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RE: June 3, 2008 Primary Municipal Election

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**SUBJECT: JUNE 3, 2008 PRIMARY MUNICIPAL ELECTION**

For the purpose of electing the Mayor of Sacramento and Sacramento City Council Members in Council Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 for terms expiring November 25, 2008.

**BACKGROUND:**

Pursuant to Sacramento City Charter, City Council Members shall serve four-year terms, with terms being staggered. In 2008, the terms for the Mayor and Members of Council Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 will expire. In December of 2007, the Sacramento City Council called a June 2008 election for the purposes of electing members to these seats.

**CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS:**

A candidate must be an elector and a resident within the district the candidate seeks to represent for not less than 30 days preceding the date of filing candidate papers (no later than 2/6/08). The candidate's qualifications will be verified through Sacramento County voter registration files prior to the issuance of a nomination package. Elector and resident status must be maintained during the term of office.

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**NOMINATION PERIOD:**

The nomination period commences Monday, February 11, 2008 and ends at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 7, 2008. The Sacramento City Clerk will issue and accept for filing official nomination documents during regular business hours. These hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays. The City of Sacramento will be closed on Monday, February 18, 2008 in observance of President's Day.

If the current office holder (incumbent) does not file his/her nomination documents by the March 7, 2008 deadline, the nomination period shall be extended (in only that district) to Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. The incumbent cannot file nomination documents during this extended period.

During the nomination period, the candidate will complete a variety of documents. These documents include the Nomination Petition, Statement of Economic Interests Form 700, Candidate Statement, Statement of Acceptance/Rejection of Public Financing, Code of Fair Campaign Practices and a variety of other required and optional forms.

On the Nomination Petition, the candidate must obtain no less than 20, and no more than 30 signatures of registered voters in his/her district in order to qualify for placement on the ballot. There is no filing fee.

**DATES:** The following events and/or activities are scheduled to occur.

<b>Event/Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>
City of Sacramento Calls Primary Election	12/11/07
Nomination Period Opens	02/11/08
First Day Campaign Signs May Be Erected	03/05/08
Nomination Period Closes	03/07/08
Extended Nomination Period Closes (if applicable)	03/12/08
Secretary of State Holds Random Alpha Drawing	03/13/08
Write-In Nomination Period Opens	04/07/08
Last Date to Register to Vote	05/19/08
Write-In Nomination Period Closes	05/20/08
Election Day	06/03/08
Semi-Official Results Available	06/04/08

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**RESULTS:** In order to be successful in the June 3, 2008 Primary Election, one candidate must receive a majority of votes cast in that candidate's particular district. If one candidate does not win a majority (50% plus 1) of the votes cast, the top-two vote receivers will be placed on the November 4, 2008 ballot for a run off. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the run off will be declared elected.

The voted ballots will be canvassed by the Sacramento County Office of Voter Registration and Elections and certified to the City of Sacramento. Upon receipt of the election certification, the Sacramento City Council will adopt the results via resolution. Candidates winning in June will not be sworn in until Tuesday November 25, 2008 when the terms of the Mayor and Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 expire.

### **CAMPAIGN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:**

Candidates who plan to raise contributions and/or make campaign expenditures of \$1,000 or more must form a campaign committee. This also applies to individuals who intend to raise and/or spend funds in support of or opposition to a candidate whose name will appear on the ballot.

An individual, group of individuals, organization or any other entity is a "committee" if it makes or receives "contributions" or makes "independent expenditures" as defined in the Political Reform Act. All committees are required to file periodic campaign disclosure statements with the appropriate filing officer (City Clerk) disclosing contributions received and expenditures made.

Any individual, or group of individuals, who anticipate receiving and/or spending funds to support or oppose a candidate, should contact the Sacramento City Clerk's Office at (916) 808-7200 and request the current Fair Political Practices Commission Information Manual on Campaign Disclosure Provisions of the Political Reform Act, or access the State Fair Political Practices Commission web page at **<http://www.fppc.ca.gov/index.html?id=20>**.

In addition, the City of Sacramento requires that campaign disclosure statements be filed electronically in addition to an originally signed paper version. All statements must be filed into the City's Online Campaign Statement system.

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The Online Campaign Statement system may be accessed at <http://www.cityofsacramento.org>. The system is used by the candidates to prepare or upload statements, or by any interested parties to search or browse the contents. For more information on use of the system, contact Chris Everman, Sr. Deputy City Clerk, at 808-5202 for assistance.

Qualified committees shall file statements on the following schedule:

<b>Event/Activity</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>
Semi-Annual Statement (Period 7/1/07–12/31/07)	01/31/08
Supplemental Pre-Election Statement (1/1/08–3/7/08)	03/12/08
1 <sup>st</sup> Pre-Election Statement (Period 3/8/08–3/17/08)	03/22/08
2 <sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election Statement (Period 3/18/08–5/17/08)	05/22/08
Late Contribution Reporting (Period 5/18/08–6/2/06)	24 Hours
Supplemental Post-Election Statement (Period 5/18/08–6/30/08) *	07/07/08
Semi-Annual Statement (Period 5/21/06–6/30/06) *	07/07/08
Termination Statement (Period 7/1/06-Closing Date)	Upon Close
Semi-Annual Statement (Period 7/1/08-12/31/08)	01/31/09

\* The Supplemental Post-Election Statement and Semi-Annual Statement shall be combined and filed no later than July 7, 2008. This only applies to committees involved in the election.

### **CAMPAIGN FINANCE REGULATIONS:**

The City of Sacramento has adopted local campaign finance regulations, which apply to all candidates and candidate committees in some form or another. These regulations provide for public campaign financing (also referred to as matching funds), restrict spending and place limits on contributions.

Campaign finance regulations are very complicated. Interested individuals should refer to the City Code Chapters 2.13 and 2.14, which can be accessed on the City web page.

Generally, contribution limits for a Council Member are \$900 from a person and \$3,500 from a City-registered large political committee. The spending limits are \$82,000 (if accepting public financing). The public matching fund limits are \$32,800 per candidate.

Generally, contribution limits for a Mayor are \$1,150 from a person and \$5,580 from a City-registered large political committee. The spending limits are \$548,000 (if accepting public financing). The public matching fund limits are \$109,600 per candidate.

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**PUBLIC INFORMATION:**

City election information is available in the Sacramento City Clerk's Office at Historic City Hall, 915 I Street, Room 116, Sacramento, CA 95814 or by calling (916) 808-7200. General information is also available on line at [http://www.cityofsacramento.org/clerk/election\\_info/2008/](http://www.cityofsacramento.org/clerk/election_info/2008/).

After nomination documents are filed, the documents will be available for public review and purchase of copies (except nomination petitions). Candidate statement shall remain confidential until one working day following the filing deadline.

Copies are \$0.10 per page for most materials, and by regulation, \$0.10 per page for campaign disclosure statements and the statement of economic interests form.

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