

**CITY OF DETROIT
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS
TIME TABLE
SCHEDULED ELECTIONS FOR 2021**

ELECTIONS	FILING DEADLINE	BEGIN ACCEPTING A.V. REQUESTS	BEGIN MAILING A.V. BALLOTS	15-DAY DEADLINE Must register in-person at City Clerk's office after this date
<u>PRIMARY ELECTION</u> AUGUST 3, 2021	<u>CANDIDATE</u> APRIL 20, 2021	 MAY 20, 2021	 JUNE 19, 2021	 JULY 20, 2021
<u>GENERAL ELECTION</u> NOVEMBER 2, 2021	<u>CANDIDATE</u> JULY 20, 2021 1 st Time Established District – Community Advisory Council - To Nominate	 AUGUST 19, 2021	 SEPTEMBER 18, 2021	 OCTOBER 19, 2021

Date: 4/9/2021

2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION REQUIREMENTS
Candidates for Offices of
MAYOR, CITY CLERK
CITY COUNCIL AND POLICE COMMISSIONER
TO NOMINATE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL
DISTRICTS

Statutory
Reference:

168.641 (1)(c)** 3-105*	Date of Primary Election:	August 3, 2021
168.641(1)(d)** 3-105*	Date of General Election:	November 2, 2021
3-107* 14-9-11***	Officer to be Elected:	Mayor, City Clerk, City Council: Two (2) At-Large & Seven (7) Districts, Police Commissioner: Seven (7) Districts, Community Advisory Council Five (5) Districts 4 & 7.
168.644 (h)** 2-102*	Term of Office:	Four (4) years: January 1, 2022 @ Noon – January 1, 2026
2-101* 3-111*	Qualifications for Office:	Citizen of United States, a resident and a qualified and registered voter of the City Detroit (At-Large); of the district (Non At-Large) for (1) year at the time of filing, and retain status throughout their tenure in elected office.
3-109*	Method of Filing:	Non-Partisan Nominating Petitions
168.546**	Where to pick up Petitions:	Department of Elections- 2978 W. Grand Blvd. Office of City Clerk – Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Ave. – Suite 200

City Charter
**Michigan Election Law
*** Ordinance Community Advisory Council
Revised: 4/7/2021

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Statutory
Reference:

168.544c**
Revised 2015

Certificate of
Circulator:

The undersigned circulator of the above petition asserts that he or she is 18 years of age or older and a United States citizen; that each signature on the petition was signed in his or her presence; that he or she has neither caused nor permitted a person to sign the petition more than once and has no knowledge of a person signing the petition more than once; and that, to his or her best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition was at the time of signing a registered elector of the City or Township listed in the heading of the petition, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition.

If the circulator is not a resident of Michigan, the circulator shall make a cross [X] or check mark [✓] in the box provided, otherwise each signature on this petition sheet is invalid and the signatures will not be counted by a filing official.

3-109*
As amended 11-20-2012
14-9-12***

Petitions
Requirements:

Mayor, City Clerk & City Council At-Large

Shall be signed by a number of qualified registered voters of the City.

City Council & Police Commissioner by District

Shall be signed by a number of qualified registered voters of the district.

Community Advisory Council

Shall be signed by a number of qualified registered voters of the district.

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Signatures
 Required:

MAYOR, CITY CLERK &

CITY COUNCIL DISTS

14-9-12***

CITY COUNCIL AT-LARGE

POLICE COMM. DISTS

At-Large

(7) Districts

Min.	Max.
500	1,000

Min.	Max.
300	650

COMMUNITY ADV COUNCIL

Districts 4 & 7

Min.	Max.
200	400

168.551**
 3-109*

Where to File:

Office of the City Clerk

Coleman A. Young Municipal Center - 2 Woodward Ave,
 Suite 200 **OR**

Department of Elections

2978 West Grand Blvd.

168.644f**

Last Day to File:

4:00 p.m., April 20, 2021

168.322a**

Last Day to Withdraw
 Candidacy:

4:00 p.m., April 23, 2021

Written notice of withdrawal must be provided to the City Clerk

*City Charter

**Michigan Election Law

*** Ordinance Community Advisory Council

Revised: 4/7/2021

**CITY CODE REQUIREMENTS
TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL DISTRICT**

**Legal
Reference:**

9-101	Purpose:	To improve citizen access to the government.
9-101*	Number of District:	City Council shall by ordinance establish seven (7) Community Advisory Councils upon receipt of a petition from the residents of districts created under section 14-9-1.
9-102*	Qualifications for CACD:	The City Council shall create upon receipt of verified petitions, advisory council districts by ordinance that shall be the same as districts from which City Council members are elected, exclusive of the at-large district.
9-102*	Method of Filing:	Petitions provided by City Clerk to create Community Advisory Council District.
168.546**	Where to pick up Petitions:	Department of Elections – 2978 W. Grand Blvd. Office of City Clerk – Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 200
168.544c**	Certificate of Circulator:	The undersigned circulator of the above petition asserts that he or she is 18 years of age or older and a United States citizen; that each signature on the petition was signed in his or her presence; that he or she has neither caused nor permitted a person to sign the petition more than once and has no knowledge of a person signing the petition more than once; and that, to his or her best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition was at the time of signing a registered elector of the City or Township listed in the heading of the petition, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition. <input type="checkbox"/> If the circulator is not a resident of Michigan, the circulator shall make a cross [X] or check mark [✓] in the box provided, otherwise each signature on this petition sheet is invalid and the signatures will not be counted by a filing official.
9-102*	Signature Requirements:	Shall be signed by a number of qualified registered voters who are residents of the district.
9-102*	Number of Signatures Required:	Ten percent (10 %) of the number of persons voting in the district at the 2017 Regular Municipal Election. District 1 – 1,772 District 2 – 2,007 District 3 – 1,006 District 4 – 1,141 District 5 – 1,617 District 6 – 958 District 7 - 1,254
168.551**	Where to File:	Department of Elections – 2978 W. Grand Blvd Office of City Clerk – Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 200

