



PRESS RELEASE

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Filing for Office for the Regular Municipal Election of April 3, 2018 Opens Friday, January 19, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Filing for office begins at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 19, 2019 for the April 3, 2018 Regular Municipal Election. Candidate filing forms are available at muni.org/elections. Forms will also be available in the Clerk's Office at City Hall and at the MOA Election Center, 619 E. Ship Creek Avenue, Suite 100, Door D. Filing for office closes at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 2, 2018.

Offices on the 2018 ballot include: Mayor; School Board Seat E, School Board Seat F, School Board Seat G, and various Service Area Board of Supervisors Seats.

On Thursday, January 18, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. the public is invited to witness the random drawing of letters of the alphabet by the Municipal Clerk; this drawing will determine the order the candidates' names will appear on the 2018 Regular Municipal Election ballot, pursuant to Anchorage Municipal Code 28.40.010C. **The drawing will take place in the Municipal Clerk's Office at City Hall, Suite 250, 632 West 6th Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501.**

The April 3, 2018 Regular Municipal Election is the inaugural Vote by Mail election in Anchorage.

Anchorage will no longer operate traditional polling locations. Instead, qualified registered voters will be mailed a ballot package 21 days before Election Day. Voters will have the opportunity to study the ballot with trusted resources, mark their choices, sign the voter declaration, and return their ballot.

As Anchorage transitions, the Municipal Clerk's Office reminds voters that, "Vote by Mail is as easy as 1-2-3!"

1. Vote your ballot, filling in the ovals completely, place the ballot in the security envelope, then place both into the ballot return envelope.
2. Sign the declaration on the back of the ballot return envelope.
3. Return your ballot with a first class postage through the United States Postal Service or save postage and drop it at a secure ballot Drop Box or return it to an Accessible Vote Center.

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