

Proposed Code Changes – Election Code Committee Meeting January 27, 2025

Sec. 7-103. - Write-in candidates.

No write-in vote for a candidate for City Council office shall be counted. ~~unless the person whose name appears as the write-in vote has filed an affidavit of intent with the City Clerk, no later than the close of business sixty-four (64) days before the election, indicating that such person desires and is qualified for the office.~~

Sec. 7-21. - Administration of City-administered elections.

The provisions of this article apply to the administration of City-administered elections. Any election conducted as a coordinated election with the County is subject to the provisions of applicable state law. Any ranked voting election conducted by the City Clerk will be in compliance with the rules adopted by the Secretary of State pursuant to the Colorado Code of Regulations 8 C.C.R. 1505-1:26.

Sec. 7-165. - Obligation of petition circulators.

Any person circulating a petition approved for circulation by the City Clerk ~~shall~~ will, upon the request of any person to whom the petition is presented, ~~read aloud to such person~~ make the entire text of the initiated or referred measure that is the subject of the petition or, in the case of a recall petition, the statement of charges and statement of defenses, accessible by any reasonable method.

Sec. 7-132. – Definitions

Ballot issue, ballot question or issue shall mean any measure put to a vote, or any measure for which contributions are collected with the intent to put to a vote, of the registered electors of the City by the City Council at any election held under the provisions of the Charter. For purposes of this Article V, *ballot issue, ballot question or issue* shall also mean any measure for which recall, initiative or referendum proceedings have been commenced, or for which contributions are collected with the intent to commence such proceedings, pursuant to Article IX, Section 1(b), Article X, Section 1(b), and Article X, Section 2(b), respectively, of the Charter.

Sec. 7-136. - Disclosure; filing of reports.

(c) Reports shall be filed with the City Clerk as follows:

- 1) When an election is more than ninety-one (91) days away, all committees must file a report within two (2) weeks of receipt of the first contribution or contribution in kind and then the first of the calendar quarter thereafter until the election is sixty-three (63) days away and the requirements of subsection (2) control.
- 2) All committees must file reports on the following dates:
 - a. the ~~thirty-fifth~~ sixty-third (35th 63rd) day before the election;
 - b. the ~~twenty-first~~ thirty-fifth (21st 35th) day before the election;
 - c. the ~~fourteenth~~ twenty-first (21st) day before the election;
 - d. no later than noon on the Friday before the election;
 - e. the ~~thirty-fifth~~ twenty-eighth (30th 28th) day after the election; and
 - f. the seventieth (70th) day after the election.

- 3) Candidate committees that continue in operation must file a report annually on the first day of the month in which the anniversary of the election occurs until such time as a termination report is filed.
- 4) If the reporting day falls on a weekend or legal holiday, the report shall be filed by the close of the next business day.