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CANDIDATE INFORMATION PACKET

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Introduction

Congratulations for your interest in running for municipal office in Centerville, Utah. The Mayor and two City Council member offices will be up for election in the 2025 municipal election. The following information is provided as a courtesy for interested candidates. This packet is only a summary of election requirements and qualifications and is not intended to be an exhaustive list or summary. Where referenced, candidates should also review State law and City ordinances regarding election requirements and qualifications. If any conflicts arise between State law and the provisions of this informational packet, the provisions of State law shall govern. Please review these requirements carefully. It is your obligation to read and understand these requirements to run for municipal office. If you have any questions, you may contact the City Recorder at (801) 677-6433, the City Attorney at (801) 335-8842, the County Elections Office at (801) 451-3508, or the Elections Director at the Lieutenant Governor's Office at (801) 946-1055.

Declaration of Candidacy

Except as otherwise provided by law, an individual seeking to become a candidate for municipal office in Centerville must, regardless of the nomination method by which the individual is seeking to become a candidate, file a declaration of candidacy in person with the City Recorder during office hours **from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. between Monday, June 2, 2025 and Friday, June 6, 2025.**¹ The latest date and time to file a declaration of candidacy is by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2025.² No declarations of candidacy will be accepted after this time. The City Recorder is required by law to maintain office hours Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the candidacy filing dates set forth herein. No declaration of candidacy may be amended after the expiration of the period for filing. Declarations of candidacy filed in accordance with State law are deemed valid unless a written objection is filed with the City Recorder before 5:00 p.m. within 10 days after the last day for filing. An individual who has filed a declaration of candidacy may withdraw as a candidate by filing a written affidavit of withdrawal with the City Recorder. Please note that candidates must generally use their legal first name followed by their legal surname on the declaration of candidacy and the ballot in accordance with Utah Code § 20A-6-109 (2025). Candidates who desire to use their middle name or a nickname for the declaration of candidacy and the ballot should refer to Utah Code § 20A-6-109 for exceptions and procedures. The form of the declaration of candidacy is set by State law. The declaration of candidacy form required by law is provided on the City's website. You may fill out the blank portions of the first page of the declaration of candidacy, but do not sign the declaration prior to submittal, as the declaration must be signed in front of the City Recorder after you have been duly sworn. See, Utah Code § 20A-9-203 (2025).

¹ *Utah Code* § 20A-9-203 (2025) and *Utah Code* § 10-3-301 (2025). Most declarations of candidacy must be filed in person by the candidate; however, certain exceptions apply as more particularly provided in *Utah Code* § 20A-9-203 and 20A-9-404. Such exceptions include, but are not limited to, when the person is outside of Utah during the entire filing period. If you are not able to file your declaration of candidacy in person, please refer to Section 20A-9-203 or call the City Recorder or the Elections Director of the Lieutenant Governor's Office for more information.

² Utah law also allows any resident of the City to nominate a candidate for municipal office by filing a nomination petition with the City Recorder during the office hours and time periods set forth above regarding the filing of declarations of candidacy. Any person desiring to file a nomination petition should review the applicable statutes set forth in Title 20A, Chapter 9, Part 2 or may contact the City Recorder or the Lieutenant Governor's Office for further information.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement

Pursuant to Utah Code § 10-3-301 (2025), an individual who files a declaration of candidacy for municipal office must file a conflict of interest disclosure statement as described in Utah Code § 10-3-301.5 (2025). Such conflict of interest disclosure statement must be completed and filed with the City Recorder at the time the candidate files a declaration of candidacy. The City Recorder cannot accept a declaration of candidacy until the City Recorder receives a complete conflict of interest disclosure statement from the candidate. We suggest you fill out the conflict of interest disclosure statement before coming in to file your declaration of candidacy. The conflict of interest disclosure statement shall be made available for public inspection by posting an electronic copy of the statement on the City website. See, Utah Code § 10-3-301.5 (2025).

