Vote Safely and Securely in the 2024 General Municipal Election

The City of West Hollywood is getting out the vote! We're reminding community members that each vote counts and your voice matters — VOTE!

The 2024 General Municipal Election will take place on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

There are many ways to vote early:

- All California active registered voters will receive a vote-by-mail ballot for the November 5, 2024 General Election.
- The LA County elections office will begin mailing ballots by October 7, 2024.
- Ballot drop-off locations open on October 8, 2024.
- Vote-by-mail ballots can be returned by mail, at a drop-off location, at a Vote Center, or at an LA County elections office.
- Many Vote Centers open for early in-person voting beginning on October 26, 2024.
- The 2024 General Municipal Election will take place on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
- Vote-by-mail ballots must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by November 12, 2024.

State and County election officials have been working to ensure there are many ways to make voting safe, secure, and accessible. Election officials have created options for:

- Voting by mail;
- Dropping a ballot off at a Ballot Drop Box or Vote Center; and
- Voting in-person at a Vote Center.

The City of West Hollywood is reminding community members to register to vote. The deadline to register is Monday, October 21, 2024. If you are registered to vote, it's a good idea to check your voter registration. To register or to confirm your registration, visit the LA County Registrar-Recorder Clerk's website lavote.gov/vrstatus or call (800) 815-2666.

Remember, in California, you're eligible to register and vote if you're:

- A United States citizen
- At least 18-years-old*
- Registered where you currently reside
- Not currently in state or federal prison or on parole for the conviction of a felony
- Not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court

*Online pre-registration is available for eligible California youth who are 16 or 17 year olds. Those who pre-register to vote will have their registration become active once they turn 18 years old. For details, visit www.sos.ca.gov/elections/pre-register-16-vote-18.

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City of West Hollywood voters will receive complete ballot information by mail. In addition to voting in the Presidential Election, locally, City of West Hollywood voters will:

- Vote to fill two (2) West Hollywood City Council seats for four-year terms; a list of qualified candidates is available at www.weho.org/elections; and
- Vote on Measure WH. If approved by West Hollywood voters, Measure WH would not enact a new sales tax. If Los Angeles County or regional government agency imposes a future sales tax that impacts West Hollywood, Measure WH will automatically redirect ¼ cent of those sales tax funds collected in West Hollywood to the City, that could be used to maintain the services local residents have indicated are important, including keeping public areas safe and clean, responding to crimes and thefts, addressing homelessness, retaining and attracting local businesses, maintaining/repairing streets, and maintaining public safety patrols in residential/commercial areas. Details are available at www.weeho.org/measurewh.

If you are already registered to vote, you will automatically receive a ballot in the mail for the 2024 General Election. Mailing of Vote-by-Mail ballots (and using Ballot Drop Box options for these ballots) begins 29 days prior to Election Day, on Monday, October 7, 2024.

Fill out the ballot, then seal, date and sign the envelope. You do not need a stamp. Simply return your ballot by mail — or drop the ballot off at any clearly marked Ballot Drop Box or at any LA County Vote Center, once Vote Centers open. You may have a trusted person return your ballot for you, but make sure it is someone you know and trust to handle your ballot

Return your ballot at any time and no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day, which is Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Ballots sent by mail will be counted if postmarked by Election Day and received within 7 days after Election Day.

The Los Angeles County Multilingual Voter Services program is available to assist voters to receive Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots in one of 13 languages. Voters may call toll-free (800) 815-2666, option 3, for assistance and to request translated election materials.

Vote early! If you are planning to return your ballot by mail, send it in as soon as you can.

Dropping a Ballot Off at a Ballot Drop Box or Vote Center

The City of West Hollywood has worked with LA County to establish three Ballot Drop Box locations in West Hollywood. These Ballot Drop Boxes are bright yellow and clearly marked. They feature safety and security features, such as 24-hour electronic monitoring. Locations are:

- West Hollywood City Hall, located at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard (Ballot Drop Box located behind City Hall, off of N. Sweetzer Avenue)
- West Hollywood Library, located at 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard (Ballot Drop Box located on the west side of the street, in front of the library)

• Plummer Park, located at 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard (Ballot Drop Box located in front of the Plummer Park Community Center)

Track Your Ballot

You can sign-up to receive personalized text messages, emails, and/or automated voice messages on your Vote-by-Mail ballot (whether sent by mail or dropped off at a Ballot Drop Box or Vote Center) by subscribing to Where's My Ballot. This is a free service available to all registered voters that provides updated information about where your ballot is and when you can expect to receive it.

Sign up to be notified of the status of your ballot at <u>california.ballottrax.net/voter</u>.

Voting In-Person at a Vote Center

Traditional neighborhood "polling places" have been replaced in Los Angeles County by Vote Centers, which allow LA County residents (which includes West Hollywood residents) to vote at any Vote Center location over an 11-day period.

Select Vote Centers will be available beginning Saturday, October 26, 2024. All Vote Centers will be available beginning Saturday, November 2, 2024.

All Los Angeles County voters will have 10 consecutive days as well as Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2024, to vote in-person at a Vote Center.

In the City of West Hollywood, there will be two Vote Centers:

- 1. Plummer Park's Fiesta Hall, located at 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, from Saturday, October 26, 2024 to Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
- 2. West Hollywood Park Aquatic & Recreation Center, located at 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard, from Saturday, November 2, 2024 to Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

For additional Vote Center locations, visit https://locator.lavote.gov/locations/vc. (This list will be made available 30-40 days before Election Day.)

During the early voting period, from Saturday, October 26, 2024 to Monday, November 4, 2024, Vote Centers will be open every day from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. On Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2024, Vote Centers will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Health and safety is a priority. All Vote Centers will follow state and county public health and safety guidelines.

For More Information

For more information about the 2024 General Municipal Election, Los Angeles County information is available at www.lavote.gov and City of West Hollywood information is at available at www.weho.org/elections. For questions, call the City of West Hollywood's City Clerk's Office at (323) 848-6800.