



Agenda
Special Committee on Reducing Red Tape
Regular Meeting
St. Louis Board of Aldermen
Wednesday, November 19, 2025 - 12:30 PM
Webinar

President Megan Green
Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer, Chair
Alderman, Michael Browning, Vice Chair
Committee Members:
Alderman Bret Narayan
Alderman Michael Browning
Alderwoman Daniela Velazquez
Alderman Rasheen Aldridge
Alderwoman Jamie Cox-Antwi

Order of Business

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Wednesday, January 29, 2025, committee meeting.

IV. Board Bills for Review

(The committee will discuss the following and take public comment on the following)

Board Bill Number 88

Introduced by Aldermen Michael Browning

An ordinance updating Title Two, Elections, of the Municipal Code of the City of St. Louis. Updating, clarifying, and removing outdated language within the election code, including filing fees, the certificate for nomination, and containing procedures in the event of a tie.

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

None

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

VIII. Announcements

IX. Excused Members

X. Adjournment



**Preliminary Minutes
Special Committee on Reducing Red Tape
St. Louis Board of Aldermen
Wednesday, January 29, 2025– 8:30am
Webinar**

Alderman Daniela Velazquez, Chair
Alderman Thomas Oldenburg, Vice Chair
Committee Members:
Alderman Cara Spencer
Alderman Bret Narayan
Alderman Shameem Clark-Hubbard
Alderman Laura Keys
Alderman Alisha Sonnier

Megan Green, President

Order of Business

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:37 am.

II. Roll Call

The following members were present: Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Sonnier, Chair Velazquez and President Green. **5 members were present. A quorum was established.**

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Monday, January 27, 2025 committee meeting.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, January 27, 2025 committee meeting.

Mr. Narayan moved to approve the minutes of the Monday, January 27, 2025 committee meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Sonnier, Chair Velazquez and President Green. **5 Ayes votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None.

The following voted Present:

None

The following voted Abstained:

None

The following members were present in the meeting but did not cast a vote:

None

A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.

IV. Board Bills for Review

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

Item Number 1

Board Bill Number 14

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

An Ordinance which amends **Chapter 8 of the St. Louis Revised Codes** to streamline food truck operations

The Chair recognized Mr. Aldridge on Board Bill Number 114

Mr. Aldridge provided an overview of the Board Bill Number 114.

Mr. Aldridge stated that after hearing the concerns of his colleagues and residents that he has a committee sub and 2 amendments.

The Chair entertained a made a motion to adopt Committee Substitute to Board Bill Number 14.

President Green made a motion to adopt the Committee Substitute to Board Bill Number 14.

Ms. Spencer asked if there could be a discussion on the Committee Substitute

Mr. Aldridge provided an explanation of the changes that were made in the Committee Substitute.

Ms. Spencer expressed her concerns about the distancing and enforcement.

Ms. Spencer asked if the sales tax in place for all brick and mortar be attached to food trucks while they are there.

Ms. Aldridge stated that they do apply and would not be changed as a result of this legislation.

Seconded by Ms. Velazquez.

The Chair recognized Mr. Browning to ask a question.

Mr. Browning asked Mr. Aldridge if he is willing to work with him on this bill.

Mr. Aldridge stated he would be open to working him on this bill.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded. The following voted Aye: Mr. Narayan, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Sonnier, Chair Velazquez and President Green. **5 Ayes votes were cast.**

The following voted No:
Ms. Spencer, Mr. Oldenburg, Ms., Keys

The following voted Present:
None

The following voted Abstained:
None

The following members were present in the meeting but did not cast a vote:
None

A total of 8 votes were cast. The motion carried.

The Chair recognized Mr. Aldridge on Amendment Number 1 to Board Bill Number 14CS.

Mr. Aldridge stated he also has an amendment and provided an explanation of the amendment.

The Chair entertained a motion to adopt Amendment Number 1 to Board Bill 114 CS.

Ms. Sonnier made a motion to adopt Amendment Number 1 to Board Bill 114 CS.

Seconded by Chair Velazquez.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded. The following voted Aye: Mr. Narayan, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Sonnier, Chair Velazquez and President Green. **5 Ayes votes were cast.**

The following voted No:
Ms. Spencer, Mr. Oldenburg, Ms., Keys

The following voted Present:
None

The following voted Abstained:
None

The following members were present in the meeting but did not cast a vote:

None

A total of 8 votes were cast. The motion carried.

The Chair recognized Mr. Aldridge on Amendment Number 2 to Board Bill Number 114CS.

Mr. Aldridge stated this amendment was an attempt to address the issues surrounding food trucks operating in city parks.

The Chair entertained made a motion to adopt Amendment Number 2 to Board Bill 114 CS.

Ms. Sonnier made a motion to adopt Amendment Number 2 to Board Bill 114 CS.

Ms. Keys stated she that she would like her ward excused for this legislation.

Ms. Spencer asked if there is a mechanism in place for communities that do not wish to be included during specific times.

Ms. Aldridge responded that Section 2, letter M, outlines how residents can express whether they want food trucks in the park or not.

Seconded by Chair Velazquez.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded. The following voted Aye: Mr. Narayan, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Sonnier, Chair Velazquez and President Green. **5 Ayes votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

Ms. Spencer, Mr. Oldenburg, Ms., Keys

The following voted Present:

None

The following voted Abstained:

None

The following members were present in the meeting but did not cast a vote:

None

A total of 8 votes were cast. The motion carried.

The Chair recognized members of the Board of Aldermen who are not members of the Committee for comments.

Ms. Tyus provided comments on the bill.

After no further comment from the members of the Board of Aldermen, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the public:

Members of the public		
In Support	In Opposition	Undecided
Buzz Moore	Jim Dwyer	
Bryan Scott	Kate Haher	
Avery Frank	James Page	
Jennifer McDonald	Amber Cole	
David Wingo		

After Public Comment, the Chair recognized Mr. Boyd to speak on Board Bill Number 114CSAAIC.

Ms. Boyd asked if certain area can be excluded in this Board Bill Number 114CSAAIC.

Mr. Aldridge stated they are only allowed to operate in commercial and industrial districts,

The Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee. The committee members asked questions and asked questions.

Mr. Oldenburg asked if GSL and the restaurant association.

Mr. Aldridge stated the Executive Director of the Restaurant Association was at the Monday meeting and provided their support and Adam with GSL was instrumental in drafting the language in the initial bill. However, Adam is no longer with GSL and GSL is not onboard right now.

After no questions from the Committee, the Chair recognized Mr. Aldridge to close.

Mr. Aldridge thanked the committee and asked for a Do Pass Recommendation on Board Bill Number 114CSAAIC.

The Chair entertained made a motion to Pass Board Bill Number 114CSAA with a Do Pass Recommendation.

President Green made a motion to adopt Board Bill Number 114CSAA with a Do Pass Recommendation

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

None

VII. Acknowledgement of Any Written Testimony

written testimony in opposition-3

written testimony in support-2

VIII. Announcements

None

IX. Excused Alderman

The Chair excused Ms. Spencer for necessary absences.

X. Adjournment

After having no further business to discuss, the Chair stated that she would make a motion to adjourn.

Ms. Sonnier made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by President Green.

The motion was carried out by unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned a 10:41 am p.m.

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Summary
Board Bill Number 88
Introduction by Alderman Michael Browning
October 24, 2025

An ordinance updating **Title Two, Elections, of the Municipal** Code of the City of St. Louis. Updating, clarifying, and removing outdated language within the election code, including filing fees, the certificate for nomination, and containing procedures in the event of a tie.

**BOARD BILL NUMBER 88 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MICHAEL BROWNING
COSPONSORS: ALDERMAN MATT DEVOTI/ PRESIDENT MEGAN GREEN**

1 An ordinance updating **Title Two, Elections, of the Municipal Code** of the City of St. Louis.
2 Updating, clarifying, and removing outdated language within the election code, including filing
3 fees, the certificate for nomination, and containing procedures in the event of a tie.

4 **WHEREAS**, this section of the municipal code was last updated in 1994 and still includes
5 language from 1948; and

6 **WHEREAS**, in 2020, the citizens of St. Louis voted to change the voting mechanism to non-
7 partisan approval voting, but the entire code was not updated to reflect this revision; and

8 **WHEREAS**, fair elections are the foundation of democracy, and a clear code is vital for the
9 general public to understand; and

10 **WHEREAS**, approval voting works best when there are multiple qualified candidates to choose
11 from, and in a democracy, elected office is open to anyone who meets the qualifications.

12 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS, AS FOLLOWS:**

13 **SECTION ONE. Repeal.**

14 **Ordinance Number 42880, 50111, 55836, 58267, 59982, 66193, 68605, 69350, 71736, 70864,**
15 **70865, 70866, 70991** are hereby repealed in their entirety. Chapters 2.04 and 2.08 are hereby
16 repealed and, enacted in lieu thereof is the following.

17 **SECTION TWO. Chapter 2.08**

18 **Chapter 2.08 - ELECTION RULES AND PROCEDURES**

19 2.08.010 - Municipal elections.

20 The provisions of this chapter shall apply to municipal elections in the City of St. Louis
21 for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and
22 Alderperson. To the extent not in conflict with the provisions of this chapter, the
23 provisions of Missouri statutes and City of St. Louis Charter now in force in relation to

1 the holding of elections, for solicitation of voters at the polls, the challenging of votes,
2 the manner of conducting elections, of counting the ballots and making the returns
3 thereof, and all other kindred subjects, shall apply to all elections held under the
4 provisions of this chapter.

5 2.08.020 - Conduct of Municipal Elections

6 A. For the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and
7 Alderperson, including, without limitation, elections to fill vacancies in such offices, shall
8 be conducted as non-partisan, top-two runoff elections.

9 B. In the primary election for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of
10 Aldermen, and Alderperson, including, without limitation, elections to fill vacancies in such
11 offices, voters shall select as many candidates as they approve of for each office. The two
12 candidates receiving the most votes for each office shall advance to the general election. The
13 candidate for each office receiving the most votes in the general election shall be declared
14 the winner.

15 2.08.030 - Notice of Election.

16 A. Notice of Primary Election - At least twenty five (25) days prior to the opening of filing
17 for a primary election, the Board of Aldermen shall pass a resolution calling the primary
18 election. The resolution shall designate the municipal offices to be voted on at the primary
19 election and the date the primary election is to be held. At least twenty (20) days prior to the
20 opening of filing for a primary election, the City Register shall deliver the official notice
21 calling for the election to the Board of Election Commissioners. Upon receipt, the Board of
22 Election Commissioners shall promptly post the notice received on its website.

1 B. Notice of Special Election - At least twenty five (25) days prior to the opening of filing
2 for a special election to fill a vacancy, the Board of Aldermen shall pass a resolution calling
3 the special election. The resolution for a special election to fill a vacancy shall designate the
4 name of the office to be filled, the date of the election, and the date by which candidates
5 must be filed for the office. At least twenty (20) days prior to the opening of filing for a
6 special election, the City Register shall deliver the official notice calling for the election to
7 the Board of Election Commissioners. Upon receipt, the Board of Election Commissioners
8 shall promptly post the notice received on its website. Not later than the sixth Tuesday prior
9 to any special election to fill a vacancy called by a political subdivision or special district,
10 the City Register shall certify a sample ballot to the Board of Election Commissioners.
11 Upon receipt, the Board of Election Commissioners shall promptly post the sample ballot on
12 its website.

13 2.08.040 – Dates of Municipal Elections

14 A. Primary election date. Primary elections shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first
15 Monday in the month of March.

16 B. General municipal election date. General municipal elections shall be held on the first
17 Tuesday following the first Monday in the month of April.

18 C. When a vacancy occurs in an office one hundred and eighty (180) days or more prior to a
19 city general election, such vacancy shall be filled through special election with the primary
20 election no sooner than sixty (60) days and no later than seventy five (75) days after the
21 occurrence of the vacancy and the general election no sooner than forty two (42) days and
22 no later than fifty six (56) days after the primary election. If there is no primary election,

1 then the general election shall be no sooner than sixty (60) days and no later than seventy
2 five (75) days after the occurrence of the vacancy.

3 2.08.050 - Candidate Filing Requirements.

4 A. Time and Procedure for Filing a Declaration of Candidacy. The name of a candidate shall
5 not be upon any official ballot at any election held under the provisions of this chapter
6 unless the following provisions are followed.

7 a. At least sixty (60) days prior to such primary election and on or before five p.m. of
8 such day, but not before one hundred (100) days prior to such primary election at eight
9 a.m. of such day, a written declaration of candidacy shall be filed by the candidate to the
10 Board of Election Commissioners stating in typewritten or printed words the candidate's
11 full name, as it appears on their voter registration card, residence, and occupation, the
12 office for which they proposes as candidate, that the candidate and members of their
13 family within the second degree of affinity have received no personal remuneration, or
14 any personal gift, or other personal favor or promise for their filing such declaration of
15 candidacy, and that if nominated and elected, to such office the candidate will qualify.

16 Such declaration of candidacy shall be substantially in the following form:

17 I, the undersigned _____, having a residential address of
18 _____, St. Louis, Missouri 631 __, and having an occupation of
19 _____, and being a resident and qualified elector of the _____
20 precinct of the _____ ward, in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, do
21 announce myself as a candidate for the office of _____, to be voted for at
22 the primary election to be held on the _____ day of _____,

1 and I declare that neither I, nor any member of my family within the second
2 degree of affinity, has received any personal remuneration, or any personal gift,
3 or other personal favor or promise for filing this declaration; and I further declare
4 that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

5 Signed
6 _____

7 b. To be nominated to run for the office of Mayor, Comptroller, or President of the
8 Board of Aldermen, Candidates must be nominated by a certificate signed by registered
9 electors of the city to a number equal to two percent (2%) of the entire vote cast at the
10 last preceding election of a mayor. To be nominated to run for the office of Alderperson,
11 candidates must be nominated by a certificate signed by registered electors of the ward
12 for which the candidate seeks election to a number equal to two percent (2%) of the
13 entire vote cast within their ward at the last preceding election of a mayor. Such
14 certificates of nomination by electors shall be filed in the office of the Board of Election
15 Commissioners contemporaneously with the candidate's declaration of candidacy.

16 c. Each candidate shall pay a filing fee to the Treasurer of the City as follows: two
17 hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for candidates for Mayor, President of the Board of
18 Aldermen, and Comptroller, and one hundred dollars (\$100) for candidates for
19 Alderperson, take a receipt therefor, and file this receipt with their declaration of
20 candidacy. The sum of money, so paid, shall go into the general revenue fund of the
21 City.

1 d. Contemporaneously with submitting their declaration of candidacy, each candidate
2 shall certify to the Board of Election Commissioners that such candidate is not
3 delinquent in the payment of any of the taxes or bills for services set forth in subsection
4 A of section 2.08.055.