Qualification to File Declaration of Candidacy

An individual filing a declaration of candidacy for municipal office must meet the requirements of Utah Code § 20A-9-203 (2025). To be eligible to file a declaration of candidacy for elective office in Centerville the individual must meet the legal requirements of the office, be a U.S. citizen registered to vote in Centerville, and must have resided within Centerville for the 12 consecutive months immediately before the date of election. The City Recorder is required to verify with the county clerk that all candidates are registered voters of Centerville. Any candidate who is not registered to vote in Centerville is disqualified and the City Recorder may not print the candidate's name on the ballot. In accordance with Utah Constitution Article IV, Section 6, a mentally incompetent individual, an individual convicted of a felony, or an individual convicted of treason or a crime against the elective franchise may not hold office in the State of Utah until the right to hold elective office is restored under applicable provisions of State law. Except as otherwise provided by law, an individual may not file a declaration of candidacy or be a candidate for more than one office in Utah during any election year. In addition, an individual who holds a county elected office may not, at the same time, hold a municipal elected office. See, Utah Code § 10-3-301 (2025), Utah Code § 20A-9-201 (2025), and Utah Code § 20A-9-203 (2025).

Acceptance of Declaration of Candidacy

Before the City Recorder may accept any declaration of candidacy, the City Recorder must receive a complete conflict of interest disclosure from the candidate and must discuss and inform the candidate of a number of requirements and laws. Please allow sufficient time in your schedule for discussion of these matters when filing your declaration of candidacy in person with the City Recorder. You are welcome to call the City Recorder to schedule a specific time to file your declaration of candidacy. Before the City Recorder can accept any declaration of candidacy, the City Recorder is required to read to the prospective candidate the constitutional and statutory qualification requirements for the elected office the candidate is seeking. The candidate is required to state whether he or she meets these qualification requirements. If the candidate does not meet the qualification requirements for the elected office the candidate is seeking, the City Recorder cannot accept the declaration of candidacy. If it appears the prospective candidate meets the qualification requirements for the elected office, the City Recorder shall inform or provide the following to the candidate:

- Inform the candidate that the candidate's name will appear on the ballot as it is written on the declaration of candidacy
- Provide the candidate with a copy of the current campaign finance disclosure laws for the elected office the candidate is seeking as set forth in Utah Code § 10-3-208 and 10-3-209 and inform the candidate that failure to comply with such laws will result in disqualification as a candidate and removal of the candidate's name from the ballot
- Provide the candidate with a copy of Utah Code § 20A-7-801 regarding the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website Program and inform the candidate of the submission deadline under Subsection 20A-7-801(4)(a)
- Provide the candidate with a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices described in Utah Code § 20A-9-206 and inform the candidate that signing the pledge is voluntary and that signed pledges shall be filed with the City Recorder
- Inform the candidate that an individual who holds a municipal elected office may not, at the same time, hold a county elected office under Utah Code § 20A-9-203

Once all of this information has been provided to and discussed with the candidate, the City Recorder may accept the declaration of candidacy.

Protection of Residential or Mailing Address

The declaration of candidacy is generally a public record. However, State law allows candidates to request their residential or mailing address be retained as a protected record if the candidate provides the City Recorder with another address or phone number where the candidate may be contacted. If you would like your residential or mailing address retained as a protected record, you may check the optional provision on the declaration of candidacy form and provide an alternative address or phone number. See, Utah Code § 63G-2-305(52) (2025).

Notice of Names of Candidates

Immediately after the expiration of the period for filing the declarations of candidacy, the City Recorder shall publish a list of the names of the candidates as they will appear on the ballot in accordance with Utah Code § 20A-9-203 (2025). The City Recorder shall also notify the Lieutenant Governor of the names of the candidates as they will appear on the ballot. As previously noted, the candidate's name will appear on the ballot as it is written on the declaration of candidacy, so please fill out the declaration of candidacy accurately and in accordance with State law requirements. The order of the names of candidates as they will appear on the ballot is set by State law and is determined by random selection in accordance with the master ballot position list procedures set forth in Utah Code § 20A-6-305 (2025). The candidate names on the ballot will not be in alphabetical order, but will be determined by the master ballot position list. This random selection process is conducted by the Lieutenant Governor and the City Recorder has no involvement in or jurisdiction regarding such process. A copy of the master ballot position list for the 2025 municipal elections is attached. See, Utah Code § 20A-9-203 (2025) and Utah Code § 20A-6-305 (2025).

