



BEVERLY HILLS CITY ELECTION
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024
CANDIDATE FACT SHEET

DATE OF ELECTION

The last day to vote is Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

The County of Los Angeles will provide 11-day and 4-day Vote Centers located throughout Los Angeles County, which will be open ten (10) days or three (3) days, respectively, before election day.

On election day, the polls will be open from 7:00AM to 8:00PM. Beverly Hills voters may cast their ballots at any of the officially designated locations.

All registered voters in Beverly Hills will receive a Vote by Mail ballot. Voters may vote in-person at a Vote Center, mail their ballots through the USPS or drop off their ballot at an official VBM Drop Box.

POSITIONS FOR ELECTION

Two City Council seats. City Council incumbents whose seats are up for election in March 2024 are:

- Mayor/Councilmember Julian A. Gold, M.D.
- Councilmember Lili Bosse

TERM OF OFFICE

Elected City Council members will serve a four-year term.

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

All candidates must be at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, and a registered voter residing within the City of Beverly Hills limits at the time nomination papers are issued. Candidate cannot be a convicted felon.

NOMINATION PROCESS

The nomination period opens on **Monday, November 13, 2023 at 7:30AM** and closes on **Friday, December 8, 2023 at 5:00PM**

If an incumbent does not file, the period is extended to **Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 5:00PM.**

Nomination papers are filed with the Beverly Hills City Clerk's office. Filings are then forwarded to the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office for formal processing.

Nomination papers will be available on the first day of the nomination period, which is **Monday, November 13, 2023**. Issuing nomination papers will take approximately 45 minutes. It is recommended that candidates pre-schedule an appointment time to pick up their nomination papers.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

The write-in candidate period opens on Monday, January 8, 2024 – Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 5:00 PM.

VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS (previously known as Absentee Ballots)

Vote by Mail ballots shall begin mailing out by Los Angeles County on Monday, February 5, 2024.

VOTE CENTERS

The Los Angeles County Registrar's office will provide Vote Centers throughout the County. Beverly Hills will have several vote centers, including an in-person Vote Center located in the Municipal Gallery at City Hall and Roxbury Park. Other locations within Beverly Hills will be posted on the City's website. In-person voting will begin on Saturday, February 24, 2024 – Tuesday, March 5, 2024.

Voters not registered to vote may register onsite (same day) with a Provisional Ballot.

HOLIDAYS

City offices are closed Friday, November 10, 2023 for the Veteran's Day holiday, Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24, 2023 for the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, Monday, December 25, 2023 for the Christmas holiday, and Friday, January 1, 2024 for New Year's Day.

REGISTERED VOTERS NEEDED TO QUALIFY

To qualify, a candidate will need a minimum of 20 Beverly Hills registered resident voters. It is recommended to have 30 signatures to make sure there are enough eligible names to move forward.

CANDIDATE STATEMENT VOTER INFORMATION BOOKLET

Once a candidate formally files, the information is forwarded to the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office. Candidate statements are optional. The City of Beverly Hills has a 200-word limit, pictures are allowed (Beverly Hills Resolution No. 23-R-13483).

REGISTERED VOTER DATABASE

The City of Beverly Hills does not provide this information. Candidates should contact the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office for voter data.

CONTRIBUTION LIMITS AND VOLUNTARY EXPENDITURE CEILING

The City of Beverly Hills has a voluntary campaign expenditure limit at \$100,000. If a candidate accepts the \$100,000 limit, then the candidate may accept contributions of \$500 per person/entity.

[\(BHMC 1-8-3\)](#)

If a candidate chooses to *not* accept the \$100,000 voluntary campaign spending limit, then the candidate may only accept contributions of \$125 per person/entity.

CANDIDATE ORIENTATION

The City Manager's office hosts a 'Get to Know the City' orientation for candidates once they have formally filed. The session provides information on City operations and will be virtually held in January 2024.

NEWLY ELECTED CITY COUNCIL TERM

Los Angeles County has 30 days to certify the election. Upon receipt of the election results, the declaration of results and installation is required by the next regular City Council meeting.

The City Council Installation of the newly elected Councilmembers for the March 2024 election is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, 2024 (pending final election results).

COST

A \$25 filing fee is payable when the nomination papers are returned and filed.

There is no cost for nomination papers or to receive a Beverly Hills Candidate's Handbook.

If a candidate does not sign the voluntary expenditure spending limit, then \$1,679.60 (\$1,400.00 for Candidate Statements in English/Spanish and \$279.60 for an online posting through the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's Office) will be due at the time of filing for Candidate Statement translation and printing of the ballot. Spanish and Farsi language translations will be made available upon request. **These are optional costs should the candidate wish to have their statements published within Los Angeles County materials.**

CAMPAIGN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

All candidates must abide by local and state campaign laws. The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) provides free, expert advice at their toll free number (866) ASK-FPPC (275-3772) or you may go to their website at: <http://www.fppc.ca.gov>.

All campaign forms and most manuals and instructions are available on their website. Candidates are responsible for filing their campaign statements in a timely manner.

CAMPAIGN LAWN SIGN SCHEDULE

The City of Beverly Hills recommends that campaign lawn signs should be placed no earlier than Monday, January 8, 2024. Lawn signs must be removed within 10-days after the conclusion of an election.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Study Session and Formal City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 2:30PM and 7:00PM respectively (unless rescheduled for another date).

Special City Council meetings may be held as needed.

WORKING HOURS FOR A COUNCILMEMBER

Councilmembers must be able to attend regularly held City Council meetings, usually held on the first and third Tuesday of each month, unless rescheduled. The following is a schedule:

Study Session: 2:30PM
Closed Session: 2:30PM
Formal Session: 7:00PM

COMPENSATION

Councilmembers are currently paid a monthly stipend of \$785.81, ([BHMC 2-1-19](#)). Benefits are defined by the City's [Elected Officials Compensation Plan](#).

MAYOR

The Mayor is selected and appointed every year on a rotational basis by the City Council.

REGISTERED VOTERS IN BEVERLY HILLS

The City of Beverly Hills has 21,799 active registered voters as of October 23, 2023.

ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

The City of Beverly Hills now consolidates with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to conduct and administer municipal elections.

WHERE CAN I GET INFORMATION ON HOW TO RUN FOR OFFICE

Please review information provided by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and the Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC). The FPPC provides a Candidate Tool Kit for anyone interested in learning more about the process. All campaign forms, most manuals and instructions are available on the FPPC website: www.fppc.ca.gov.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Fair Political Practice Commission (FPPC)

Phone: (866) ASK-FPPC (275-3772)

Website: www.fppc.ca.gov

Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

Phone: (800) 815-2666 (option 4)

Website: www.lavote.gov