5 2.08.055 - Proof of Payment of taxes and bills for services by candidates for elective office.

6 A. Any individual who is delinquent in the filing or payment of any of the following taxes
7 or bills for services shall be prohibited from filing as a candidate, including, without
8 limitation, as a write-in candidate, for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis:

9 a. Personal property tax;

10 b. Real property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are wholly or
11 partially owned by the individual filing for elected office;

12 c. City of St. Louis earnings tax; and

13 d. City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.

14 B. Any individual filing as a candidate for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis
15 shall, at the time of their filing, provide the Board of Election Commissioners with proof
16 they are not delinquent in the filing or payment of any of the taxes or bills for services set
17 forth in subsection A of this section, which proof shall be provided in the following form
18 and manner:

19 AFFIRMATION OF PAYMENT OF TAXES AND BILLS FOR SERVICES

20 I, [full legal name of candidate], hereby declare and affirm under penalties of perjury

21 that I am not delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property tax, real

1 property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are wholly or partially
2 owned by me, City of St. Louis earnings tax, and City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.
3 As evidence of the foregoing, I have attached hereto official copies of receipts or
4 statements from the Collector of Revenue verifying that no such delinquencies exist.

5 Date:

6 _____

7 Candidate's Signature

8 _____

9 Printed Name

10 _____

11 Such affidavit shall have attached thereto:

12 1. Official copies of receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of
13 Revenue evidencing the individual is not delinquent in the payment of any of the
14 taxes set forth in subsection A of this section; and

15 2. Official statements from the Collector of Revenue evidencing the individual is
16 not delinquent in the payment of any of the bills for services set forth in subsection
17 A of this section.

18 C. Any individual who fails to comply with the requirements of this chapter shall be
19 prohibited from filing as a candidate for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis
20 until they have met said requirements, and subject to City of St. Louis ordinances
21 governing the timing for candidates to file for an elected public office of the City of St.
22 Louis.

1 D. The Board of Election Commissioners shall ensure that individuals who do not meet the
2 requirements of this chapter are not allowed to file as candidates for an elected public
3 office of the City of St. Louis until said requirements have been met, and subject to City of
4 St. Louis ordinances governing the timing for candidates to file for an elected public office
5 of the City of St. Louis; and

6 E. On the day immediately following the last day on which individuals may file as
7 candidates for an elective public office of the City of St. Louis, the Board of Election
8 Commissioners shall send the list of declared candidates to the Collector of Revenue who
9 shall certify that every candidate is not delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal
10 property taxes, real property taxes on any real property located within the City of St. Louis
11 and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings taxes, or the payment of City of
12 St. Louis water and refuse bills. If any candidate is delinquent, then the Collector of
13 Revenue shall notify the Board of Election Commissioners in writing. In the event that a
14 candidate is delinquent in the payment of any of the foregoing taxes or bills such
15 candidate's name shall not be placed on the ballot, and such candidate shall be barred from
16 participating in the current election and, if the current election is a primary election, barred
17 from refiling as a candidate for the same office or any other elected office of the City of St.
18 Louis in the subsequent general election.

19 2.08.060 Withdrawal of Candidacy, Deadline for, How Made.

20 Any person who has filed a declaration of candidacy for nomination and who wishes to
21 withdraw as a candidate shall, not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day that is fifty (50) days
22 prior to such primary election, file a written, sworn statement of withdrawal in the office

1 of the Board of Election Commissioners. The name of a person who has filed a
2 declaration of candidacy who has not given notice of withdrawal as provided in this
3 section, shall be printed on the official primary ballot.

4 2.08.070 – Ballot order.

5 The names of the candidates for each office on a ballot shall be listed in the order in
6 which they are filed, except that, in the case of candidates who file a declaration of
7 candidacy with the Board of Election Commissioners prior to 5:00 p.m. on the first day
8 for filing, the Board of Election Commissioners shall determine by random drawing the
9 order in which such candidates' names shall appear on the ballot. The drawing shall be
10 conducted so that each candidate may draw a number at random at the time of filing.

11 The Board of Election Commissioners shall record the number drawn with the
12 candidate's declaration of candidacy. The names of candidates filing on the first day for
13 filing for each office shall be listed on a ballot in ascending order of the numbers so
14 drawn.

15 2.08.080 - Election notice—Contents—Publishing.

16 The Board of Election Commissioners shall publish a notice stating the name of the
17 officer or agency calling the election, the date of the election, the hours during which the
18 polls will be open, that the election will be held at the regular polling places in each
19 precinct, and a sample ballot. It shall be the duty of the Board to publish on the Board of
20 Election Commissioners website the notice for three weeks prior to the primary and
21 general election.

22 2.08.090 - Ballots—Sample—Certification—Distribution.

1 Immediately upon the close of filing, the Board of Election Commissioners shall prepare
2 a sample ballot and transmit the ballot to the Register and to each candidate.

3 A. The Register shall consult with the City Counselor's office and review the proposed
4 sample ballot as to form. No later than 5:00 p.m. on the 10th Tuesday prior to a primary
5 election, the Register shall either approve the proposed sample ballot or submit ballot
6 changes to the Board of Election Commissioners. Upon approval of the sample ballot by the
7 Register or correction of any changes to the sample ballot, the sample ballot will be deemed
8 certified by the Register. The certified sample ballot shall be the official ballot. No
9 candidate's name which appears on the certified sample ballot approved by the Register
10 shall be stricken or removed from the ballot except for the death of a candidate or by court
11 order, but in no event shall a candidate or issue be stricken or removed from the ballot less
12 than eight weeks before the date of any election.

13 B. The Board of Election Commissioners shall mail a copy to each candidate to their post
14 office address, as given in their declaration of candidacy, shall post a copy of each sample
15 ballot in a conspicuous place in the Board of Election Commissioners' office, and on the
16 Board of Election Commissioners' website. Candidates have one week to inform the Board
17 of Election Commissioners of any errors or omissions in the ballots.

18 C. On or before twenty one (21) days before the holding of the election, the Board of
19 Election Commissioners shall correct any errors or omissions in the ballots.

20 2.08.100 - Election expenses.

1 All ballots, blanks, and other supplies to be used at any election held under the
2 provisions of this chapter, and all expenses necessarily incurred in the preparation for or
3 in conducting such election, shall be paid out of the Treasury of the City.

4 2.08.110 - Ballot instructions for municipal primary elections.

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the primary election for
6 the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and
7 Alderperson, the instructions on the ballot shall state, "Vote for AS MANY names as
8 you approve of," with "AS MANY" being written in uppercase.

9 2.08.120 - Ballots.

10 A. At all primary elections conducted under this chapter, there shall be a nonpartisan ballot,
11 upon which, under the appropriate title of each office, shall be printed the names of all
12 persons who filed a declaration of candidacy, as required by this chapter. The names of all
13 candidates shall be arranged under the appropriate title of the respective offices.

14 B. At all general elections, there shall be a nonpartisan ballot upon which, under the
15 appropriate title of each office, shall be printed the names of the two individuals who
16 received the most votes at the primary election for such office. If there is only one candidate
17 for an office, then only their name is to appear on the ballot, and a write-in option.

18 C. It shall be the duty of the election judges designated by the Board of Election
19 Commissioners to deliver the ballot to the electors. Before delivering any ballot to the
20 elector, the two judges of election having charge of the ballot shall write their names or
21 initials upon the ballot, and no other writing shall be on the ballot except the number of the
22 ballot voted.

1 2.08.130 - Voter qualifications.

2 No person shall be entitled to vote at any primary or general election under this chapter
3 unless they are a qualified elector of the precinct and duly registered therein.

4 2.08.140 - Challengers and Watchers.

5 A. Challengers shall be selected and shall perform the duties as established in section
6 115.105 RSMo.

7 B. Watchers shall be selected and shall perform the duties as established in section 115.107
8 RSMo.

9 C. The Board of Election Commissioners shall verify that all challengers and watchers
10 possess the qualifications required by state statutes.

11 2.08.150 - Canvass of votes.

12 The Board of Election Commissioners shall be responsible for the counting of votes and
13 certification of election results for elections conducted under this chapter pursuant to the
14 applicable state statutes.

15 2.08.160 - Ties.

16 A. If two or more candidates receive an equal number of votes for nomination at a primary
17 election to the office of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or
18 Aldersperson of a particular ward, and a higher number of votes than all but one other
19 candidate for nomination to the same office, the two candidates shall be deemed tied for the
20 second of the top two candidates from such primary election. In such event, the Board of
21 Election Commissioners shall, immediately after the results of the election have been
22 certified, issue a proclamation stating the fact and ordering that such tie will be resolved by

1 declaring that the winner is the candidate who has the most verified signatures for
2 nomination. In the case that the candidates have the same number of verified signatures for
3 nomination, the tie shall be determined by a coin flip and shall be flipped and called by a
4 Board of Election Commissioners Representative using a Democrat representative in odd
5 ward years and a Republican representative in even ward years, with both candidates having
6 the opportunity to be present.

7 B. If two candidates receive an equal number of votes at a general election to the office of
8 Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or Alderperson of a particular
9 ward, the two candidates shall be deemed tied for election to such office. In such event, the
10 Board of Election Commissioners shall, immediately after the results of the election have
11 been certified, issue a proclamation stating the fact and ordering that such tie will be
12 resolved by declaring that the winner is the candidate who has the most verified signatures
13 for nomination. In the case that the candidates have the same number of verified signatures
14 for nomination, the tie shall be determined by a coin flip and shall be flipped and called by a
15 Board of Election Commissioners Representative using a Democrat representative in odd
16 ward years and a Republican representative in even ward years, with both candidates having
17 the opportunity to be present.

18 2.08.170 - Declaration of results—Certificate of nomination.

19 Immediately upon the completion of the canvass of the returns of the primary election,
20 the Board of Election Commissioners shall declare the result and issue a certificate of
21 nomination to the top two persons receiving the highest number of votes for nomination
22 for an office or to the sole candidate if there was only one candidate for an office at the

1 primary election. The Board of Election Commissioners shall send copies of all
2 certificates of nomination issued, along with a copy of the sample ballot to be placed
3 before voters at the municipal general election, to the Register.

4 2.08.180 - Disclosure of donors.

5 Any nonprofit entity organized or operating under sections 501(c)4 or 501(c)6 of the
6 Internal Revenue Code of the United States making aggregate expenditures or
7 contributions in excess of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in support or opposition to a
8 candidate for Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, Alderperson, or
9 a City of St. Louis ballot measure shall file copies of all donor disclosure reports that are
10 required to be filed with the Missouri Ethics Commission pursuant to Sec. 130.041
11 RSMo. with the Board of Election Commissioners at the same time as such disclosure
12 report is filed with the Missouri Ethics Commission. Any candidate or ballot measure
13 campaign receiving a contribution from a nonprofit entity that has not filed a required
14 disclosure report shall return such contribution..

15 2.08.190 - Vacancies

16 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the election to fill a vacancy
17 in the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or
18 Alderperson shall be conducted as a non-partisan, top-two runoff election.

19 2.08.200 - Effect on election ordinances

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the elections described in
21 this chapter shall be non-partisan elections. Candidates for office elected by the method
22 described in this chapter shall be required to declare their candidacy with the Board of

1 Election Commissioners; however, they shall not declare a party affiliation to the Board
2 of Election Commissioners. To the extent that there is no conflict, generally-applicable
3 election ordinances shall apply to the elections described in this chapter. However, no
4 political party committee shall be allowed to formally nominate a candidate for non-
5 partisan office, but nothing herein shall prohibit a party or committee from endorsing
6 any candidate. Political party affiliations of candidates shall not be printed on the
7 ballots.

8 2.08.210 - Special Elections.

9 In a special election, if two (2) or fewer candidates have filed declarations of candidacy
10 to fill a vacancy for the office of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of
11 Aldermen, or Alderperson, there shall be no special primary election and the two (2)
12 candidates or candidate that have filed declarations of candidacy shall advance to the
13 special general election. If more than two (2) candidates have filed declarations of
14 candidacy for a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Mayor, Comptroller,
15 President of the Board of Aldermen, or Alderperson and a candidate or candidates
16 withdraw pursuant to section 2.08.060 leaving two (2) or fewer candidates, there shall be
17 no special primary election and the remaining two (2) candidates or candidate shall
18 advance to the special general election.

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Ordinance 42880

An Ordinance providing for the nomination of all candidates for elective city offices to be filled at general state elections; providing for the nomination of candidates by political parties by direct vote of electors at a primary election conducted by the regular election officers of and at the expense of the City of St. Louis; providing for the separation of the ballots containing the names of candidates for elective city offices from the names of candidates for county, state and national offices at such primary elections and at all general state elections at which such candidates may be voted for; repealing Sections 21 and 22 of the Revised Code of St. Louis, 1936; providing for the nomination by party or ward committees of candidates for elective city offices in which vacancies shall occur after the date set for filing as a candidate in such primary election and fifty days or more prior to such general state election; providing for nominations of candidates to take the place of candidates who shall have died or resigned after being duly nominated, making applicable to this ordinance all penal statutes of the state governing the conduct of elections; and containing a penalty clause, and an emergency clause.

Be it ordained by the City of St. Louis as follows:

Section One. Except as in this ordinance otherwise provided, hereafter all candidates for elective city offices to be voted for at any general state election, shall be nominated at a primary election by the direct vote of the qualified voters of St. Louis: Provided, however, that in the case of candidates for membership of the Board of Aldermen they shall be nominated by the direct vote of the qualified voters of the ward from which an alderman is to be elected.

Section Two. The primary election shall be held in the regular polling places in each precinct on the first Tuesday of August, 1944, and biennially thereafter for the nomination of candidates for elective city offices, if any, to be voted for at the next general state election.

Section Three. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the last day for filing as a candidate in the primary herein provided for, the Board of Election Commissioners shall begin publication of a notice of the municipal primary provided for herein, which notice shall designate the elective city officers, if any, to be nominated at such primary, a list of which shall be obtained from the City Register. Such list shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in at least two and not to exceed four newspapers of general circulation in the City of St. Louis.

Section Four. In the event that any vacancy shall arise in any elective city office, subsequent to the time of the commencement of such publication of notice, the board of election commissioners shall publish a supplementary notice designating such office and announcing that candidates therefor shall be nominated at such primary, such notice to conform as nearly as may be to the notice provided for in the preceding section, having regard to limitations of time.

Section Five. The name of no candidate shall be printed upon any official ballot at any primary election held under the provisions of this ordinance, unless at least sixty days prior to such primary a written declaration shall have been filed by the candidate, as provided in this ordinance, stating his full name, residence, office for which he proposes as a candidate, the party upon whose ticket he is to be a candidate, that if nominated and elected to such office he will qualify, and such declaration shall be in substantially the following form:

I, the undersigned, a resident and qualified elector of the . . . precinct of the . . . ward of the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, do announce myself a candidate for the office of . . . on the . . . ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the first Tuesday in August, . . . and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.
(Signed) . . .