Officeholder Requirements

An individual elected to municipal office for Centerville must be a U.S. citizen and a registered voter in Centerville. Each elected officer of the city must have resided within Centerville for the 12 consecutive months immediately before the election and must maintain a principal place of residence within the boundaries of the City during the officer's term of office. Some durational residency exceptions apply pursuant to Utah Code § 20A-2-105 (2025). Except as otherwise provided by law as set forth in Utah Code § 10-3-301, an elected office of the city is automatically vacated if the officer elected to municipal office, during the officer's term of office: (1) establishes a principal place of residence outside the city; (2) resides at a secondary residence outside the city for a continuous period of more than 60 days while still maintaining a principal place of residence within the city; (3) is absent from the city for a continuous period of more than 60 days; or (4) fails to respond to a request, within 30 days after the day on which the elected officer receives the request, from the county clerk or the lieutenant governor seeking information to determine the officer's residency. Pursuant to these laws, you must maintain a principal place of residence in Centerville for your entire term of office or your elected position will be vacated. Certain conditions apply for use of a secondary residence, including certain exceptions with consent of City Council. For additional information and exceptions, see specific statutory provisions. See, Utah Code § 10-3-301 (2025) and Utah Code § 20A-2-105 (2025).

Voluntary Pledge of Fair Campaign Practices

The City is required to provide each person seeking to become a candidate for any municipal elective office a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices as set forth in Utah Code § 20A-9-206 (2009). The stated purpose of the pledge acknowledges "*There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of Utah has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their right to a free election, and that the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.*" A copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices is attached. Any pledge that is submitted for filing by a candidate is a public record under the Utah Government Records Access and Management Act. The pledges shall be retained by the City Recorder for public inspection for 30 calendar days after the election. Signing and filing the fair campaign practices pledge is completely voluntary and candidates are not required to subscribe to, endorse, or sign the pledge. See, Utah Code § 20A-9-206 (2009).

Municipal Elections

The Centerville municipal election for 2025 will be held to fill the elective office of Mayor and the elective offices for two City Council members. Except as otherwise provided by law, Centerville will hold a municipal primary election and a municipal general election. Municipal primary elections are held on the second Tuesday following the first Monday in August in odd-numbered years. If necessary, **the municipal primary election for 2025 will be held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025.** State law provides that if the number of candidates for a particular municipal office does not exceed twice the number of persons needed to fill that office, a primary election for that office is not required to be held and the candidates are considered nominated. Municipal general elections are held on the

Tuesday after the first Monday in November in odd-numbered years. **The municipal general election for 2025 will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2025.** The election for the Mayor and two City Council members shall be an at-large election. See, Utah Code § 10-3-201 (2007), Utah Code § 10-3-205 (2024), Utah Code § 10-3-205.5 (2024), Utah Code § 20A-1-201.5 (2024), Utah Code § 20A-1-202 (2024), and Utah Code § 20A-9-404 (2025).

Term of Office

Newly elected council members will begin their term of office at 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the first Monday in January following their election and shall serve for a four-year term. Before taking office, all elected officers of the City shall take, subscribe, and file the constitutional oath of office. The oath of office for newly elected officers is usually conducted by the Justice Court Judge or the City Recorder at the first City Council meeting in January. The oath of office states: *"I do solemnly swear that I will support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this State, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity."* See, Utah Code § 10-3-201 (2007) and Utah Code § 10-3-202 (1990).

City Council Meetings

The Centerville City Council generally holds two regular meetings a month on the first and third Tuesdays. Regular City Council meetings are generally held at 7:00 p.m. at the Centerville City Hall. The average length of these regular meetings is three to four hours. A work session is frequently held prior to the regular meeting and additional special meetings are held from time to time as needed. Work sessions are generally held at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular meeting and special meetings may be held on other evenings as needed. City Council members are also required to attend other meetings such as Redevelopment Agency meetings, joint Council/Planning Commission work sessions, or other agency meetings. In addition, Council members often serve as representatives to the City's advisory boards and committees. For additional information about the responsibilities and time requirements of City Council members, it is suggested that potential candidates contact either current or former Council members, the Mayor, or the City Manager.