* City Charter

** Michigan Compiled Law

**ELECTION REQUIREMENTS
TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL DISTRICTS**

**Legal
Reference:**

168.641**	Date: of Election:	November 2, 2021
9-102*	Number of Positions:	Seven (7) members Community Advisory Council, shall consist of five (5) members elected from the district and one (1) youth member and one (1) senior member who are appointed by City Council.
9-102*	Term of Office for Elected Members:	Four year term
9-102*	Qualifications for Candidates:	Citizen of the United States, a resident and a qualified and registered voter of the district in which seeking election at the time of filing and retain status throughout their tenure in elected office.
9-102*	Method of Filing:	Nominating Petitions
168.546**	Where to pick up Petitions:	Department of Elections-2978 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202 Office of City Clerk –Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 200, Detroit, MI 48226
168.544c**	Certificate of Circulator:	<p>The undersigned circulator of the above petition asserts that he or she is 18 years of age or older and a United States citizen; that each signature on the petition was signed in his or her presence; that he or she has neither caused nor permitted a person to sign the petition more than once and has no knowledge of a person signing the petition more than once; and that, to his or her best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition was at the time of signing a registered elector of the City or Township listed in the heading of the petition, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If the circulator is not a resident of Michigan, the circulator shall make a cross [X] or check mark [✓] in the box provided, otherwise each signature on this petition sheet is invalid and the signatures will not be counted by a filing official.</p>
9-102*	Signature Requirements:	Shall be signed by qualified registered voters who are residents of the district.
9-102*	Number of Petitions Required:	Not less than 200 signatures nor more than 400 signatures of qualified voters of the district.
168.551**	Where to File:	Department of Elections-2978 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202 Office of City Clerk-Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 200, Detroit, MI 48226
168.381**	Last Day to File:	4:00 p.m. July 20, 2021
168.322(a)*	Last Day to Withdraw:	4:00 p.m., July 23, 2021- Written notice must be provided to the City Clerk.
168.737(a) **	Last Day to File as a Write-In Candidate:	4:00 p.m., October 22, 2021- Write-In Candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for the November general election.

* City Charter
** Michigan Compiled Law
Revised Date: 4/9/2021

CITY OF DETROIT
INITIATIVES AND REFERENDUMS

**Statutory
Reference:**

12-101*	Definition:	<u>Initiative:</u> Voters power to enact or amend city ordinances. <u>Referendum:</u> Voters power to nullify ordinances enacted by the city.
12-101*	Method of Filing:	Non-Partisan Petitions
12-102*	Petition Contents:	Petitions shall set forth in full, the measure to be initiated or referred, as well as a brief statement of its substance.
12-102*	Petition Requirements:	Petitions must be signed by voters of the city, not less in number than 3% of all votes cast for the office of mayor at the preceding regular city general election. November 2017 total votes cast: 120,285 – 3% = 3,608
12-102* 168.544(c)**	Circulators of Petitions:	The undersigned circulator of the above petition asserts that he or she is 18 years of age or older and a United States citizen; that each signature on the petition was signed in his or her presence; that he or she has neither caused nor permitted a person to sign the petition more than once and has no knowledge of a person signing the petition more than once; and that, to his or her best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition was at the time of signing a registered elector of the City or Township listed in the heading of the petition, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition. <input type="checkbox"/> If the circulator is not a resident of Michigan, the circulator shall make a cross [X] or check mark [✓] in the box provided, otherwise each signature on this petition sheet is invalid and the signatures will not be counted by a filing official.
12-103*	Where to File:	Office of the City Clerk, 200 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center Department of Elections, 2978 West Grand Boulevard
12-103*	Time of Filing:	<u>Initiative:</u> Not less than 140 days before the election at which it is to be voted on. <u>Referendum:</u> Before the ordinance takes effect or where the ordinance is given immediate effect with 30 days after its effective date.
12-104*	Duties of the City Clerk:	Canvasses signatures within 10 days, and reports results to City Council. Signatures obtained more than 6 months before the filing of the petition with the clerk shall not be counted.
12-105*	Insufficient Petitions:	Additional Petitions may be filed within 15 days after the clerk's determination.
12-107*	Duties of the City Council:	May enact the ordinance or repeal the referendum within 30 days. If no action is taken by the City Council, the measure shall be submitted to the voters.
13-105*	Time of Election:	<u>Initiative:</u> Next election or at a special election. <u>Referendum:</u> Next election occurring not sooner than 70 days after the City Council determination or at a special election. Special elections are called at the discretion of the City Council.

*City Charter

**Michigan Election Law

*** By executing the irrevocable written stipulation, non-resident circulators agree to accept the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan for the purpose of any legal proceeding or hearing concerning a challenge to a petition sheet executed by the circulator.

Revised: 1/13/2018

Note: Individuals or organizations interested in submitting petitions are advised to consult with their lawyer to ensure full compliance with the law. Petitions not in compliance will be rejected. Approved samples are available for review at the Department of Elections.