Section Six. Each candidate previous to filing declaration papers as pre-

Ordinance 4287

An Ordinance making appropriation for current the City Government for year ending April 10, 1944 to the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000.00) and containing emergency clause.

Be it ordained by the City of St. Louis, as follows:

Section One. There is hereby appropriated out of Municipal Funds the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000.00) for the support of the Department hereinafter enumerated in the amount designated for year ending April 10, 1944.

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scribed by this ordinance shall pay to the treasurer of the City Central Committee of the political party upon whose ticket he proposes as a candidate and seeks nomination, a certain sum of money as follows, to-wit: two per centum of the annual salary of the office for which he is a candidate, and take a receipt therefor, and file such receipt with and at the time he files his declaration papers. The said sums of money, so paid by the several candidates, shall be evidence of their good faith in filing said declaration papers, and shall be used as an expense fund by the several political parties upon whose tickets the various candidates propose as candidates and seek nomination after such nominations are made, it being the intent of the ordinance that no sums or parts of the money so paid in shall be used by such treasurer or other member of such committee, or other person or persons, to procure or to defeat the nomination of any candidate or candidates who file declarations and seek nomination under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section Seven. Any person desiring to file declaration papers, or propose as a candidate on any independent or nonpartisan ticket, who does not announce by declaration papers as a candidate for any political party as defined by law, and is not a member of a political party having a state or city committee, or treasurer thereof, shall pay the sum of money required by this ordinance to be paid by the candidate for the office for which he proposes to the Treasurer of the City of St. Louis; take a receipt therefor, and file said receipt with his declaration papers; said sum of money, so paid, shall go into the general revenue fund of the City of St. Louis.

Section Eight. No person shall file more than one written declaration indicating the party designation under which his name is to be printed on the ballot of candidates for elective city offices. All declaration papers shall be filed with the board of election commissioners.

Section Nine. The board of election commissioners shall publish, under the proper party designation, the title to each office, the name and addresses of

all persons who shall have filed declaration papers, the date of the primary, the hours during which the polls will be open and that the primary will be held at the regular polling places in each precinct. It shall be the duty of the board to publish such notice for three consecutive weeks next prior to said primary.

Section Ten. Each publication required in this ordinance shall be made in not less than two newspapers of general circulation; one of such newspapers shall represent the political party that cast the largest vote in the City of St. Louis at the preceding election and one of such newspapers shall represent the political party that cast the next largest vote at such election. In any case where the publication of notice cannot be made as hereinbefore required, it may be made in any newspaper having a general circulation in the City of St. Louis.

Section Eleven. A ballot for candidates for elective city offices to be voted on at the next general state election shall be printed and provided for use at each voting precinct in the form provided herein. The names of all such candidates, who shall have filed declaration papers as in this ordinance prescribed, shall be printed thereon.

Section Twelve. At least twenty days before the primary election herein provided for is held, the board of election commissioners shall prepare sample official ballots, placing thereon alphabetically, under the appropriate title of each office and party designation, the names of all candidates to be voted for. Such sample ballot shall be printed upon tinted or colored paper, and shall contain no blank endorsement or certificate. The board of election commissioners shall forthwith submit such ticket of each party to the Chairman of the City Central Committee, and mail a copy to each candidate to his postoffice address, as given in his declaration paper, and they shall post a copy of each sample ballot in a conspicuous place in their office. On or before the 10th day before the holding of any primary election, the board of election commissioners shall correct any errors or

Ordinance 42880

An Ordinance providing for Ination of all candidates for city offices to be filled at general elections; providing for the nomination of candidates by political party direct vote of electors at a election conducted by the registration officers of and at the election of the City of St. Louis; providing for the separation of the ballots and the names of candidates for elective city offices from the names of candidates for county, state and offices at such primary elections at all general state elections a such candidates may be voted pealing Sections 21 and 22 of vised Code of St. Louis, 1936; ing for the nomination by p ward committees of candida elective city offices in which va shall occur after the date set fo as a candidate in such prima tion and fifty days or more 1 such general state election; pr for nominations of candidates the place of candidates who shz died or resigned after being dul nated, making applicable to th nance all penal statutes of th governing the conduct of electio containing a penalty clause, 1 emergency clause.

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omissions in the ballots, cause the same to be printed and distributed, as required by law in the case of ballots for the general election, except that the number of ballots to be furnished to each precinct shall be one and a half times the number of votes cast by any party in the past preceding election and having nominees and tickets at such primary election.

Section Thirteen. All ballots, blanks and other supplies to be used at any primary election held under the provisions of this ordinance, and all expenses necessarily incurred in the preparation for or in conducting such primary, shall be paid out of the treasury of the City of St. Louis.

Section Fourteen. At all primaries there shall be as many separate tickets as there are parties entitled to participate in said primary election. There shall also be a nonpartisan ticket, upon which, under appropriate title of each office, shall be printed the names of all persons by whom declaration papers shall have been filed, as required by this ordinance, who do not announce by such declaration papers as candidates for any political party, as defined by this ordinance. The names of all candidates shall be arranged under the appropriate title of the respective offices, and under the proper party designation upon the party ticket, and upon the non-partisan ticket, as the case may be; and the names of the candidates for each office shall be so alternated on the ballots used in the several election precincts, that each name shall appear thereon substantially an equal number of times at the top, at the bottom, and in each intermediate place, if any, of the lists or group of names in which such candidate's name belongs, and all officers charged with the preparation and distribution of such ballots shall cause the printer's forms to be so transposed and the ballots so made up as to carry out the intent of this provision. If any elector write upon his ticket the name of any person who is a candidate for the same office upon some other ticket than that upon which his name is so written, this ballot shall not be counted for such person. On any day of nomination of elective

city officers in any primary election precinct, each qualified elector shall be entitled to receive from the judges of the election one ballot of the political party participating in such election for which he desires to vote. It shall be the duty of such judges of election to deliver such ballot to the electors. Before delivering any ballot to the elector, the two judges of election having charge of the ballot shall write their names or initials upon the back of the ballot with indelible pencil, and no other writing shall be on the back of the ballot except the number of the ballot voted.

Section Fifteen. Whenever any person shall have filed as a candidate for nomination upon a party ticket which, at the last preceding election for Governor, shall have cast less than five per centum of the total vote cast for Governor in such election, and when not more than one person shall have filed as a candidate for any office on such party ticket, no ballot shall be printed for the primary election as herein provided unless upon petition of at least ten per centum of the voters voting in the city at said preceding election for Governor. When no ballots are printed as hereinbefore provided, the candidates filing declarations and who are unopposed shall be certified, as by this ordinance provided, as the nominees of such party casting less than five per centum of the vote of the state.

Section Sixteen. Vacancies resulting from the death or resignation of the nominee of a party at such primary shall be filled by the central committee in the City of St. Louis of such party: Provided, however, that no name shall be allowed on any ticket until the required fee shall have been paid.

Section Seventeen. No person shall be entitled to vote at any primary unless a qualified elector of the precinct and duly registered therein and known to affiliate with the political party named at the head of the ticket he calls for, and attempts to vote, or obligates himself to support the nominees of said party at the following election.

scribed by this ordinance the treasurer of the City Committee of the political whose ticket he proposes and seeks nomination of money as follows: per centum of the annual office for which he is a receipt therefor, receipt with and at the his declaration papers, of money, so paid by the dates, shall be evidence faith in filing said declaration and shall be used as an by the several political whose tickets the various propose as candidates a ination after such nomination, it being the intention that no sums or money so paid in shall be treasurer or other person committee, or other person to procure or to defeat the of any candidate or candidate file declarations and seal under the provisions of the

Section Seven. Any person to file declaration papers as a candidate on any nonpartisan ticket, who announce by declaration candidate for any political defined by law, and is not of a political party having city committee, or treasurer shall pay the sum of money by this ordinance to be candidate for the office to proposes to the Treasurer of St. Louis; take a receipt and file said receipt with tion papers; said sum of paid, shall go into the general fund of the City of St. Louis

Section Eight. No person more than one written designating the party designation which his name is to be the ballot of candidates for city offices. All declaration papers be filed with the board commissioners.

Section Nine. The board commissioners shall publish proper party designation, and each office, the name and

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Section Eighteen. The challengers and witnesses for a primary election to be held under the provisions of this ordinance shall be the challengers and witnesses designated for the general state primary.

Section Nineteen. It shall be the duty of the challenger to challenge and the duty of the judges of election to reject the ballot of any person attempting to vote other than the ticket of the party with which he is known to be affiliated, unless such person, when challenged, obligates himself, by oath or affirmation, administered by one of the judges, to support the party nominees of the ticket he is voting in the following election. All judges of the election shall have authority and are empowered to administer such oath, or affirmation, and any person offering to vote who shall fail or refuse to take or make such oath or affirmation when demanded by such challenger, or required by any judge, shall not be allowed to vote at such primary election.

Section Twenty. The canvass of votes shall be made in the same manner and by the same officers as the canvass of an election. The party chairman of the city, or some duly appointed agent to represent each party, shall be allowed to be present and observe the proceedings.

Section Twenty-One. The precinct judges and clerks of election shall immediately after the canvass of the ballot cast, on blanks to be provided for that purpose by the election commissioners, make full and accurate returns of the votes cast for each candidate to the board of election commissioners.

Section Twenty-Two. The canvass of the returns of such primary shall be made by the same officers, and in the manner as now provided by law, for the canvass of returns of a November election. The canvassers shall meet and canvass such returns at ten o'clock on the Friday following the primary. Their returns shall contain the whole number of votes cast for each candidate for each political party, and a duplicate as to each political party shall be delivered to the chairman of such party.

Section Twenty-Three. The person receiving the greatest number of votes at a primary as the candidate of a party for an office shall be the candidate of that party for such office and his name as such candidate shall be placed on the ballot for elective city officers to be elected at the following election.

Section Twenty-Four. In case of a tie vote, the tie shall forthwith be determined by lot by the canvassers.

Section Twenty-Five. It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners to prepare and have printed for primary elections blanks for carrying out the provisions of this ordinance.

Section Twenty-Six. Judges and clerks for primary elections held under the provisions of this ordinance shall be the judges and clerks designated for the general state primary.

Section Twenty-Seven. Immediately upon the completion of the canvass of the returns of the primary election, the election commissioners shall declare the result and issue a certificate of nomination to each person on each party ticket receiving the highest number of votes for nomination for an office.

Section Twenty-Eight. The provisions of the statutes now in force in relation to the holding of elections, for solicitation of voters at the polls, the challenging of votes, the manner of conducting elections, of counting the ballots and making the returns thereof, and all other kindred subjects, shall apply to all primaries held under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section Twenty-Nine. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance or guilty of conduct which would constitute an offense against the election laws of the state if the primaries authorized herein had been held under the provisions of such laws shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars or by imprisonment in the City Workhouse not to exceed six months.

omissions in the ballots same to be printed and distributed as required by law in the case of the general election. The number of ballots to be placed in each precinct shall be half times the number of voters by any party in the primary election and having no tickets at such primary e

Section Thirteen. All ballot and other supplies to be used in a primary election held under the provisions of this ordinance, the expenses necessarily incurred in preparation for or in conducting a primary, shall be paid out of the treasury of the City of St. Louis.

Section Fourteen. At all elections there shall be as many separate parties as there are parties entitled to participate in said primary election. Each party shall also be a nonpartisan ticket, under appropriate name for each office, shall be printed on all ballots by whom the same shall have been filed. The names of the candidates required by this ordinance, and the names of the candidates for any office, shall be printed on the respective offices, and proper party designation shall be printed on the party ticket, and upon the ballot, as the case may be. The names of the candidate office shall be so alternated on the ballots used in the several precincts, that each name shall appear substantially an equal number of times at the top, at the bottom, in each intermediate place, and the lists or group of names of such candidate's name below the names of the officers charged with the printing and distribution of such ballots, and the printer's forms shall be transposed and the ballots so arranged as to carry out the intent of this provision. If any elector writes on his ticket the name of any person other than that upon which his name is so written, the same shall not be counted for such office on any day of nomination or

Section Thirty. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in any elective city office fifty days or more prior to a general state election and subsequent to the last day for filing in the primary for candidates for elective city offices as fixed by section 5 hereof, the political central committees of the City of St. Louis recognized by the laws of the State of Missouri are hereby authorized each to nominate by a vote of a majority of such central committee, including in such committee any successor of any member, which successor has been recognized as such successor by such committee, a person of the same political belief and party as the said nominating committee, and having the qualifications to hold such office.

Section Thirty-One. It shall be the duty of such central committees to certify to the board of election commissioners, not less than fifteen days before the date set for the general state election, the name of the person nominated, the office for which he shall have been nominated and the party which such nominee shall represent. Such certificate of nomination shall be signed and executed by the presiding officer and secretary of the central committee making such nomination; provided, that in case of the inability of the presiding officer or secretary of any central committee to perform such duty, the officers or officer thereof next in rank or all the remaining officers shall sign and execute such certificate of nomination, which shall be accepted as if executed by the presiding officer and secretary.

Section Thirty-Two. It shall be the duty of the board of election commissioners to place upon the ballot, as candidates of such parties, the names certified to them in accordance with the provisions of Section Thirty-One hereof; provided, however, that no name of any candidate shall be placed upon the ballot until the candidate shall exhibit to the board of election commissioners a receipt from such central committee evidencing payment of a filing fee in the amount fixed by Section Six of this ordinance.

Section Thirty-Three. If any party or group, political or otherwise, which

shall have cast five per centum, or more, of the total votes cast for Governor in the last preceding election, shall not have a political central committee recognized as such by the laws of Missouri, the committees or groups representing such parties or groups are hereby authorized to nominate candidates for elective city offices and certify their names to the board of election commissioners as provided in Sections Thirty and Thirty-One hereof in the case of political central committees recognized as such by the laws of the State of Missouri, and the names of such candidates shall be placed on the ballot as candidates of such parties or groups; provided, such candidates shall exhibit to the board of election commissioners receipts evidencing payment, to such parties or groups, of the filing fee fixed by Section Six of this ordinance.

Section Thirty-Four. Nonpartisan candidates may be nominated by a certificate signed by registered electors of the City of St. Louis to a number equal to two per centum of the entire vote cast at the last preceding election of a mayor; provided, that the signers shall declare, in said certificate, that they are bona fide supporters of the candidate sought to be nominated, and have not aided, and will not aid, in the nomination of any other candidate for an elective city office. Such certificates of nomination by electors shall be filed in the office of the board of election commissioners not less than fifteen days before the election. The names of persons nominated by certificate signed by electors shall be placed on the ballot, each under the heading "Nonpartisan Candidate."

Section Thirty-Five. Before the name of any nonpartisan candidate shall be placed on the ballot as aforesaid, such candidate shall exhibit to the board of election commissioners a receipt evidencing payment to the City Treasurer of the filing fee fixed by Section Six of this ordinance.

