CITY OF AUSTIN ELECTION CALENDAR

MAY 7, 2016 SPECIAL ELECTION

(on proposed ordinance supported by citizen-initiative petition)

March 8	Last day to deliver required notice of election to county clerks (Travis, Williamson, Hays) [1]
April 7	Due date for filing first report of campaign contributions and expenditures [2]
April 7	Last day to register to vote for early voting or election day voting
April 7 – 27	Window for the published notice of election to appear in newspaper [3]
April 15	Deadline for posting notice of election on bulletin board where notices of council meetings are posted [4]
April 25	First day of early voting by personal appearance [5]
April 26	Last day for receipt of application by mail for ballot to be voted by mail [6]
April 27	Deadline for the published notice of election to appear in newspaper [see 3]
April 29	Due date for filing second report of campaign contributions and expenditures [7]
May 3	Last day of early voting by personal appearance [see 5]
May 7	**ELECTION DAY**
May 18	Window for council to canvass results of election at a special called meeting is May 10-18 (Canvassing is scheduled for May 18 to coincide with scheduled budget work session). [8]

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[1] Election Code § 4.008(a): "[T]he governing body of a political subdivision…that orders an election shall deliver notice of the election to the county clerk and voter registrar of each county in which the political subdivision is located not later than the 60th day before election day." The notice may be the ordinance calling the election [see Muncy manual §10.16].

[2] Election Code § 254.124(b): "The first report must be received by the authority with whom the report is required to be filed not later than the 30th day before election day."

[3] Election Code § 4.003(a)(1)(A): "[N]otice of an election must be given by any one or more of the following methods: (1) by publishing the notice at least once, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day; (A) in a newspaper published in the territory that is covered by the election and is in the jurisdiction of the authority responsible for giving the notice."

[4] Election Code § 4.003(b): "In addition to any other notice given for an election under Subsection (a), not later than the 21st day before election day, the authority responsible for giving notice of the election shall post a

copy of the notice, which must include the location of each polling place, on the bulletin board used for posting notices of the meetings of the governing body of the political subdivision that the authority serves…. A notice posted under this subsection must remain posted continuously through election day."

[5] Election Code § 85.001(e): "For an election held on the uniform election date in May …, the period for early voting by personal appearance begins on the 12th day before election day and continues through the fourth day before election day."

[6] Election Code § 84.007(c): "[A]n application may be submitted at any time in the year of the election for which a ballot is requested, but not later than the close of regular business in the early voting clerk's office or 12 noon, whichever is later, on the 11th day before election day…."

[7] Election Code § 254.124(c): "The second report must be received by the authority with whom the report is required to be filed not later than the eighth day before election day."

[8] Election Code § 67.003(b): "For an election held on the uniform election date in May, the local canvass must occur not later than the 11th day after election day and not earlier than the later of: (1) the third day after election day; (2) the date on which the early voting ballot board has verified and counted all provisional ballots, if a provisional ballot has been cast in the election; or (3) the date on which all timely received ballots cast from addresses outside of the United States are counted if a ballot to be voted by mail in the election was provided to a person outside of the United States."