Form of Government

The governing body of Centerville City is a six-member council form of government as defined in Utah Code § 10-3b-102 (2024). The powers of municipal government in a municipality operating under the six-member council form of government are vested in a council consisting of six members, one of which is the Mayor. Utah Code § 10-3b-301 (2008). The powers and duties of the Mayor are more particularly set forth in Utah Code § 10-3b-104 (2008) and § 10-3b-302 (2024). The Mayor is the chair of the Council and presides at all Council meetings. The Mayor is generally a nonvoting member of the Council. The powers and duties of the Council are set forth in Utah Code § 10-3b-105 (2008) and § 10-3b-303 (2025). The Council exercises the legislative and executive powers of the City and may perform such other functions as may be specifically provided or necessarily implied by law.

Centerville City also has an appointed City Manager to administer the day-to-day operations of the City and its services in accordance with the policies and programs established by the City Council. See also, Centerville Municipal Code 2.01.010 and 2.01.020 regarding the powers and duties of the City Council and Centerville Municipal Code 3.01.080 regarding the duties of the City Manager. See,

Utah Code § 10-3b-102 (2024), Utah Code § 10-3b-104 (2008), Utah Code § 10-3b-105 (2008), Utah Code § 10-3b-301 (2008), Utah Code § 10-3b-302 (2024), and Utah Code § 10-3b-303 (2025).

Salary

The greatest reward that elected officials receive is the satisfaction of knowing they are serving their fellow citizens. There is also \$625 per month stipend provided to Council members and \$1,200 per month stipend (plus \$100 per month vehicle allowance) provided to the Mayor. Elected officials are not eligible for any other City benefits such as health insurance or retirement. See, Centerville Municipal Code 2.03.120 and Centerville Fee Schedule 3.010.

Electioneering at Polling Place Prohibited

Electioneering or campaigning at a polling place or in any public area within 150 feet of the building where a polling place is located is prohibited by Utah law as more particularly set forth in Utah Code § 20A-3a-501 (2023). "Polling place" is defined as the physical place where ballots and absentee ballots are cast and includes City Hall during the period in which absentee ballots may be cast there. "Electioneering" is defined to include any oral, printed, or written attempt to persuade persons to refrain from voting or to vote for or vote against any candidate or issue, and also includes circulating cards or handbills of any kind, soliciting signatures for any kind of petition, or engaging in any practice that interferes with the freedom of voters to vote or disrupts the administration of the polling place. By City Ordinance, no campaign signs are allowed on public property. See, Utah Code § 20A-3a-501 (2023) and Centerville Zoning Code 12.54.060(d).

Campaign Finance Disclosures

All candidates for municipal office must file campaign finance disclosure statements in accordance with the provisions of Utah Code § 10-3-208 and § 10-3-209 and Centerville Municipal Code 2.03.070. More information regarding campaign finance disclosures is provided in the City Campaign Finance Disclosure Packet which is provided on the City website. Additional information regarding campaign finance disclosures will be provided at the time a declaration of candidacy is filed with the City Recorder. See, Utah Code § 10-3-208 (2025) and § 10-3-209 (2024) and Centerville Municipal Code 2.03.070.

Campaign Signs

All campaign signs must comply with applicable provisions of the Centerville Sign Ordinance as set forth in Chapter 12.54 of the Centerville Zoning Code. More information regarding campaign sign regulations is provided in the City Campaign Sign Packet which is provided on the City website. Except as otherwise provided by law, it is a class B misdemeanor for any person to knowingly remove, alter, deface, or otherwise vandalize a political campaign sign advocating the election or defeat of a candidate for public office. Additional information regarding campaign sign regulations may be provided at the time a declaration of candidacy is filed with the City Recorder. See, Utah Code § 20A-3a-501 (2023), Utah Code § 20A-17-101, et seq. (2023), and Centerville Zoning Code 12.54.070 (2016), 12.54.080 (2016), and 12.55.230 (2016).

Candidate Information

The Utah Lieutenant Governor's Office administers a Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website (Statewide Voter Website) in cooperation with local election officials to help inform voters. Each candidate may submit statements of qualification, not exceeding 200 words in length, and certain biographical information for inclusion on the Statewide Voter Website. A copy of the Statewide Voter Website handout from the Lieutenant Governor's Office is attached. **The deadline to submit information to the Statewide Voter Website is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 27, 2025 for the municipal primary election and 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 5, 2025 for the municipal general election.** Candidates are responsible for ensuring that the information provided and posted to the Statewide Voter Website is accurate. Please review this information when provided and posted. If the information is not accurate, the candidate should call the Lieutenant Governor's Office to report any errors. See, Utah Code § 20A-7-801 (2025).