Section Thirty-Six. In the event of the death or withdrawal of any candidate whose name has been certified to the board of election commissioners as a candidate for an elective city office, the political central or ward

Section Eighteen and witnesses for ; to be held under ; this ordinance shall and witnesses design ; eral state primary.

Section Nineteen. duty of the challenger and the duty of the ballot to reject the ticket of the party known to be affiliated with the challenger, when challenge is made by one of the party nominees or voting in the following judges of the election authority and are empowered to administer such oath, or affirm the person offering to vote or refuse to take or or affirmation when de challenged, or require shall not be allowed primary election.

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committee, or party or group, shall certify the name of another candidate to the board of election commissioners in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance at any time prior to the election and such name shall be placed on the ballot in lieu of the name of such candidate. In the event of the death or withdrawal of a candidate nominated by a certificate signed by electors, the name of another non-partisan candidate may be certified in lieu thereof at any time prior to the election by any group of electors to a number equal to two per centum of the entire vote cast at the last preceding election of a mayor.

Section Thirty-Seven. At all primary elections held under the provisions of this ordinance there shall be separate ballots containing the names of candidates for elective city offices only and the election commissioners shall provide separate boxes for such ballots and shall endeavor as far as practicable to conduct the primary herein provided for as a separate primary distinct from the general state primary.

Section Thirty-Eight. At all general state elections at which candidates for elective offices may be voted for there shall be separate ballots containing the names of candidates nominated in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance only and the election commissioners shall provide separate boxes for such ballots and shall endeavor as far as practicable to conduct the election of candidates for city offices as a separate election distinct from the general state election.

Section Thirty-Nine. Sections Twenty-One and Twenty-Two of the

Revised Code of St. Louis, 1936, are hereby repealed.

Section Forty. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board of Aldermen hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the same may be declared unconstitutional.

Section Forty-One. If the state law governing primary elections shall be amended so as to change the last day for filing written declarations by candidates in any general primary election to be held on the first Tuesday of August, then and in such event the last day for filing in the primary herein provided for shall be advanced so as to conform to the date fixed by such amendment to the general primary law of the State.

Section Forty-Two. A state of war now existing and many citizens of the City of St. Louis participating therein being outside of the territory of the United States of America, and this ordinance being an ordinance providing for an election, an emergency exists within the meaning of the charter provisions and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of public safety, the same shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Approved: April 6, 1944.

Section Thirty. Whenever shall occur in any elective fifty days or more prior to state election and subsequent last day for filing in the candidates for elective city fixed by section 5 hereof, the central committees of the State of Missouri are hereby authorized each to nominate by a majority of such central committee including in such committee successor of any member, who prior has been recognized as successor by such committee, of the same political belief and the said nominating committee having the qualifications to office.

Section Thirty-One. It shall duty of such central committee certify to the board of election commissioners, not less than five days before the date set for the state election, the name of the person nominated, the office for which he shall have been nominated, the party which such nominee shall represent. Such certificate of nomination shall be signed and executed by the presiding officer and secretary of the central committee making such nomination; provided, that in case of inability of the presiding officer or secretary of any central committee to perform such duty, the officer thereof next in rank or remaining officers shall sign and execute such certificate of nomination which shall be accepted as if executed by the presiding officer and secretary.

Section Thirty-Two. It shall duty of the board of election commissioners to place upon the ballots candidates of such parties, the name of which shall be certified to them in accordance with the provisions of Section Thirty hereof: Provided, however, that the name of any candidate shall be placed upon the ballot until the candidate shall exhibit to the board of election commissioners a receipt from the central committee evidencing payment of a filing fee in the amount fixed by Section Six of this ordinance.

Section Thirty-Three. If any person, or group, political or otherwise,

Ordinance 50111
(B.B. No. 359)

An ordinance providing for the nomination of candidates for City offices; specifying the time of filing of declarations of candidacy and for the Register to file notice listing the City offices to be filled at the election; accepting certain sections of the Missouri Revised Statutes, 1949; incorporating by reference certain sections of the Missouri Revised Statutes, 1949; containing an emergency clause and containing a penalty clause.

WHEREAS, the use of voting machines in the City of St. Louis primary elections will insure fair and accurate tabulation of the votes cast; and,

WHEREAS, the preparation of voting machines for use in an election requires a substantial period of time after the last date on which declarations of candidacy may be filed; and,

WHEREAS, the existing state statutes applicable to the conduct of primary elections in the City of St. Louis allow declarations of candidacy to be filed up to eleven days before a City primary election; and,

WHEREAS, there exists under the Missouri Statutes a conflict between the times allowed for the filing of a declaration of candidacy and the preparation of absentee ballots whereby absentee ballots must be prepared and made available nineteen days prior to the last date declarations of candidacy for offices appearing on said ballots may be filed; and,

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Missouri has provided by Sections 122.650 and 122.660 Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1949, that the City of St. Louis may supersede and render inapplicable by ordinance such provisions of the state statutes which relate to the conduct of municipal primary elections held in the City of St. Louis; and,

WHEREAS, the closing of the filing of declarations of candidacy at a time thirty-two days prior to the primary election will eliminate these above noted objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of St. Louis, as follows:

Section One. The provisions, terms and conditions contained and set forth in Sections 122.650 and 122.660 Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1949 are hereby accepted.

Section Two. The provisions, terms and conditions contained and set forth in Sections 122.670, 122.680, 122.700, 122.710, 122.720, 122.740, 122.750, 122.760, 122.770, 122.780, 122.790, 122.800, 122.810, 122.820, 122.830, 122.840, 122.850, 122.860, 122.870, 122.880, 122.890, 122.900, 122.910, 122.920, 122.930, 122.940, 122.950, and 122.960 are hereby incorporated by reference as though completely set forth in full, the aforesaid provisions, terms and conditions shall be deemed to be in full force and effect.

Section Three. The name of no candidate shall be printed upon any official ballot at any primary election held under the provisions of sections One through Six of this ordinance unless at least thirty-two days prior to such primary election and on or before nine o'clock p.m. of such day a written declaration shall be filed by the candidate, as herein provided, stating his full name, residence, occupation, in typewritten or printed words, and the office for which he proposes as a candidate, the party upon whose ticket he is to be a candidate, that if nominated and elected to such office he will qualify, and such declaration shall be substantially in the following form:

I, the undersigned.....
.....(a sufficient space in which to typewrite or print his name, residence and occupation), a resident and qualified elector of the.....precinct of the.....ward, in the city of.....
....., Missouri, do announce myself as a candidate for the office of.....
.....on the.....ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the.....day of March,, and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

(Signed).....

Section Four. At least thirty-five days before the time for holding such March primary election the city reg-

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ister shall prepare and transmit to the board of election commissioners of the City of St. Louis a notice in writing, designating the offices to be filled at the succeeding city election and the yearly salaries of each.

Section Five. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined the sum

of not less than One Dollar nor more than Five Hundred Dollars.

Section Six. The passage of this ordinance being deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Approved: December 16, 1960.

Ordinance 55836
(B.B. No. 248)

An ordinance amending Chapter 76 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1960, by repealing Sections 76.400, 76.410 and 76.420 relating to the conduct of municipal elections and enacting in lieu thereof four new sections having the same subject matter.

Be it ordained by the City of St. Louis, as follows:

Section One. Chapter 76 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1960, as amended, is hereby amended. Section 76.400, Section 76.410 and Section 76.420 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1960 as amended, are hereby repealed and enacted in lieu thereof are four new sections to be and read as follows:

76.400. Election Statutes Incorporated.—Sections 122.670, 122.680, 122.710, 122.720, 122.740, 122.750, 122.760, 122.770, 122.780, 122.790, 122.800, 122.810, 122.820, 122.830, 122.840, 122.850, 122.860, 122.870, 122.880, 122.890, 122.900, 122.910, 122.920, 122.930, 122.940, 122.950, and 122.960 are hereby incorporated by reference into this Code set forth in full, the aforesaid provisions, terms and conditions shall be deemed to be in full force and effect.

76.410. Filing Date and Time of Candidacy; Form.—The name of no candidate shall be printed upon any official ballot at any primary election held under the provisions of sections One through Six of this ordinance unless at least forty days prior to such primary elections and on or before five o'clock p.m. of such day a written declaration shall be filed by the candidate, as herein provided, stating his full name, residence, occupation, in

typewritten or printed words, and the office for which he proposes as a candidate, the party upon whose ticket he is to be a candidate, that if nominated and elected to such office he will qualify, and such declaration shall be substantially in the following forms:

I, the undersigned
(a sufficient space in which to type-write or print his name, residence and occupation), a resident and qualified elector of the..... precinct of the..... ward, in the city of....., Missouri, do announce myself as a candidate for the office of..... on the..... ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the..... day of March,....., and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

Signed

76.420. Salary of Office: Filing Statement; City Register.—At least sixty days before the time for holding such March primary election the city register shall prepare and transmit to the board of election commissioners of the City of St. Louis a notice in writing, designating the offices to be filled at the succeeding city election and the yearly salaries of each.

76.430. Board of election commissioners to make publication of list of offices to be filled.—Upon receipt of such notice such board of election commissioners shall, beginning within seven days thereafter, cause to be published for two consecutive days a list of offices for which candidates are to be nominated at such primary in three newspapers of general circulation, published in the city in which such board of election commissioners is acting.

Approved: March 10, 1971.

Ordinance 58267
(Comm. Sub. B.B. No. 236)

An ordinance to amend Section 76.060 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, pertaining to the amount of money required for "Payment to central committee" by candidates of political parties for elective municipal offices, by repealing said section and rewriting the same in its amended form.

Be it ordained by the City of St. Louis, as follows:

Section One. Section 76.060 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis is hereby repealed.

Section Two. Section 76.060 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis is hereby reenacted to read as follows:

76.060. Payment to central committee. Each candidate previous to filing declaration papers as prescribed by the preceding Section shall pay to the treasurer of the

City central committee of the political party upon whose ticket he proposes as a candidate and seeks nomination, 1% of the annual salary of the office for which he is a candidate, and take a receipt therefor, and file such receipt with and at the same time he files his declaration papers. The sums of money so paid by the several candidates shall be evidence of their good faith in filing declaration papers, and shall be used as an expense fund by the several political parties upon whose tickets the various candidates propose as candidates and seek nomination after such nominations are made. It is the intent of this Section that no sums or parts of the money so paid in shall be used by such treasurer or other member of such committee, or other person to procure or to defeat the nomination of any candidates who file declarations and seek nomination under the provisions of this Chapter. (1948, C20, S.12)

Approved: March 19, 1981.

Ordinance 59982
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
BOARD BILL NO. 198

An ordinance to amend subsections 75.400 and 76.410 of Section One of Ordinance 55836 approved March 10, 1971 presently codified as Sections 2.08.400 and 208.410 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis concerning Election Rules and Procedures, and containing an emergency clause.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. Section 2.08.400 is amended to read as follows: 2.08.400 Filing and withdrawal.

1. Time and procedure for filing a declaration of candidacy. The name of no candidate shall be printed upon any official ticket or ballot at any primary election held under the provisions of this Chapter unless at least sixty (60) days prior to such primary election and on or before five o'clock p.m. of such day, but not before one hundred (100) days prior to such primary election at eight o'clock a.m. of such day, a written declaration of candidacy shall be filed by the candidate stating the candidate's full name, as it appears on his or her voter registration card, residence and occupation, the office for which he or she proposes as candidate, the party upon whose ticket he or she is to be a candidate, in typewritten or printed words; that the candidate and members of his or her family have received no personal remuneration, or any personal gift, or other personal favor or promise for his or her filing such declaration of candidacy; and that if nominated and elected to such office the candidate will qualify. Such declaration of candidacy shall be substantially in the following form:

I, the undersigned _____ (a sufficient space in which to typewrite or print the candidate's name, residence and occupation), a resident and qualified elector of the _____ precinct of

the _____ ward, in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, do announce myself as a candidate for the office of _____ on the _____ ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the _____ day of March, _____, and I declare that neither I, nor any member of my family, has received any personal remuneration, or any personal gift, or other personal favor or promise for filing this declaration; and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

Signed _____

2. Withdrawal of candidacy, deadline for, how made.

A. Any person who has filed a declaration of candidacy for nomination and who wishes to withdraw as a candidate shall, not later than forty (40) days prior to such primary election on or before five o'clock p.m. of such day, file a written, sworn statement of withdrawal in the office of the official who accepted his or her declaration of candidacy.

B. The name of a person who has filed a declaration of candidacy who has not given notice of withdrawal as provided in Subsection A. of this Section, shall be printed on the official primary ticket or ballot.

SECTION TWO. Section 2.08.410 is amended to read as follows: 2.08.410 City register duties. At least one hundred and twenty days before the time for holding such March primary election the city registrar shall prepare and transmit to the board of election commissioners of the city a notice in writing, designating the offices to be filled at the succeeding city election and the yearly salaries of each.

SECTION THREE. The passage of this ordinance deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, an emer-

gency is hereby declared to exist within the meaning of Section 20 of Article IV of the Charter, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the mayor.

Approved: July 31, 1986

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE**BOARD BILL #367****INTRODUCED BY PRESIDENT JAMES F. SHREWSBURY**

1 An ordinance pertaining to elections; amending Section Thirty-four and Thirty-five of
2 Ordinance 42880, as codified in Section 2.08.330 of the Revised Code; changing the time period
3 in which the certificate of nomination for a non-partisan candidate must be filed with the Board
4 of Election prior to an election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

5
6 **SECTION ONE.** Section Thirty-four and Thirty-five of Ordinance 42880, as codified in
7 Section 2.08.330 of the Revised Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION TWO. 2.08.330 Provisions for nomination--Nonpartisan candidate.

8
9 Nonpartisan candidates may be nominated by a certificate signed by registered electors of
10 the City to a number equal to two percent of the entire vote cast at the last preceding election of a
11 mayor; provided that the signer shall declare, in such certificate, that they are bona fide
12 supporters of the candidate sought to be nominated. and have not aided, and will not aid, in the
13 nomination of any other candidate for an elective City office. Such certificates of nomination by
14 electors shall be filed in the office of the Board of Election Commissioners not less than the
15 eighth Monday before the election. The names of persons nominated by certificate signed by
16 electors shall be placed on the ballot, each under the heading "Nonpartisan Candidate."

17 Before the name of any nonpartisan candidate shall be placed on the ballot as aforesaid,
18 the candidate shall exhibit to the Board of Election Commissioners a receipt evidencing payment
19 to the City Treasurer of the filing fee fixed by Section 2.08.060.

