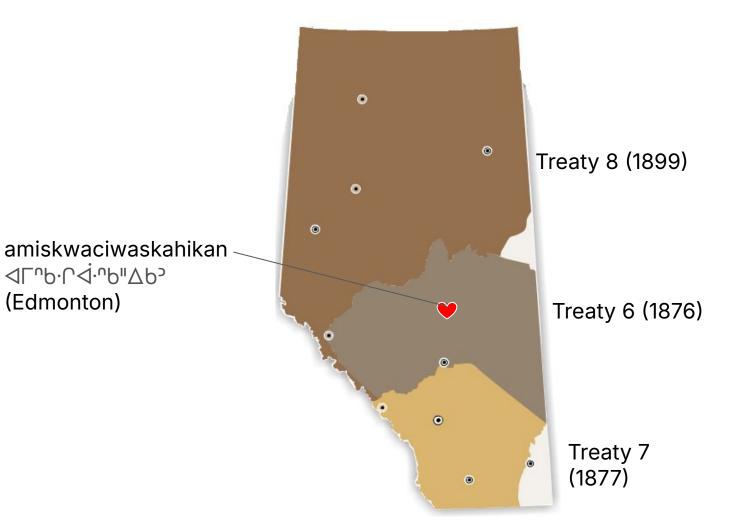
# Virtual Information Session 2025 Edmonton Election Campaign Period

Date: October 31, 2024





(Edmonton)









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#### **Agenda**

- About Edmonton Elections
- Launch of Campaign Period
- Key Dates
- Questions email to elections@edmonton.ca
- Staying Connected





#### **Edmonton Elections**

The non-partisan team within the Office of the City Clerk

This team plans and executes the Edmonton Election on behalf of:

- City of Edmonton,
- Edmonton School Division and
- Edmonton Catholic Separate School Division.





### **Recent Changes in Legislation**

- Longer campaign period
- Political parties and slates of candidates
- Expands special (mail in) ballot eligibility
- Permanent local electors register
- Prohibits use of tabulators (we now hand count)









# **Start of the Campaign Period**

**Dates:** October 31, 2024 to December 31, 2025

#### What this means:

- Candidates for Edmonton City Council, Edmonton School Division and Edmonton Catholic Separate School Division can submit their notice of intent to run.
- Local political parties and slates of candidates can submit their registration.
- Once accepted campaign contributions can be accepted and campaign expenses can be incurred.





#### **Candidate Notice of Intent**

- Notice of intent must have following information:
  - Name, address and contact information for candidate
  - Records address
  - Name and address for campaign's financial institution
  - Names of signing authorities
- Names of candidates will be added to the Register of Candidates, located at <u>edmonton.ca/elections</u>.
- After submitting their notice, candidates can begin accepting campaign contributions and incurring campaign expenses.





### **Local Political Party & A Slate**

- Multiple purposes, including endorsing candidates and support their election
- Minimum of 5 candidates
- Can receive campaign contributions and incur expenses
- Operate beyond the election

- Fundamental purpose is to support the election of the slate's members
- Minimum of 2 candidates
- Cannot receive campaign contributions or incur expenses
- Exist only for the duration of the election

\*As of October 31, 2024





### Register a Slate of Candidates

#### **Registration Package**

- Full name of slate and any abbreviation(s)
- Names, addresses and signature of all candidates
- Addresses for records and communications
- A statement of purpose for the slate of candidates





### Register a Local Political Party

#### **Registration Package**

- Registration form (available on <u>edmonton.ca/elections</u>)
- Statement of assets and liabilities
- Signatures of 1,000 political party members currently eligible to vote
- At least five candidates who have submitted their notices of intent to Edmonton Elections
- Statement of political party's purpose

#### **Timeline for Review**

Up to 15 business days

#### **Contribution Limits**

	Municipal Candidates	School Board Candidates	Local Political Parties	Slates
Candidate Self-finance	\$10,000/campaign period	\$10,000/campaign period	N/A	N/A
Individuals	\$5,000/yr to all candidates in municipality	\$5,000/yr to all candidates in each division	\$5,000/yr to all registered parties in each jurisdiction	\$0
Corporation, trade union or employee organization	\$5,000/campaign period to all candidates in municipality	\$5,000/campaign period to all candidates in each division	\$5,000/year to all registered parties in each jurisdiction	<b>\$</b> 0





## **Expense Limits**

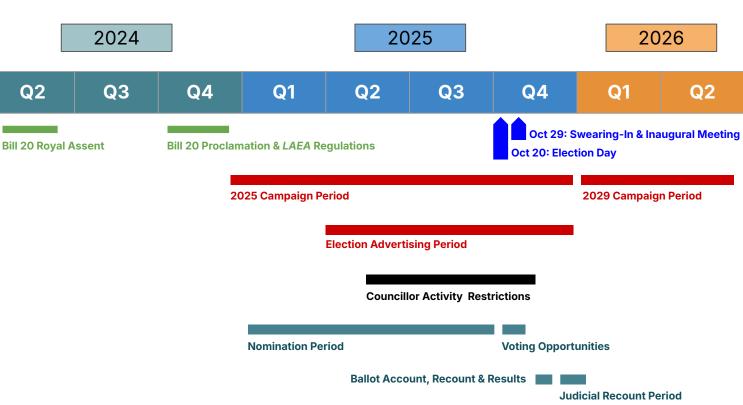
	2024	2025	2026-27
Candidate - Mayor	\$505,449.50	\$1,010,899.00	\$0.00
Candidate - Councillor	\$42,120.79	\$84,241.58	\$0.00
Local Political Party Per ward contested	\$42,120.79	\$84,241.58	\$0.00
Maximum (12 wards)	\$505,449.50	\$1,010,899.00	\$0.00
Slate	Expenses split equally to candidates		













**Email questions to elections@edmonton.ca** 





### **How to Stay Informed**

- Follow @EdmElections on X
- Regularly check <u>edmonton.ca/elections</u>
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