The City will post similar information about the candidates on the City website as the candidates submitted for inclusion on the Statewide Voter Website. Candidates desiring to have their information posted on the City website shall email to the City Recorder the statement of qualification, not exceeding 200 words, and biographical information as submitted to the Statewide Voter Website. **There is no deadline to submit such information for posting on the City website, but the sooner the information is submitted, the sooner it will be posted to the City website.** Candidates may also submit a picture (jpg format) and a link to the candidate's website (if any) for inclusion on the City website. Candidates are responsible for ensuring that the information provided and posted to the City website is accurate. Please review this information when posted. If the information is not accurate, the candidate should call the City Recorder to report any errors.

Davis County will also post similar information about the candidates on the Davis County Website. Candidates desiring to have their information posted on the Davis County Website shall submit such information to Davis County. Further information about Davis County services and candidate information can be obtained from Davis County.

Online Resources

Additional election information and copies of forms can be accessed on the Centerville City elections webpage at [Centerville Elections](#)

Davis County election information can be found on the Davis County election webpage at [Davis County Elections](#)

Statewide election information can be found on the Lieutenant Governor's election webpage at [Utah Elections](#)

City Ordinances can be reviewed online at [Centerville Municipal Code](#)

State Statutes can be reviewed online at [Utah Code](#)

Attachments

[Master Ballot Position List – Utah Code § 20A-6-305](#)

[Pledge of Fair Campaign Practices – Utah Code § 20A-9-206](#)

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2024 – 2025 MASTER BALLOT POSITION LIST

In accordance with Utah Code Section 20A-6-305, Utah Lieutenant Governor Deidre M. Henderson hereby establishes the Master Ballot Position List, establishes written procedures for election officials to use the Master Ballot Position List, establishes written procedures for the Lieutenant Governor in conducting the randomization in a fair manner, and provides a record of the random selection process used.

A. Master Ballot Position List

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| 2 | Z |
| 3 | C |
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| 5 | R |
| 6 | E |
| 7 | N |
| 8 | A |
| 9 | J |
| 10 | Y |
| 11 | M |
| 12 | K |
| 13 | S |
| 14 | G |
| 15 | L |
| 16 | F |
| 17 | T |
| 18 | X |
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| 24 | I |
| 25 | Q |
| 26 | D |

B. Written procedures for election officials to use the master ballot position list.

In accordance with Utah Code Section 20A-6-305, election officers shall use the master ballot position list for 2024-2025 to determine the order in which to list candidates on the ballot for any election held during those years.

To determine the order in which to list candidates on the ballot, the election officer shall apply the randomized alphabet as so:

- The candidate's surnames as listed on the declaration of candidacy
- If two or more candidates have surnames that begin with the same letter, the list shall be applied to each subsequent letter in the candidates' surnames as listed on the declaration of candidacy
- If two or more candidates have an identical surname as listed on the declaration of candidacy, the list shall be applied to the candidates' given (first) names as listed on the declaration of candidacy

C. Written procedures for the Lieutenant Governor in conducting the randomization in a fair manner and record of the random selection process used.

The Office of the Lieutenant Governor will conduct the randomization process by drawing wooden letter tiles from an opaque bag and following these procedures:

1. A wooden tile with each letter of the alphabet printed is to be placed in an opaque bag
2. Three individuals are to be selected to draw tiles out of the bag
3. The order the individuals draw tiles out of the bag is selected at random by rolling the die
4. The person rolling the highest number on the die picks first, the second highest roller picks second, and the lowest roller picks third
5. Ties are broken by rolling the die until one of the individuals in the tie rolls a number that is higher than the other person they are tied with
6. Letters are pulled out of the opaque bag until all tiles are removed
7. The order the tiles were picked from the bag became the Master Ballot Position List

The randomization was done on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 10:00 am in the rotunda of the Utah State Capitol. Notice of the meeting was published on the Public Notice Website and broadcast live on Zoom. A recording of the meeting can be found on the www.vote.utah.gov website.

20A-9-206 Fair campaign practices -- Voluntary pledge -- Pledge is a public record -- Retention requirements.