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Board Bill # 367CS

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Karen L Davis

Clerk, Board of Aldermen

James J. Flay

President, Board of Aldermen

James J. May

Mayor

Approved

Disapproved

Date March 10, 2004

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Chairman

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1 **BOARD BILL NO. 327 FS INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN MATT VILLA,**
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16 An Ordinance pertaining to election rules and procedures relating to the payment
 17 of all taxes and Missouri Ethics Commission fees by candidates for elective City offices;
 18 containing an emergency clause and a severability clause.

19 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

20 **SECTION ONE.** Payment of all taxes by candidates for elective City offices.

21 1. Any person who files as a candidate for elective City office shall be disqualified
 22 from participation in the election for which the candidate has filed if such person is
 23 delinquent in the payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any real

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1 property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings
 2 taxes, or city income taxes on the day that such person files their declaration of candidacy
 3 for their respective office, so long as the person has failed to take remedial action as
 4 detailed in subsections 3 and 4 below. This subsection does not include taxes owed by
 5 any corporation, limited liability company, professional corporation, or other corporate
 6 entity **unless any such corporation, limited liability company, professional**
 7 **corporation, or other corporate entity is owned one hundred percent (100%) by the**
 8 **candidate.**

9 2. Each potential candidate for elective City office shall file an affidavit with the
 10 Board of Election Commissioners at the time the potential candidate files his or her
 11 declaration of candidacy. Such affidavit shall be in substantially the following form:

12 "AFFIRMATION OF TAX PAYMENTS:

13 I hereby declare under penalties of perjury that I am not currently aware of any
 14 delinquency in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes
 15 on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by the
 16 candidate, earnings taxes, or city income taxes.

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1 _____ Candidate's Signature

2 _____ Printed Name of Candidate."

3 3. Upon written receipt of a [written] complaint alleging a delinquency of the
 4 candidate in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on
 5 any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by the candidate,
 6 earnings taxes, or city income taxes, the Board of Election Commissioners shall
 7 investigate such potential candidate to verify the claim(s) contained in the complaint. If
 8 the Board of Election Commissioners finds such claim to be true, they shall notify the
 9 candidate of the outstanding tax(es) or fee(s) due and give the candidate seven (7) days to
 10 remit any such outstanding tax(es) or fee(s) owed which were not heretofore the
 11 documented subject of dispute between the respective department and the candidate. If
 12 the candidate fails to remit such amounts in full within seven (7) days, the candidate shall
 13 be disqualified from participating in the current election and barred from refilling for an
 14 entire election cycle, even if the individual pays all outstanding tax(es) or fee(s) that were
 15 the subject of the complaint. Any such complaint must be filed no later than two (2)
 16 weeks prior to the election, provided that any complaint filed later than seven (7) weeks

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1 before the election that is later found to be true will result in disqualification of the
2 candidate but may not necessarily result in the candidate's name being physically
3 removed from the ballot.

4 4. Nothing herein shall either preclude or require the Board of Election
5 Commissioners from independently investigating all candidates in any given election to
6 determine if any such candidates are delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal
7 property taxes, real property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned
8 in whole or in part by any candidate, earnings taxes, or city income taxes. If the Board of
9 Election Commissioners commences such an investigation and discovers that any
10 candidates are delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real
11 property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part
12 by the candidate, earnings taxes, or city income taxes, the Board of Election
13 Commissioners shall notify the candidate of the outstanding tax(es) or fee(s) due and give
14 the candidate seven (7) days to remit any such outstanding tax(es) or fee(s) owed which
15 were not heretofore the documented subject of dispute between the respective department
16 and the candidate. If the candidate fails to remit such amounts in full within seven (7)

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1 days, the candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the current election and
2 barred from refiling for an entire election cycle, even in the individual pays all
3 outstanding taxes that were the subject of the complaint.

4 **SECTION TWO.** The Board of Election Commissioners shall confirm the filing of an
5 affidavit with the department of revenue as defined in Section 115.342 of the Missouri
6 Revised Statutes.

7 **SECTION THREE.** Payment of all Missouri Ethics Commission fees by candidates for
8 elective City offices.

9 1. Any person who files as a candidate for elective City office shall be disqualified
10 from participation in the election for which the candidate has filed if such person is
11 delinquent in the payment of any fees as determined by the Missouri Ethics Commission
12 on the day that such person files their declaration of candidacy for their respective office,
13 so long as the person has failed to take remedial action as detailed in subsections 3 and 4
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1 2. Each potential candidate for elective City office shall file an affidavit with the
 2 Board of Election Commissioners at the time the potential candidate files his or her
 3 declaration of candidacy. Such affidavit shall be in substantially the following form:

4 "AFFIRMATION OF MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION FEES PAYMENTS:

5 I hereby declare under penalties of perjury that I am not currently aware of any

6 delinquency in the payment of any fees as determined by the Missouri Ethics

7 Commission under Section 105.963 and Section 105.961.4 of the Missouri Revised

8 Statutes.

9 _____ Candidate's Signature

10 _____ Printed Name of Candidate."

11 3. Upon written receipt of a written complaint alleging a delinquency of the
 12 candidate in the payment of fees as determined by the Missouri Ethics Commission under
 13 Section 105.963 and Section 105.961.4 of the Missouri Revised Statutes, the Board of
 14 Election Commissioners shall investigate such potential candidate to verify the claim(s)
 15 contained in the complaint. If the Board of Election Commissioners finds such claim to
 16 be true, they shall notify the candidate of the outstanding fee(s) due and give the

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1 candidate seven (7) days to remit any such outstanding fees (s) owed which were not
2 heretofore the documented subject of dispute between the respective department and the
3 candidate. If the candidate fails to remit such amounts in full within seven (7) days, the
4 candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the current election and barred from
5 refilling for an entire election cycle, even if the individual pays all outstanding fees (s)
6 that were the subject of the complaint. Any such complaint must be filed no later than
7 two (2) weeks prior to the election, provided that any complaint filed later than seven (7)
8 weeks before the election that is later found to be true will result in disqualification of the
9 candidate but may not necessarily result in the candidate's name being physically
10 removed from the ballot.

11 4. Nothing herein shall either preclude or require the Board of Election
12 Commissioners from independently investigating all candidates in any given election to
13 determine if any such candidates are delinquent in the payment of any fees as determined
14 by the Missouri Ethics Commission under Section 105.963 and Section 105.961.4 of the
15 Missouri Revised Statutes.

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1 If the Board of Election Commissioners commences such an investigation and discovers
2 that any candidates are delinquent in the payment of any fees as determined by the
3 Missouri Ethics Commission under Section 105.963 and Section 105.961.4 of the
4 Missouri Revised Statutes, the Board of Election Commissioners shall notify the
5 candidate of the outstanding fees (s) due and give the candidate seven (7) days to remit
6 any such outstanding fees (s) owed which were not heretofore the documented subject of
7 dispute between the respective department and the candidate. If the candidate fails to
8 remit such amounts in full within seven (7) days, the candidate shall be disqualified from
9 participating in the current election and barred from refilling for an entire election cycle,
10 even in the individual pays all outstanding taxes that were the subject of the complaint.

11 **SECTION FOUR. Severability Clause.**

12 The sections, subsections and clauses of this ordinance shall be severable. In the
13 event that any section, subsection or clause of this ordinance is found by a court of
14 competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining sections, subsection, or clauses of this
15 ordinance are valid, unless the court finds the valid sections of the ordinance are so
16 essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void section that it

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- 1 cannot be presumed that this Board of Alderman would have enacted the valid section
- 2 without the void ones, or unless the court finds that the valid sections standing alone are
- 3 incomplete and incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

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David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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President, Board of Aldermen

Approved

Date March 16, 2010

Disapproved

Francis R. Slay
Mayor

Truly Engrossed and Enrolled

[Signature]
Chairman

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 242 INTRODUCED BY: ALDERWOMAN LYDA KREWSON,**
2 **ALDERMAN ALFRED WESSELS, ALDERWOMAN JENNIFER FLORIDA,**
3 **ALDERMAN SHANE COHN, ALDERMAN JOSEPH VACCARO, ALDERWOMAN**
4 **DONNA BARINGER**

5 An Ordinance pertaining to Elections enacting a new section to be codified as
6 Section 2.08.440 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis requiring the disclosure of the
7 donors to certain not for profit entities that make expenditures or contributions in support or
8 opposition to a candidate for mayor, comptroller, president of the board of aldermen or a City of
9 St. Louis ballot measure.

10 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

11 **SECTION ONE.** There is hereby enacted one new section to be codified as Section 2.08.440 of
12 the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis which shall read as follows:

13 Section 2.08.440 Disclosure of donors.

14 Any not for profit entity organized or operating under 501(c)4 or 501(c)6 of the Internal Revenue
15 Code of the United States making aggregate expenditures or contributions in excess of \$500 in
16 support or opposition to a candidate for mayor, comptroller, president of the board of aldermen
17 or a City of St. Louis ballot measure shall file a donor disclosure report. The donor disclosure
18 report shall be filed with the Board of Election Commissioners within 48 hours of making such
19 expenditures or contributions. The report shall detail the name, address, employer, or if self-
20 employed, the occupation of each donor to the not for profit entity. The initial report shall list
21 such donor information for the prior one year period. After subsequent aggregate expenditures
22 or contributions in excess of \$500, an additional donor disclosure report is required within 48
23 hours providing donor information since the last report. Any not for profit entity failing to file a
24 required donor disclosure report shall be liable for a civil penalty equal to the amount of its
25 aggregate expenditures and contributions plus \$500. Any candidate or ballot measure campaign

1 receiving a contribution from a not for profit entity that has not filed a required disclosure report
2 shall return such contribution. This section shall not apply to not for profit entities that file donor
3 information reports under Chapter 130 RSMo.

4 **SECTION TWO. Emergency Clause.** This being an ordinance for the preservation of
5 public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the
6 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore
7 this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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Board Bill No. 242

Sponsor: Alderwoman Lyda Krewson, Alderman
Alfred Wessels, Alderwoman Jennifer Florida, Alderman Shane Cohn, Alderman Joseph
Vaccaro, Alderwoman Donna Baringer

BOARD BILL NO. 144 INTRODUCED BY: ALDERMAN JOHN "JACK" COATAR

1 An ordinance amending Section 2, of Ordinance No. 58267, approved March 19, 1981
2 and codified as Section 2.08.060 of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of St. Louis,
3 pertaining to candidate payments to the political party upon whose ticket he or she proposes to
4 run as a candidate and seeks nomination, one percent of the annual salary of the office for
5 which he or she is a candidate, to permit a candidate to submit said payment to the Board of
6 Election Commissioners at the time the candidate files his or her declaration of candidacy;
7 and containing an emergency clause.

8

9 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Board of Aldermen Rule 54, all sections of Ordinance 58267
10 sought to be changed, added or deleted hereunder are shown in **bold type**, **[brackets]**,
11 **underline**, and **~~strikethrough~~** in the body of this bill.

12

13 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

14

15 **SECTION ONE.** Section 2, of Ordinance No. 58267, approved March 19, 1981 and codified
16 as Section 2.08.060 of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of St. Louis, is hereby
17 amended by the addition of a second, new paragraph to be and read as follows:

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Each candidate previous to filing declaration papers as prescribed by Section
2.08.050 shall pay to the treasurer of the city central committee of the political party
upon whose ticket he/she proposes to run as a candidate and seeks nomination, one
percent (1%) of the annual salary of the office for which he/she is a candidate, take a

1 receipt therefor, and file such receipt with and at the same time he/she files his/her
2 declaration papers. The sums of money, so paid by the several candidates, shall be
3 evidence of their good faith in filing declaration papers, and shall be used as an
4 expense fund by the several political parties upon whose tickets the various candidates
5 propose to run as candidates and seek nomination after such nominations are made. It
6 is the intent of this section that no sums or parts of the money so paid shall be used by
7 such treasurer or other member of such committee, or other person, to procure or to
8 defeat the nomination of any candidates who file declarations and seek nomination
9 under the provisions of this chapter.

10 [The required filing fee described in the preceding paragraph may be
11 submitted by the candidate to the Board of Election Commissioners at the time
12 the candidate files his/her declaration of candidacy. All sums so submitted shall
13 be forwarded promptly by the Board of Election Commissioners to the
14 appropriate party city central committee treasurer.]

15
16 **SECTION TWO.** Emergency Clause. This being an ordinance for the preservation of
17 public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the
18 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and
19 therefore this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval
20 by the Mayor.

Shanta Reyes
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

James E. Hall
President, Board of Aldermen

Approved Date 12/3/18
Disapproved

Lyda Brews
Mayor BB144

Truly Engrossed and Enrolled

Jamika Hubbard
Chairman

BOARD BILL NO. 145 INTRODUCED BY: ALDERMAN JOHN "JACK" COATAR

1 An ordinance revising Section 2.08.120, of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of
2 Ordinances, pertaining to the Board of Election Commissioners preparing sample ballots, so
3 as to provide for the placement of candidates on said ballots in the order in which they are to
4 appear on the official ballot rather than alphabetically as is currently provided; and containing
5 an emergency clause.

6

7 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Board of Aldermen Rule 54, all portions of Section
8 2.08.120, of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances sought to be changed, added or
9 deleted hereunder are shown in **bold type**, **[brackets]**, **underline**, and ~~**[strikethrough]**~~ in the
10 body of this bill.

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12 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

13

14 **SECTION ONE.** Section 2.08.120 of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances is
15 hereby revised to be and read as follows:

16 2.08.120 - Ballots—Sample—Distribution.

17 At least twenty (20) days before the primary election herein provided for is
18 held, the Board of Election Commissioners shall prepare sample ballots, placing
19 thereon ~~**[alphabetically]**~~ **[in the order in which they will appear on the official**
20 **ballot]**, under the appropriate title of each office and party designation, the names of
21 all candidates to be voted for. The sample ballot shall be printed upon tinted or colored

1 paper, and shall contain no blank endorsement or certificate. The Board of Election
2 Commissioners shall forthwith submit the ticket of each party to the chairman of the
3 city central committee, and mail a copy to each candidate to his post office address, as
4 given in his declaration paper, and they shall post a copy of each sample ballot in a
5 conspicuous place in their office. On or before the tenth day before the holding of any
6 primary election, the Board of Election Commissioners shall correct any errors or
7 omissions in the ballots, cause the same to be printed and distributed, as required by
8 law in the case of ballots for the general election, except that the number of ballots to
9 be furnished to each precinct shall be one and a half times the number of votes cast by
10 any party in the past preceding election and having nominees and tickets at such
11 primary election.

12
13 **SECTION TWO.** Emergency Clause. This being an ordinance for the preservation of
14 public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the
15 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and
16 therefore this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval
17 by the Mayor.

