opponent argument according to priority levels set by Municipal Election Code section 545 and, if necessary, by lottery.
August 13, noon (E-81) SF MEC § 535 (e)	LAST DAY TO CORRECT GRAMMATICAL, SPELLING OR FACTUAL ERRORS CONTAINED IN LOCAL PROPONENT & OPPONENT BALLOT ARGUMENTS  The last day for the authors of proponent & opponent ballot arguments to correct errors in grammar, spelling and facts in the arguments for or against local measures.

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August 13, noon – August 23, noon (E-81 – E-71) SF MEC § 590 (b) (4) CAEC § 9509 ED CODE § 5322	PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: PROPONENT & OPPONENT ARGUMENTS FOR LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES & DISTRICT MEASURES  Period of public review of proponent and opponent arguments for publication in the Voter Information Pamphlet.
August 16, noon (E-78) SF MEC § 535 (b) CAEC § 9500-9605 ED CODE § 5322	SUBMISSION OF REBUTTAL BALLOT ARGUMENTS FOR LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES & DISTRICT MEASURES  The last day for rebuttal arguments for local ballot measures and district measures to be submitted to the Department of Elections.
August 16, noon (E-78) SF MEC § 535 (c)	SUBMISSION OF PAID BALLOT ARGUMENTS FOR LOCAL BALLOT MEASURES  The last day to submit paid ballot arguments for or against local measures to the Department of Elections. Paid ballot argument fees and original hard copy must be submitted together at this time.
August 17, noon (E-77) SF MEC § 535 (e)	LAST DAY TO CORRECT GRAMMATICAL, SPELLING OR FACTUAL ERRORS CONTAINED IN LOCAL MEASURE REBUTTAL & PAID BALLOT ARGUMENTS  Last day for the authors of rebuttal and paid ballot arguments to correct errors in grammar and spelling in the arguments for or against local measures.
August 17, noon (E-77) SF MEC § 535 (e) ED CODE § 5322	LAST DAY TO CORRECT GRAMMATICAL, SPELLING OR FACTUAL ERRORS CONTAINED IN DISTRICT MEASURE REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS ONLY  Last day for the authors of rebuttal ballot arguments to correct errors in grammar and spelling in the arguments for or against district measures.
August 17, noon – August 27, noon (E-77 – E-67) SF MEC§§ 590 (c), 401 (c)	PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: CHINESE NAMES FOR LOCAL CANDIDATES  Public review of Chinese names for all candidates for local office. Deadline for filing a legal challenge to a candidate's Chinese name is August 27, 2010, noon. A candidate may challenge the Chinese name designated for him or her by the Department of Elections. A voter may challenge the Chinese name designated for any candidate.

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August 17, noon – August 27, noon (E-77 – E-67) CAEC § 9509 SF MEC § 590 (c) SF MEC § 590 (b) (4) (5) ED CODE § 5322	PUBLIC INSPECTION PERIOD: LOCAL BALLOT MEASURE & DISTRICT MEASURE REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS AND PAID BALLOT ARGUMENTS  Period of public review of local ballot measure & district measure rebuttal arguments, and paid ballot arguments submitted for publication in the Voter Information Pamphlet.
August 27, 5:00 p.m. (E-67) SF MEC §§ 260, 220(e)	WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT  This is the last day for local candidates may withdraw their candidacy or candidate statement by filing a signed and sworn statement of withdrawal with the Department of Elections.
<b>Sept. 7 – Oct. 19</b> (E-57** – E-14) CAEC §8601	STATEMENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY & NOMINATION PAPERS  During this period all write-in candidates must file their Statement of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination Papers with the Department of Elections.
October 5 Gov't Code § 84200.8(a)	FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT – FPPC FORM 460  Last day for candidates and committees to file campaign statements covering the period July 1 – September 30, 2010. Local candidates and committees file with the Ethics Commission. Reports must be delivered in person or by first class mail.
October 4 (E-29) CAEC §§ 3001, 3018	FIRST DAY FOR EARLY VOTING  Available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday, at the Early Voting Counter outside of Room 48 in City Hall.
Oct. 17 – Nov. 1 (E-16 – E-1) (Gov't Code § 84200.7(b)(1)	LATE FILING REQUIREMENTS – FPPC FORM 496/497  Candidates and committees must report late contributions and independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more within 24 hours. Reports must be delivered in person, by guaranteed overnight service, or by fax. For more information, contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at 866-275-3772.
October 18 (E-15) CAEC §2102	LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE Closing date for voter registration in this election.
October 21 Gov't Code § 84200.8(b)	SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT – FPPC FORM 460  The last day for candidates and committees to file campaign statements covering the period from Oct. 1 through Oct. 16, 2010. Reports must be delivered to the Ethics Commission in person or by guaranteed overnight mail.

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October 26, 5:00 p.m. (E-7) CAEC § 3001	LAST DAY FOR VOTERS TO REQUEST A VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT  Requests must be received by the Department of Elections by 5:00 p.m. Postmarks are not accepted.
November 2 (E)	ELECTION DAY  Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.
November 30 (E+28) CAEC § 15372 SF MEC § 13.108	LAST DAY TO CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS  The Department of Elections shall prepare a certified statement of results of the election and submit it to the governing body within 28 days of the election.
<b>Jan. 31, 2011**</b> Gov't Code § 84200	SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE STATEMENT – FPPC FORM 460  Last day to file campaign statements for the period ending December 31, 2010.  Reports must be delivered in person or by first class mail.

#### **Code References:**

Cal. Gov't Code: California Government Code

SF C&GCC San Francisco Campaign & Governmental Conduct Code

SF MEC: San Francisco Municipal Elections Code

CAEC: California Elections Code

**Ed Code:** Education Code

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