- (1) Each person seeking to become a candidate for any elective office that is to be filled at the next election shall be provided with a copy of the pledge of fair campaign practices.
- (2) The pledge shall be in the following form:

"PLEDGE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES

There are basic principles of decency, honesty, and fair play which every candidate for public office in the State of Utah has a moral obligation to observe and uphold, in order that, after vigorously contested but fairly conducted campaigns, our citizens may exercise their right to a free election, and that the will of the people may be fully and clearly expressed on the issues.

THEREFORE:

I SHALL conduct my campaign openly and publicly, discussing the issues as I see them, presenting my record and policies with sincerity and frankness, and criticizing, without fear or favor, the record and policies of my opponents that I believe merit criticism.

I SHALL NOT use, nor shall I permit the use of, scurrilous attacks on any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in, nor shall I permit the use of, defamation, libel, or slander against any candidate or the candidate's immediate family. I shall not participate in, nor shall I permit the use of, any other criticism of any candidate or the candidate's immediate family that I do not believe to be truthful, provable, and relevant to my campaign.

I SHALL NOT use, nor shall I permit the use of, any practice that tends to corrupt or undermine our American system of free elections, or that hinders or prevents the free expression of the will of the voters, including practices intended to hinder or prevent any eligible person from registering to vote or voting.

I SHALL NOT coerce election help or campaign contributions for myself or for any other candidate from my employees or volunteers.

I SHALL immediately and publicly repudiate support deriving from any individual or group which resorts, on behalf of my candidacy or in opposition to that of an opponent, to methods in violation of the letter or spirit of this pledge. I shall accept responsibility to take firm action against any subordinate who violates any provision of this pledge or the laws governing elections.

I SHALL defend and uphold the right of every qualified American voter to full and equal participation in the electoral process.

I, the undersigned, candidate for election to public office in the State of Utah, hereby voluntarily endorse, subscribe to, and solemnly pledge myself to conduct my campaign in accordance with the above principles and practices."

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

- (3) The filing officer shall print, or cause to be printed, blank forms of the pledge to be distributed to persons filing a declaration of candidacy.
- (4) A pledge that is submitted for filing by a candidate is a public record under Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and Management Act.
- (5) The filing officer shall:
 - (a) accept all signed pledges that are submitted for filing; and
 - (b) retain each filed pledge for public inspection for 30 calendar days after the election.
- (6) A candidate may not be required to subscribe to, endorse, or sign the pledge of fair campaign practices.

Amended by Chapter 202, 2009 General Session

Effective 5/7/2025

20A-7-801 Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website Program -- Duties of the lieutenant governor -- Content -- Duties of local election officials -- Deadlines -- Frequently asked voter questions -- Other elections.

- (1) There is established the Statewide Electronic Voter Information Website Program administered by the lieutenant governor in cooperation with the county clerks for general elections and municipal authorities for municipal elections.
- (2) In accordance with this section, and as resources become available, the lieutenant governor, in cooperation with county clerks, shall develop, establish, and maintain a state-provided Internet website designed to help inform the voters of the state of:
 - (a) the offices and candidates up for election;
 - (b) the content, effect, operation, fiscal impact, and supporting and opposing arguments of ballot propositions submitted to the voters; and
 - (c) the status of a voter's trackable ballot, in accordance with Section 20A-3a-401.5, accessible only by the voter.
- (3) Except as provided under Subsection (6), the website shall include:
 - (a) all information currently provided in the Utah voter information pamphlet under Chapter 7, Part 7, Voter Information Pamphlet, including a section prepared, analyzed, and submitted by the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission describing the judicial selection and retention process;
 - (b) on the homepage of the website, a link to the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission's website, judges.utah.gov;
 - (c) a link to the retention recommendation made by the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission in accordance with Title 78A, Chapter 12, Part 2, Judicial Performance Evaluation, for each judicial appointee to a court that is subject to a retention election, in accordance with Section 20A-12-201, for the upcoming general election;
 - (d) all information submitted by election officers under Subsection (4) on local office races, local office candidates, and local ballot propositions;
 - (e) a list that contains the name of a political subdivision that operates an election day voting center under Section 20A-3a-703 and the location of the election day voting center;
 - (f) other information determined appropriate by the lieutenant governor that is currently being provided by law, rule, or ordinance in relation to candidates and ballot questions;
 - (g) any differences in voting method, time, or location designated by the lieutenant governor under Subsection 20A-1-308(2); and
 - (h) an online ballot tracking system by which a voter can view the status of the voter's trackable ballot, in accordance with Section 20A-3a-401.5, including:
 - (i) when a ballot has been mailed to the voter;
 - (ii) when an election official has received the voter's ballot; and
 - (iii) when the voter's ballot has been counted.
- (4)
 - (a) An election official shall submit the following information for each ballot under the election official's direct responsibility under this title:
 - (i) a list of all candidates for each office;
 - (ii) if submitted by the candidate to the election official's office no later than 5 p.m. on the last business day that is at least 45 calendar days before the primary election or no later than 5 p.m. on the last business day that is at least 60 calendar days before the general election:
 - (A) a statement of qualifications, not exceeding 200 words in length, for each candidate;
 - (B) the following current biographical information if desired by the candidate, current:

- (I) age;
 - (II) occupation;
 - (III) city of residence;
 - (IV) years of residence in current city; and
 - (V) email address; and
- (C) a single web address where voters may access more information about the candidate and the candidate's views; and
- (iii) factual information pertaining to all ballot propositions submitted to the voters, including:
- (A) a copy of the number and ballot title of each ballot proposition;
 - (B) the final vote cast for each ballot proposition, if any, by a legislative body if the vote was required to place the ballot proposition on the ballot;
 - (C) a complete copy of the text of each ballot proposition, with all new language underlined and all deleted language placed within brackets; and
 - (D) other factual information determined helpful by the election official.
- (b) The information under Subsection (4)(a) shall be submitted to the lieutenant governor no later than one business day after the deadline under Subsection (4)(a) for each general election year and each municipal election year.
- (c) The lieutenant governor shall:
- (i) review the information submitted under this section, to determine compliance under this section, prior to placing it on the website;
 - (ii) refuse to post information submitted under this section on the website if it is not in compliance with the provisions of this section; and
 - (iii) organize, format, and arrange the information submitted under this section for the website.
- (d) The lieutenant governor may refuse to include information the lieutenant governor determines is not in keeping with:
- (i) Utah voter needs;
 - (ii) public decency; or
 - (iii) the purposes, organization, or uniformity of the website.
- (e) A refusal under Subsection (4)(d) is subject to appeal in accordance with Subsection (5).
- (5)
- (a) A person whose information is refused under Subsection (4), and who is aggrieved by the determination, may appeal by submitting a written notice of appeal to the lieutenant governor before 5 p.m. within 10 business days after the date of the determination. A notice of appeal submitted under this Subsection (5)(a) shall contain:
 - (i) a listing of each objection to the lieutenant governor's determination; and
 - (ii) the basis for each objection.
 - (b) The lieutenant governor shall review the notice of appeal and shall issue a written response within 10 business days after the day on which the notice of appeal is submitted.
 - (c) An appeal of the response of the lieutenant governor shall be made to the district court, which shall review the matter de novo.
- (6)
- (a) The lieutenant governor shall ensure that each voter will be able to conveniently enter the voter's address information on the website to retrieve information on which offices, candidates, and ballot propositions will be on the voter's ballot at the next general election or municipal election.
 - (b) The information on the website will anticipate and answer frequent voter questions including the following:
 - (i) what offices are up in the current year for which the voter may cast a vote;

- (ii) who is running for what office and who is the incumbent, if any;
 - (iii) what address each candidate may be reached at and how the candidate may be contacted;
 - (iv) for partisan races only, what, if any, is each candidate's party affiliation;
 - (v) what qualifications have been submitted by each candidate;
 - (vi) where additional information on each candidate may be obtained;
 - (vii) what ballot propositions will be on the ballot; and
 - (viii) what judges are up for retention election.
- (7) The lieutenant governor shall ensure that each voter may conveniently enter the voter's name, date of birth, and address information on the website to retrieve information on the status of the voter's ballot if the voter's ballot is trackable under Section 20A-3a-401.5.
- (8) As resources are made available and in cooperation with the county clerks, the lieutenant governor may expand the electronic voter information website program to include the same information as provided under this section for special elections and primary elections.

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