Shanto Rojas

Clerk, Board of Aldermen

James E. [Signature]

President, Board of Aldermen

Approved

Date

12/3/18

Disapproved

Linda Brewster

Mayor

BB145

Truly Engrossed and Enrolled

Jurminka Hubbert

Chairman

BOARD BILL NO. 147 INTRODUCED BY: ALDERMAN JOHN "JACK" COATAR

1 An ordinance revising Section 1, (B)(1), of Ordinance No. 59982, approved July 31st,
2 1986, codified as Section 2.08.400(B)(1), of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of
3 Ordinances, pertaining to the last date on which a candidate may withdraw from a primary
4 election from forty (40) days prior to the date of the primary election to fifty (50) days prior to
5 the date of the primary election; and containing an emergency clause.

6

7 **WHEREAS**, under Section 115.281 of the Missouri Revised Statutes absentee voting
8 begins the sixth Tuesday, or forty-two (42) days, prior to the date of the applicable election;
9 and

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11 **WHEREAS**, under Section 1, (B)(1), of Ordinance No. 59982, approved July 31st
12 1986 codified as Section 2.08.400(B)(1), of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances,
13 a candidate may withdraw from a primary election not later than forty (40) days prior to the
14 date of the applicable primary election, with the result that a candidate may withdraw as late
15 as two (2) days after absentee voting begins; and

16

17 **WHEREAS**, it is the intent of this ordinance to prevent such eventuality by changing
18 the period in which a candidate may withdraw from forty (40) days prior to the applicable
19 primary election to fifty (50) days prior to the applicable primary election; and

20

21 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Board of Aldermen Rule 54, all portions of Section
22 2.08.400(B)(1), of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances sought to be changed,

1 added or deleted hereunder are shown in bold type, [brackets], underline, and
 2 ~~strikethrough~~ in the body of this bill.

3 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

4
 5 **SECTION ONE.** Section 1, (B)(1), of Ordinance No. 59982, approved XXXX, codified as
 6 Section 2.08.400(B)(1), of the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances, is hereby
 7 revised to be and read as follows:

8 B. Withdrawal of Candidacy, Deadline for, How Made.


9 1. Any person who has filed a declaration of candidacy for nomination and
 10 who wishes to withdraw as a candidate shall, not later than ~~forty (40)~~ fifty
 11 (50) days prior to such primary election on or before five p.m. of such day,
 12 file a written, sworn statement of withdrawal in the office of the official who
 13 accepted his or her declaration of candidacy.

14 2. The name of a person who has filed a declaration of candidacy who has
 15 not given notice of withdrawal as provided in subsection A of this section,
 16 shall be printed on the official primary ticket or ballot.

17
 18 **SECTION TWO.** Emergency Clause. This being an ordinance for the preservation of
 19 public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the
 20 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and

- 1 therefore this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval
- 2 by the Mayor.

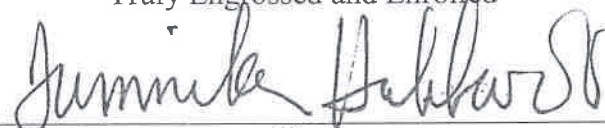

Clerk, Board of Aldermen


President, Board of Aldermen

Approved Date 12/3/18
Disapproved


Mayor **BB147**

Truly Engrossed and Enrolled


Chairman

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BOARD BILL NO. 12CS INTRODUCED BY: ALDERMAN JOE VACCARO

1 An ordinance repealing Section One of Ordinance No. 68605, approved March 16,
2 2010, and codified as 2.08.430 in the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances, which
3 pertains to election rules and procedures relating to the payment of taxes by candidates for an
4 elective office ~~in~~ of the City of St. Louis, and replacing said section of Ordinance No. 68605
5 with a new Section One requiring all candidates for an elective public office ~~in~~ of the City of
6 St. Louis to have paid in full at the time of their filing those taxes and bills for services set
7 forth herein and to provide evidence thereof in a sworn affidavit at said time; and requiring
8 the Collector of Revenue to notify the Board of Election Commissioners on the day
9 immediately following the last day to file as a candidate if any candidates are delinquent in
10 the payment of any of the forgoing taxes and bills, and in the event a candidate is delinquent
11 he or she shall be barred from participating in the current election and, if said election is a
12 primary election, barred from refiling as a candidate for any elective public office of the City
13 of St. Louis in the subsequent general election; and containing a severability clause.

14 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

15 **SECTION ONE.** In accordance with Board of Aldermen Rule 54, Section Two of this
16 ordinance notes with brackets, bold type, and strike-through the section of Ordinance No.
17 68605, approved March 16, 2010, and codified as 2.08.430 in the City of St. Louis Revised
18 Code of Ordinances, that is repealed by this ordinance.

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1 **SECTION TWO.** Section One of Ordinance No. 68605, approved March 16, 2010, and
2 codified as 2.08.430 in the City of St. Louis Revised Code of Ordinances, is hereby repealed
3 and replaced with a new Section One of Ordinance No. 68605 to be and read as follows:

4 **SECTION ONE.** Payment of Taxes and Bills for Services by Candidates for Elective Office

5 1. Any individual who is delinquent in the filing or payment of any of the following
6 taxes or bills for services shall be prohibited from filing as a candidate for an elected public
7 office ~~in~~ of the City of St. Louis:

- 8 (1) Personal property tax;
- 9 (2) Real property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are
10 wholly or partially owned by the individual filing for elected office;
- 11 (3) City of St. Louis earnings tax; and
- 12 (5) City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.

13
14 2. Any individual filing as a candidate for an elected public office ~~in~~ of the City of St.
15 Louis shall, at the time of their filing, provide the Board of Election Commissioners with
16 proof they are not delinquent in the filing or payment of any of the taxes or bills for services
17 set forth in subsection 1 of this Section One, which proof shall be provided in the form and
18 manner specified in subsections 3 and 4 of this Section One.

19 3. Any individual filing as a candidate for an elected public office ~~in~~ of the City of St.
20 Louis shall, at the time of their filing, file an affidavit with the Board of Election
21 Commissioners in substantially the same form as set forth in subsection 4 of this Section One,
22 and shall attach thereto:

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1 (1) Official copies of receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector
2 of Revenue evidencing the individual is not delinquent in the payment of any
3 of the taxes set forth in subsection 1 of this Section One; and

4 (2) Official statements from the Collector of Revenue evidencing the
5 individual is not delinquent in the payment of any of the bills for services set
6 forth in subsection 1 of this Section One.

7 4. Affidavit.

8 **AFFIRMATION OF PAYMENT OF TAXES AND BILLS FOR SERVICES**

9 I, [full legal name of candidate], hereby declare and affirm under penalties of
10 perjury that I am not delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal
11 property tax, real property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that
12 are wholly or partially owned by me, City of St. Louis earnings tax, and City
13 of St. Louis water and refuse bills.

14 As evidence of the foregoing, I have attached hereto: official copies of receipts
15 or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue evidencing that I
16 am not delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property tax, real
17 property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are wholly or
18 partially owned by me, and City of St. Louis earnings tax; and official
19 statements from the Collector of Revenue evidencing that I am not delinquent
20 in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.

21 _____ Date:

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1 Candidate's Signature
2
3 _____
4 Printed Name
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6 5. Any individual who fails to comply with the requirements of this ordinance shall be
7 prohibited from filing as a candidate for an elected public office ~~in~~ of the City of St. Louis
8 until they have met said requirements, and subject to City of St. Louis ordinances governing
9 the timing for candidates to file for an elected public office ~~in~~ of the City of St. Louis.

10 6. The Board of Election Commissioners shall ~~take affirmative steps to~~ ensure that
11 individuals who do not meet the requirements of this ordinance are not allowed to file as
12 candidates for an elected public office ~~in~~ of the City of St. Louis until said requirements have
13 been met, and subject to City of St. Louis ordinances governing the timing for candidates to
14 file for an elected public office ~~in~~ of the City of St. Louis.

15 7. On the day immediately following the last day on which individuals may file as
16 candidates for an elective public office of the City of St. Louis the Collector of Revenue shall
17 notify the Board of Election Commissioners in writing if any candidates are delinquent in the
18 filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any real property
19 located within the City of St. Louis and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings
20 taxes, or the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills. In the event that a candidate
21 is delinquent in the payment of any of the foregoing taxes or bills such candidate's name shall
22 not be placed on the ballot, and such candidate shall be barred from participating in the
23 current election and, if the current election is a primary election, barred from refileing as a
24 candidate for the same office or any other elected office of the City of St. Louis in the

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1 subsequent general election and shall not have recourse to the remedial actions provided
2 under subsection 8 of this Section One.

3 8. At any time, upon receipt of a written complaint alleging a delinquency of a
4 candidate in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any
5 real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings
6 taxes, or in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills the Board of Election
7 Commissioners shall investigate such candidate to verify the claims contained in the
8 complaint. If the Board of Election Commissioners finds such claims to be true, they shall
9 notify the candidate in writing of the outstanding taxes or bills for City of St. Louis water and
10 refuse services due and give the candidate seven (7) days following the candidate's receipt of
11 notice to remit payment in full of any such outstanding taxes or bills owed which were not
12 theretofore the documented subject of dispute between the respective department and the
13 candidate, and provide the Board of Election Commissioners with proof thereof in the form of
14 official receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue evidencing
15 payment of such taxes or bills. The notice shall be sent via U.S. Postal Service certified
16 mail return receipt requested to the address provided by the candidate on the candidate's
17 declaration of candidacy and shall be deemed received seventy-two (72) hours after mailing.
18 If the candidate fails to remit payment in full of such amounts within the seven (7) day period,
19 the candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the current election and, if the current
20 election is a primary election, barred from refile as a candidate for the same office or any
21 other elected office of the City of St. Louis in the subsequent general election even if the
22 candidate pays all outstanding taxes or bills owed that were the subject of the complaint. Any

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1 such complaint must be filed no later than two (2) weeks prior to the election, provided that
2 any complaint filed later than seven (7) weeks before the election that is later found to be true
3 will result in disqualification of the candidate but may not necessarily result in the candidate's
4 name being physically removed from the ballot.

5 9. Nothing herein shall either preclude or require an independent investigation by the
6 Board of Election Commissioners of all candidates in any given election to determine if any
7 such candidates are delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real
8 property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by
9 any candidate, earnings taxes, or in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills. If
10 the Board of Election Commissioners commences such an investigation and discovers that
11 any candidate is delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real
12 property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by
13 the candidate, earnings taxes, or in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills the
14 Board of Election Commissioners shall notify the candidate in writing of the outstanding
15 taxes or bills due and give the candidate seven (7) days following the candidate's receipt of
16 said notice to remit payment in full of any outstanding taxes or water or refuse bills due which
17 were not theretofore the documented subject of dispute between the respective department
18 and the candidate, and provide the Board of Election Commissioners with proof thereof in the
19 form of official receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue
20 evidencing payment of such taxes or bills. The notice shall be sent via U.S. Postal Service
21 certified mail return receipt requested to the address provided by the candidate on the
22 candidate's declaration of candidacy and shall be deemed received seventy-two (72) hours

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1 after mailing. If the candidate fails to remit payment in full for such amounts within said
2 seven (7) day period the candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the current
3 election and, if the current election is a primary election, barred from refiling as a candidate
4 for the same office or any other elected office of the City of St. Louis in the subsequent
5 general election even if the individual pays all outstanding taxes or bills that were the subject
6 of the complaint.

7 **SECTION THREE.** Severability

8 The sections, subsections and clauses of this ordinance shall be severable. In the event that
9 any section, subsection or clause of this ordinance is found by a court of competent
10 jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining sections, subsections, or clauses of this ordinance are
11 valid, unless the court finds the valid sections of the ordinance are so essential and
12 inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void section that it cannot be presumed
13 that this Board of Aldermen would have enacted the valid section without the void ones, or
14 unless the court finds that the valid sections standing alone are incomplete and incapable of
15 being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

Summary
Board Bill Number 87
Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard
July 20, 2023

The proposed bill repeals Section 2.08.010 of the City's Code, which provides the nomination of candidates for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen and Aldermen at a primary election. In lieu thereof a new Section 2.08.010 is enacted that eliminates the primary requirement where two or fewer candidates file declarations of intent pursuant to Section 2.08.050 or if two or more candidates file declarations of intent and a candidate or candidates withdraw pursuant to 2.08.400 leaving two or fewer candidates. In such cases the two candidates or candidate shall advance to the general election.

BOARD BILL NUMBER 87 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN SHAMEEM CLARK HUBBARD

COSPONSORS: ALDERMAN BRET NARAYAN/ ALDERWOMAN DANIELA VELAZQUEZ/ ALDERMAN MICHAEL BROWNING

1 An ordinance repealing Section 2.08.010 of the City's Code, which provides for the nomination
2 of candidates for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and
3 Alderman at primary elections and, lieu thereof, enacts a new Section 2.08.010 to eliminate the
4 primary requirement where two or fewer candidates file declarations of intent pursuant to Section
5 2.08.050 or if two or more candidates file declarations of intent and a candidate or candidates
6 withdraw pursuant to 2.08.400 leaving two or fewer candidates in which cases the two candidates
7 or candidate shall advance to the general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:

8
9 **SECTION ONE.** Section 2.08.010 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis is hereby
10 repealed, and in lieu thereof of a new Section 2.08.010 is hereby enacted, to be and read as follows:

11 2.08.010 Nominations

12 Except as provided in this Section, all candidates for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller,
13 President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman shall be nominated at a primary election by
14 the direct vote of the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis or, in the case of candidates for the
15 office of Alderman, the candidates shall be nominated by the direct vote of the qualified voters of
16 the ward from which the Alderman is to be elected. If two or fewer candidates have filed
17 declarations of intent pursuant to Section 2.08.050 for the office of Mayor, Comptroller, President
18 of the Board of Aldermen, or Aldermen there shall be no primary election and the two candidates
19 or candidate that have filed declarations of intent shall advance to the general election. If more
20 than two candidates have filed declarations of intent pursuant to Section 2.08.050 for the office of
21 Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or Aldermen and a candidate or

1 candidates withdraw pursuant to Section 2.08.400 leaving two or fewer candidates there shall be
2 no primary election and the remaining two candidates or candidate shall advance to the general
3 election.

4 **~~2.08.010 Nominations.~~**

5 ~~Except as in this chapter otherwise provided, hereafter all candidates for elective~~
6 ~~City offices to be voted for at any general state election, shall be nominated at a primary~~
7 ~~election by the direct vote of the qualified voters of the City; provided, however, that in the~~
8 ~~cases of candidates for membership of the Board of Aldermen they shall be nominated by~~
9 ~~the direct vote of the qualified voters of the ward from which an Alderman is to be elected.~~

City of St. Louis Code and Revised Code

- **2.08.010 - Nominations.**

Except as in this chapter otherwise provided, hereafter all candidates for elective City offices to be voted for at any general state election, shall be nominated at a primary election by the direct vote of the qualified voters of the City; provided, however, that in the cases of candidates for membership of the Board of Aldermen they shall be nominated by the direct vote of the qualified voters of the ward from which an Alderman is to be elected.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 7; 1960 C., § 76.010; 1994 C., § 2.08.010.)

