

CITY OF CULLMAN
2020 MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE ELECTION CALENDAR

August 25, 2019

First day candidates can raise or spend money.

May 25, 2020

Last day a person can become a resident of the municipality in order to become a candidate.

July 7, 2020

Candidates may begin qualifying at City Hall. Candidates must file a Statement of Economic Interests form with the Alabama Ethic Commission in order to appear on the ballot. *For questions regarding the Statement of Economic Interests, please call the Alabama Ethics Commission at 334-242-2997.

July 21, 2020

Last day, by 5:00 p.m., to qualify to run for municipal office.

July 26, 2020

Last day for voters to establish residency to vote in the municipal general election.

July 27, 2020

Last day for candidates who qualified on July 21, to file an Appointment of Principal Campaign Committee form with the Probate Judge's office in the Cullman County Courthouse.

August 10, 2020

Last day for residents to register to vote for the municipal election.

August 20, 2020

Last day for a voter to apply for a regular absentee ballot.

August 24, 2020

Last day, until 4:00 p.m., for a voter to apply for and submit an emergency absentee ballot.

Last day, until 4:00 p.m., for a voter to hand deliver absentee ballot.

August 25, 2020

ELECTION DAY – Polls open from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm

September 1, 2020

Canvassing of election results

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2020 MUNICIPAL RUN OFF ELECTION CALENDAR

October 1, 2020

Last day to apply for absentee ballot.

October 5, 2020

Last day to apply for emergency absentee ballot.

October 6, 2020

RUN OFF ELECTION DAY – Polls open from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm

October 13, 2020

Canvassing of run-off election results

November 2, 2020

Newly elected municipal officials take office.

Council meets for its organizational session.

FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT (FCPA) DEADLINES

(FCPA forms are available from the Probate Judge or the Secretary of State and can be downloaded at www.sos.alabama.gov)

All FCPA forms for municipal elections must be filed with the PROBATE JUDGE in the county where the city hall of the municipality is located. Every candidate must establish a PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (PCC) by filing the required form WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS OF BECOMING A CANDIDATE regardless of whether the candidate has reached the \$1,000.00 threshold. A person becomes a candidate whenever he or she either (1) reaches the disclosure threshold by either raising or spending in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or (2) formally qualifies to run for office.

For questions regarding the FCPA, call the Secretary of State's Election Division at 334-242-7210. Be sure to say "I have a question about the FCPA".

Once a candidate reaches the disclosure threshold by raising or spending in excess of \$1,000*, the PCC must file disclosure reports as follows:

MONTHLY CAMPAIGN REPORT DEADLINES:

Remaining reporting deadlines include:

JUNE 2, 2020 (If the county is closed for Jefferson Davis' Birthday, the deadline is June 3, 2020)

JULY 2, 2020

WEEKLY CAMPAIGN REPORT DEADLINES:

(A candidate who is required to file a weekly report is ***not*** also required to file a monthly report the month of the election.)

AUGUST 3, 2020

AUGUST 10, 2020

AUGUST 17, 2020

AUGUST 24, 2020

ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE:

JANUARY 31, 2021

** Major Contribution Report - candidates must disclose the receipt of any single contribution of \$20,000 or more within two (2) business days of receiving the contribution if it is not included in a monthly or weekly report. §17-5-8.1(c).*

OTHER IMPORTANT FCPA DATES:

DECEMBER 23, 2020: Last day for candidates ***not*** involved in the run-off election to raise money to pay off their campaign debts. §17-5-7.

FEBRUARY 3, 2021: Last day for candidates involved in the run-off election to raise money to pay off their campaign debts, one hundred twenty (120) days after the election. §17-5-7.