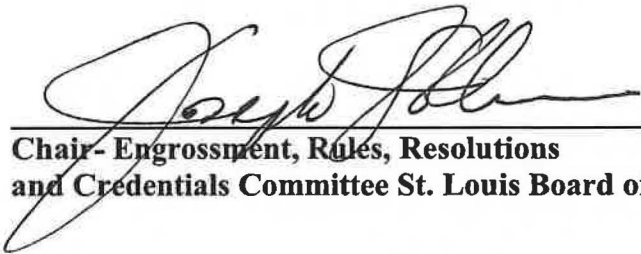
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RSMo 115.339 (2016) Nominations, how made


Cases:

A candidate for a city office in St. Louis at a general city election which is not held at the time of a general state election can be nominated as such candidate in a primary election only if he is a member of a political party. *Priesler v. City of St. Louis*, 322 S.W. 2d 748 (1959).

**Board Bill Number 87
Signature Page**


Chair- Engrossment, Rules, Resolutions
and Credentials Committee St. Louis Board of Aldermen

10.27.23
Date


President, St. Louis Board of Aldermen


10/27/23
Date


Approved - Mayor, City of St. Louis

11/14/2023
Date

Disapproved - Mayor, City of St. Louis

Date


Clerk, St Louis Board of Aldermen

Date

Title 2 ELECTIONS

Chapter 2.04 FLAGS AT POLLING PLACES

2.04.010 Flag to be provided.

The board or officer in charge of elections shall provide a United States flag for each voting precinct and shall send the flag to each voting precinct with the other election paraphernalia for each registration, revision, election or primary election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 1; 1960 C., § 75.010; 1994 C., § 2.04.010.)

2.04.020 Display.

It shall be the duty of each of the judges and each of the clerks of the election at each polling place to see to it that the flag is prominently displayed outside the polling place while the polling place is open and to return it with the other election paraphernalia.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 2; 1960 C., § 75.020; 1994 C., § 2.04.020.)

Chapter 2.08 ELECTION RULES AND PROCEDURES

2.08.010 Nominations.

Except as provided in this section, all candidates for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman shall be nominated at a primary election by the direct vote of the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis or, in the case of candidates for the office of Alderman, the candidates shall be nominated by the direct vote of the qualified voters of the ward from which the Alderman is to be elected. If two (2) or fewer candidates have filed declarations of intent pursuant to Section 2.08.050 for the office of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or Aldermen there shall be no primary election and the two (2) candidates or candidate that have filed declarations of intent shall advance to the general election. If more than two (2) candidates have filed declarations of intent pursuant to Section 2.08.050 for the office of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or Aldermen and a candidate or candidates withdraw pursuant to Section 2.08.400 leaving two (2) or fewer candidates there shall be no primary election and the remaining two (2) candidates or candidate shall advance to the general election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 7; 1960 C., § 76.010; 1994 C., § 2.08.010; Ord. No. 71736, § 1, 11-14-2023.)

2.08.020 Primary—Date.

The primary election shall be held in the regular polling places in each precinct on the first Tuesday of August, 1944, and biennially thereafter for the nomination of candidates for elective City offices, if any, to be voted for at the next general state election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 8; 1960 C., § 76.020; 1994 C., § 2.08.020.)

2.08.030 Primary—Notice.

At least fifteen days prior to the last day for filing as a candidate in the primary herein provided for, the Board of Election Commissioners shall begin publication of a notice of the municipal primary provided for herein, which the notice shall designate the elective City officers, if any, to be nominated at the primary, a list of which shall be obtained from the City Register. The list shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in at least two and not to exceed four newspapers of general circulation in the City.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 9; 1960 C., § 76.030; 1994 C., § 2.08.030.)

2.08.040 Primary—Supplemental notice.

In the event that any vacancy shall arise in any elective City office, subsequent to the time of the commencement of the publication of notice, the Board of Election Commissioners shall publish a supplementary notice designating such office and announcing that candidates therefor shall be nominated at the primary, the notice to conform as nearly as may be to the notice provided for in Section 2.08.030, having regard to limitations of time.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 10; 1960 C., § 76.040; 1994 C., § 2.08.040.)

2.08.050 Declaration of intent.

The name of no candidate shall be printed upon any official ballot at any primary election held under the provisions of this chapter, unless at least sixty days prior to the primary a written declaration shall have been filed by the candidate, as provided in this chapter, stating his full name, residence, office for which he proposes as a candidate, the party upon whose ticket he is to be a candidate, that if nominated and elected to such office he will qualify, and the declaration shall be in substantially the following form:

I, the undersigned, a resident and qualified elector of the _____ precinct of the _____ ward of the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, do announce myself a candidate for the office of _____ on the _____ ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the first Tuesday in August _____ and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

(Signed) _____

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 11; 1960 C., § 76.050; 1994 C., § 2.08.050.)

2.08.060 Candidate payment to political party.

Each candidate previous to filing declaration papers as prescribed by Section 2.08.050 shall pay to the treasurer of the city central committee of the political party upon whose ticket he/she proposes to run as a candidate and seeks nomination, one percent (1%) of the annual salary of the office for which he/she is a

candidate, take a receipt therefor, and file such receipt with and at the same time he/she files his/her declaration papers. The sums of money, so paid by the several candidates, shall be evidence of their good faith in filing declaration papers, and shall be used as an expense fund by the several political parties upon whose tickets the various candidates propose to run as candidates and seek nomination after such nominations are made. It is the intent of this section that no sums or parts of the money so paid shall be used by such treasurer or other member of such committee, or other person, to procure or to defeat the nomination of any candidates who file declarations and seek nomination under the provisions of this chapter.

The required filing fee described in the preceding paragraph may be submitted by the candidate to the Board of Election Commissioners at the time the candidate files his/her declaration of candidacy. All sums so submitted shall be forwarded promptly by the Board of Election Commissioners to the appropriate party city central committee treasurer.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 12; 1960 C., § 76.060; 1994 C., § 2.08.060; Ord. No. 70864, § 1, 12-3-2018; Ord. No. 58267, § 2, 1981.)

2.08.070 Independent candidate payment.

Any person desiring to file declaration papers, or propose as a candidate on any independent or nonpartisan ticket, who does not announce by declaration papers as a candidate for any political party as defined by law, and is not a member of a political party having a state or city committee, or treasurer thereof, shall pay the sum of money required by this chapter to be paid by the candidate for the office for which he proposes to the Treasurer of the City; take a receipt therefor, and file this receipt with his declaration papers. The sum of money, so paid, shall go into the general revenue fund of the City.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 13; 1960 C., § 76.070; 1994 C., § 2.08.070.)

2.08.080 One declaration per candidate—Filing.

No person shall file more than one written declaration indicating the party designation under which his name is to be printed on the ballot of candidates for elective City offices. All declaration papers shall be filed with the Board of Election Commissioners.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 14; 1960 C., § 76.080; 1994 C., § 2.08.080.)

2.08.090 Election notice—Contents—Publishing.

The Board of Election Commissioners shall publish, under the proper party designation, the title to each office, the name and addresses of all persons who shall have filed declaration papers, the date of the primary, the hours during which the polls will be open and that the primary will be held at the regular polling places in each precinct. It shall be the duty of the Board to publish the notice for three consecutive weeks next prior to the primary.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 15; 1960 C., § 76.090; 1994 C., § 2.08.090.)

2.08.100 Election notice—Publishing requirements.

Each publication required in this chapter shall be made in not less than two newspapers of general circulation; one of the newspapers shall represent the political party that cast the largest vote in the City at the preceding election and one of the newspapers shall represent the political party that cast the next largest vote at

such election. In any case where the publication of notice cannot be made as hereinbefore required, it may be made in any newspaper having a general circulation in the City.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 16; 1960 C., § 76.100; 1994 C., § 2.08.100.)

2.08.110 Ballots—Candidates names.

A ballot for candidates for elective City offices to be voted on at the next general state election shall be printed and provided for use at each voting precinct in the form provided herein. The names of all such candidates, who shall have filed declaration papers as prescribed in this chapter, shall be printed thereon.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 17; 1960 C., § 76.110; 1994 C., § 2.08.110.)

2.08.120 Ballots—Sample—Distribution.

At least twenty (20) days before the primary election herein provided for is held, the Board of Election Commissioners shall prepare sample ballots, placing thereon in the order in which they will appear on the official ballot, under the appropriate title of each office and party designation, the names of all candidates to be voted for. The sample ballot shall be printed upon tinted or colored paper, and shall contain no blank endorsement or certificate. The Board of Election Commissioners shall forthwith submit the ticket of each party to the chairman of the city central committee, and mail a copy to each candidate to his post office address, as given in his declaration paper, and they shall post a copy of each sample ballot in a conspicuous place in their office. On or before the tenth day before the holding of any primary election, the Board of Election Commissioners shall correct any errors or omissions in the ballots, cause the same to be printed and distributed, as required by law in the case of ballots for the general election, except that the number of ballots to be furnished to each precinct shall be one and a half times the number of votes cast by any party in the past preceding election and having nominees and tickets at such primary election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 18; 1960 C., § 76.120; 1994 C., § 2.08.120; Ord. No. 70865, § 1, 12-3-2018.)

2.08.130 Primary expenses.

All ballots, blanks and other supplies to be used at any primary election held under the provisions of this chapter, and all expenses necessarily incurred in the preparation for or in conducting such primary, shall be paid out of the Treasury of the City.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 19; 1960 C., § 76.130; 1994 C., § 2.08.130.)

2.08.140 Tickets.

At all primaries there shall be as many separate tickets as there are parties entitled to participate in the primary election. There shall also be a nonpartisan ticket, upon which, under appropriate title of each office, shall be printed the names of all persons by whom declaration papers shall have been filed, as required by this chapter, who do not announce by declaration papers as candidates for any political party, as defined by this chapter. The names of all candidates shall be arranged under the appropriate title of the respective offices, and under the proper party designation upon the party ticket, and upon the nonpartisan ticket, as the case may be. The names of the candidates for each office shall be so altered on the ballots used in the several election precincts, that each name shall appear thereon substantially an equal number of times at the top, at the bottom and in each intermediate place, if any, of the lists or group of names in which the candidate's name belongs, and all officers charged with the preparation and distribution of ballots shall cause the printer's forms to be so transposed and the

ballots so made up as to carry out the intent of this provision. If any elector writes upon his ticket the name of any person who is a candidate for the same office upon some other ticket than that upon which his name is so written, this ballot shall not be counted for such person. On any day of nomination of elective City officers in any primary election precinct, each qualified elector shall be entitled to receive from the judges of the election one ballot of the political party participating in the election for which he desires to vote. It shall be the duty of such judges of election to deliver the ballot to the electors. Before delivering any ballot to the elector, the two judges of election having charge of the ballot shall write their names or initials upon the back of the ballot with indelible pencil, and no other writing shall be on the back of the ballot except the number of the ballot voted.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 20; 1960 C., §§ 76.140, 76.150; 1994 C., § 2.08.140.)

2.08.150 Exception to printed ballot.

Whenever any person shall have filed as a candidate for nomination upon a party ticket which, at the last preceding election for governor, shall have cast less than five percent of the total vote cast for governor in the election, and when not more than one person shall have filed as a candidate for any office on the party ticket, no ballot shall be printed for the primary election herein provided unless upon petition of at least ten per cent of the voters voting in the City at the preceding election for governor. When no ballots are printed as hereinbefore provided the candidates filing declarations and who are unopposed shall be certified, as provided in this chapter, as the nominees of the party casting less than five percent of the vote of the state.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 21; 1960 C., § 76.160; 1994 C., § 2.08.150.)

2.08.160 Vacancies of nominee.

Vacancies resulting from the death or resignation of the nominee of a party at a primary shall be filled by the central committee in the city of the party; provided, however, that no name shall be allowed on any ticket until the required fee shall have been paid.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 22; 1960 C., § 76.170; 1994 C., § 2.08.160.)

2.08.170 Voter qualifications.

No person shall be entitled to vote at any primary unless a qualified elector of the precinct and duly registered therein and known to affiliate with the political party named at the head of the ticket he calls for, and attempts to vote, or obligates himself to support the nominees of such party at the following election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 23; 1960 C., § 76.180; 1994 C., § 2.08.170.)

2.08.180 Challengers and witnesses.

The challengers and witnesses for a primary election to be held under the provisions of this chapter shall be the challengers and witnesses designated for the general state primary.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 24; 1960 C., § 76.190; 1994 C., § 2.08.180.)

2.08.190 Rejection of ballot—Party change.

It shall be the duty of the challenger to challenge and the duty of the judges of election to reject the ballot of any person attempting to vote other than the ticket of the party with which he is known to be affiliated, unless

such person, when challenged, obligates himself, by oath or affirmation, administered by one of the judges, to support the party nominees of the ticket he is voting in the following election. All judges of the election shall have authority and are empowered to administer such oath or affirmation, and any person offering to vote who shall fail or refuse to take or make such oath or affirmation when demanded by such challenger, or required by any judge, shall not be allowed to vote at such primary election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 25; 1960 C., § 76.200; 1994 C., § 2.08.190.)

2.08.200 Canvass of votes.

The canvass of votes shall be made in the same manner and by the same officers as the canvass of an election. The party chairman of the City, or some duly appointed agent to represent each party, shall be allowed to be present and observe the proceedings.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 26; 1960 C., § 76.210; 1994 C., § 2.08.200.)

2.08.210 Returns—Required.

The precinct judges and clerks of election shall immediately after the canvass of the ballot cast, on blanks to be provided for that purpose by the Board of Election Commissioners, make full and accurate returns of the votes cast for each candidate to the Board of Election Commissioners.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 27; 1960 C., § 76.220; 1994 C., § 2.08.210.)

2.08.220 Returns—Procedure.

The canvass of the returns of such primary shall be made by the same officers, and in the manner as now provided by law, for the canvass of returns of a November election. The canvassers shall meet and canvass such returns at ten o'clock on the Friday following the primary. Their returns shall contain the whole number of votes cast for each candidate for each political party, and a duplicate as to each political party shall be delivered to the chairman of such party.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 28; 1960 C., § 76.230; 1994 C., § 2.08.220.)

2.08.230 Party candidate—Determination.

The person receiving the greatest number of votes at a primary as the candidate of a party for an office shall be the candidate of that party for such office and his name as such candidate shall be placed on the ballot for elective City officers to be elected at the following election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 29; 1960 C., § 76.240; 1994 C., § 2.08.230.)

2.08.240 Party candidate—Ties.

In case of a tie vote, the tie shall forthwith be determined by lot by the canvassers.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 30; 1960 C., § 76.250; 1994 C., § 2.08.240.)

2.08.250 Board of Election Commissioners to prepare blanks.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Election Commissioners to prepare and have printed for primary elections, blanks for carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 31; 1960 C., § 76.260; 1994 C., § 2.08.250.)

2.08.260 Designation of judges and clerks.

Judges and clerks for primary elections held under the provisions of this chapter shall be the judges and clerks designated for the general state primary.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 32; 1960 C., § 76.270; 1994 C., § 2.08.260.)

2.08.270 Declaration of results—Certificate of nomination.

Immediately upon the completion of the canvass of the returns of the primary election, the Board of Election Commissioners shall declare the result and issue a certificate of nomination to each person on each party ticket receiving the highest number of votes for nomination for an office.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 33; 1960 C., § 76.280; 1994 C., § 2.08.270.)

2.08.280 Statutes regulating elections to apply to primaries.

The provisions of the statutes now in force in relation to the holding of elections, for solicitation of voters at the polls, the challenging of votes, the manner of conducting elections, of counting the ballots and making the returns thereof, and all other kindred subjects, shall apply to all primaries held under the provisions of this chapter.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 34; 1960 C., § 76.290; 1994 C., § 2.08.280.)

2.08.290 Vacancies occurring after last day for filing.

Whenever a vacancy shall occur in any elective City office fifty days or more prior to a general state election and subsequent to the last day for filing in the primary for candidates for elective City offices as fixed by Section 2.08.050, the political central committees of the City recognized by the laws of the State of Missouri are authorized each to nominate by a vote of a majority of the central committee, including in such committee any successor of any member, which successor has been recognized as such successor by such committee, a person of the same political belief and party as the nominating committee, and having the qualifications to hold such office.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 35; 1960 C., § 76.300; 1994 C., § 2.08.290.)

2.08.300 Central committees to file certificate of nomination.

It shall be the duty of central committees to certify to the Board of Election Commissioners, not less than fifteen days before the date set for the general state election, the name of the person nominated, the office for which he shall have been nominated and the party which such nominee shall represent. The certificate of nomination shall be signed and executed by the presiding officer and secretary of the central committee making such nomination; provided, that in case of the inability of the presiding officer or secretary of any central

committee to perform such duty, the officer thereof next in rank or all the remaining officers shall sign and execute the certificate of nomination, which shall be accepted as if executed by the presiding officer and secretary. (1948 C., Ch. 20, § 36; 1960 C., § 76.310; 1994 C., § 2.08.300.)

2.08.310 Nominees to be placed on ballot.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Election Commissioners to place upon the ballot, as candidates of such parties, the names certified to them in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.08.300; provided, however, that no name of any candidate shall be placed upon the ballot until the candidate shall exhibit to the Board of Election Commissioners a receipt from the central committee evidencing payment of a filing fee in the amount fixed by Section 2.08.060.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 37; 1960 C., § 76.320; 1994 C., § 2.08.310.)

2.08.320 Provisions for nomination—Candidates of parties having no central committee.

If any party or group, political or otherwise, which shall have cast five percent or more of the total votes cast for governor in the last preceding election, shall not have a political central committee recognized as such by the laws of Missouri, the committees or groups representing such parties or groups are authorized to nominate candidates for elective city offices and certify their names to the Board of Election Commissioners as provided in Sections 2.08.290 and 2.08.300 in the case of political central committees recognized as such by the laws of the State of Missouri, and the names of such candidates shall be placed on the ballot as candidates of such parties or groups; provided, such candidates shall exhibit to the Board of Election Commissioners receipts evidencing payment, to such parties or groups, of the filing fee fixed by Section 2.08.060.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 38; 1960 C., § 76.330; 1994 C., § 2.08.320.)

2.08.330 Provisions for nomination—Nonpartisan candidate.

Nonpartisan candidates may be nominated by a certificate signed by registered electors of the city to a number equal to two percent of the entire vote cast at the last preceding election of a mayor; provided that the signer shall declare, in such certificate, that they are bona fide supporters of the candidate sought to be nominated, and have not aided, and will not aid, in the nomination of any other candidate for an elective city office. Such certificates of nomination by electors shall be filed in the office of the Board of Election Commissioners not less than the eighth Monday before the election. The names of persons nominated by certificate signed by electors shall be placed on the ballot, each under the heading "Nonpartisan Candidate."

Before the name of any nonpartisan candidate shall be placed on the ballot as aforesaid, the candidate shall exhibit to the Board of Election Commissioners a receipt evidencing payment to the City Treasurer of the filing fee fixed by Section 2.08.060.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 39; 1960 C., § 76.340; 1994 C., § 2.08.330; Ord. No. 66193, § 2, 2004.)

2.08.340 Substitute candidates.

In the event of the death or withdrawal of any candidate whose name has been certified to the Board of Election Commissioners as a candidate for an elective city office, the political central or ward committee, or party or group, shall certify the name of another candidate to the Board of Election Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of this chapter at any time prior to the election and such name shall be placed on the ballot in lieu of the name of such candidate. In the event of the death or withdrawal of a candidate nominated by a certificate

signed by electors, the name of another nonpartisan candidate may be certified in lieu thereof at any time prior to the election by any group of electors to a number equal to two percent of the entire vote cast at the last preceding election of a mayor.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 40; 1960 C., § 76.350; 1994 C., § 2.08.340.)

2.08.350 Primary elections of City officers to be separate from general state primary.

At all primary elections held under the provisions of this chapter there shall be separate ballots containing the names of candidates for elective City offices only and the Board of Election Commissioners shall provide separate boxes for such ballots and shall endeavor as far as practicable to conduct the primary herein provided for as a separate primary distinct from the general state primary.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 41; 1960 C., § 76.360; 1994 C., § 2.08.350.)

2.08.360 General state elections to be separate from election of candidates for City offices.

At all general state elections at which candidates for elective offices may be voted for there shall be separate ballots containing the names of candidates nominated in accordance with the provisions of this chapter only and the Board of Election Commissioners shall provide separate boxes for such ballots and shall endeavor as far as practicable to conduct the election of candidates for City offices as a separate election distinct from the general state election.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 42; 1960 C., § 76.370; 1994 C., § 2.08.360.)

2.08.370 Change of date of filing declaration of candidacy.

If the state law governing primary elections shall be amended so as to change the last day for filing written declarations by candidates in any general primary election to be held on the first Tuesday of August, then and in such event the last day for filing in the primary herein provided for shall be advanced so as to conform to the date fixed by such amendment to the general primary law of the state.

(1948 C., Ch. 20, § 43; 1960 C., § 76.380; 1994 C., § 2.08.370.)

2.08.380 RSMo 122.650 and 122.660 (1969).

The provisions, terms and conditions contained and set forth in RSMo 122.650 and 122.660(1969) are accepted.

(1960 C., § 76.390; 1994 C., § 2.08.380; Ord. No. 50111, § 1, 1960.)

2.08.390 Election statutes incorporated.

RSMo 122.670, 122.680, 122.710, 122.720, 122.740, 122.750, 122.760, 122.770, 122.780, 122.790, 122.800, 122.810, 122.820, 122.830, 122.840, 122.850, 122.860, 122.870, 122.880, 122.890, 122.900, 122.910, 122.920, 122.930, 122.940, 122.950, and 122.960 are incorporated by reference into this Code set forth in full, the aforesaid provisions, terms and conditions shall be deemed to be in full force and effect.

(1960 C., § 76.400; 1994 C., § 2.08.390; Ord. No. 55836, § 1(part), 1971; Ord. No. 50111, § 2, 1960.)

2.08.400 Filing and withdrawal.

- A. *Time and Procedure for Filing a Declaration of Candidacy.* The name of no candidate shall be printed upon any official ticket or ballot at any primary election held under the provisions of this chapter unless at least sixty (60) days prior to such primary election and on or before five p.m. of such day, but not before one hundred (100) days prior to such primary election at eight a.m. of such day, a written declaration of candidacy shall be filed by the candidate stating the candidate's full name, as it appears on his or her voter registration card, residence and occupation, the office for which he or she proposes as candidate, the party upon whose ticket he or she is to be a candidate, in typewritten or printed words, that the candidate and members of his or her family have received no personal remuneration, or any personal gift, or other personal favor or promise for his or her filing such declaration of candidacy; and that if nominated and elected, to such office the candidate will qualify. Such declaration of candidacy shall be substantially in the following form:

I, the undersigned _____ (sufficient space in which to typewrite or print the candidate's name, residence and occupation), a resident and qualified elector of the _____ precinct of the _____ ward, in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, do announce myself as a candidate for the office of _____ on the _____ ticket, to be voted for at the primary election to be held on the _____ day of March, _____, and I declare that neither I, nor any member of my family, has received any personal remuneration, or any personal gift, or other personal favor or promise for filing this declaration; and I further declare that if nominated and elected to such office I will qualify.

Signed

- B. *Withdrawal of Candidacy, Deadline for, How Made.*
1. Any person who has filed a declaration of candidacy for nomination and who wishes to withdraw as a candidate shall, not later than fifty (50) days prior to such primary election on or before five p.m. of such day, file a written, sworn statement of withdrawal in the office of the official who accepted his or her declaration of candidacy.
 2. The name of a person who has filed a declaration of candidacy who has not given notice of withdrawal as provided in Subsection B.1 of this section, shall be printed on the official primary ticket or ballot.

(1960 C., § 76.410; 1994 C., § 2.08.400; Ord. No. 70866, § 1, 12-3-2018; Ord. No. 59982, § 1, 1986; Ord. No. 55836, § 1(part), 1971; Ord. No. 50111, § 3, 1960.)

2.08.410 City Register duties.

At least one hundred and twenty days before the time for holding such March primary election the City Register shall prepare and transmit to the Board of Election Commissioners of the City a notice in writing, designating the offices to be filled at the succeeding City election and the yearly salaries of each.

(1960 C., § 76.420; 1994 C., § 2.08.410; Ord. No. 59982, § 2, 1986; Ord. No. 55836, § 1(part), 1971; Ord. No. 50111, § 4, 1960.)

2.08.420 Publication of list of offices to be filled.

Upon receipt of such notice, the Board of Election Commissioners shall, beginning within seven days thereafter, cause to be published for two consecutive days a list of offices for which candidates are to be nominated at the primary in three newspapers of general circulation, published in the City in which the Board of Election Commissioners is acting.

(1960 C., § 76.430; 1994 C., § 2.08.420; Ord. No. 55836, § 1(part), 1971.)

2.08.430 Payment of taxes and bills for services by candidates for elective office.

1. Any individual who is delinquent in the filing or payment of any of the following taxes or bills for services shall be prohibited from filing as a candidate for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis:
 - (1) Personal property tax;
 - (2) Real property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are wholly or partially owned by the individual filing for elected office;
 - (3) City of St. Louis earnings tax; and
 - (4) City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.
2. Any individual filing as a candidate for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis shall, at the time of their filing, provide the Board of Election Commissioners with proof they are not delinquent in the filing or payment of any of the taxes or bills for services set forth in subsection 1 of this Section 2.08.430, which proof shall be provided in the form and manner specified in subsections 3 and 4 of this Section 2.08.430.
3. Any individual filing as a candidate for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis shall, at the time of their filing, file an affidavit with the Board of Election Commissioners in substantially the same form as set forth in subsection 4 of this Section 2.08.430, and shall attach thereto:
 - (1) Official copies of receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue evidencing the individual is not delinquent in the payment of any of the taxes set forth in subsection 1 of this Section 2.08.430; and
 - (2) Official statements from the Collector of Revenue evidencing the individual is not delinquent in the payment of any of the bills for services set forth in subsection 1 of this Section 2.08.430.
4. Affidavit.

AFFIRMATION OF PAYMENT OF TAXES AND BILLS FOR SERVICES

I, [full legal name of candidate], hereby declare and affirm under penalties of perjury that I am not delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property tax, real property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are wholly or partially owned by me, City of St. Louis earnings tax, and City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.

As evidence of the foregoing, I have attached hereto: official copies of receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue evidencing that I am not delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property tax, real property tax on properties located in the City of St. Louis that are wholly or partially owned by me, and City of St. Louis earnings tax; and official statements from the Collector of Revenue evidencing that I am not delinquent in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills.

Date:

Candidate's Signature

Printed Name

5. Any individual who fails to comply with the requirements of this chapter shall be prohibited from filing as a candidate for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis until they have met said requirements, and

subject to City of St. Louis ordinances governing the timing for candidates to file for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis.

6. The Board of Election Commissioners shall ensure that individuals who do not meet the requirements of this chapter are not allowed to file as candidates for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis until said requirements have been met, and subject to City of St. Louis ordinances governing the timing for candidates to file for an elected public office of the City of St. Louis.
7. On the day immediately following the last day on which individuals may file as candidates for an elective public office of the City of St. Louis the Collector of Revenue shall notify the Board of Election Commissioners in writing if any candidates are delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any real property located within the City of St. Louis and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings taxes, or the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills. In the event that a candidate is delinquent in the payment of any of the foregoing taxes or bills such candidate's name shall not be placed on the ballot, and such candidate shall be barred from participating in the current election and, if the current election is a primary election, barred from refiling as a candidate for the same office or any other elected office of the City of St. Louis in the subsequent general election and shall not have recourse to the remedial actions provided under subsection 8 of this Section 2.08.430.
8. At any time, upon receipt of a written complaint alleging a delinquency of a candidate in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings taxes, or in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills the Board of Election Commissioners shall investigate such candidate to verify the claims contained in the complaint. If the Board of Election Commissioners finds such claims to be true, they shall notify the candidate in writing of the outstanding taxes or bills for City of St. Louis water and refuse services due and give the candidate seven (7) days following the candidate's receipt of notice to remit payment in full of any such outstanding taxes or bills owed which were not theretofore the documented subject of dispute between the respective department and the candidate, and provide the Board of Election Commissioners with proof thereof in the form of official receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue evidencing payment of such taxes or bills. The notice shall be sent via U.S. Postal Service certified mail return receipt requested to the address provided by the candidate on the candidate's declaration of candidacy and shall be deemed received seventy-two (72) hours after mailing. If the candidate fails to remit payment in full of such amounts within the seven (7) day period, the candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the current election and, if the current election is a primary election, barred from refiling as a candidate for the same office or any other elected office of the City of St. Louis in the subsequent general election even if the candidate pays all outstanding taxes or bills owed that were the subject of the complaint. Any such complaint must be filed no later than two (2) weeks prior to the election, provided that any complaint filed later than seven (7) weeks before the election that is later found to be true will result in disqualification of the candidate but may not necessarily result in the candidate's name being physically removed from the ballot.
9. Nothing herein shall either preclude or require an independent investigation by the Board of Election Commissioners of all candidates in any given election to determine if any such candidates are delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by any candidate, earnings taxes, or in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills. If the Board of Election Commissioners commences such an investigation and discovers that any candidate is delinquent in the filing or payment of any personal property taxes, real property taxes on any real property located within the City and owned in whole or in part by the candidate, earnings taxes, or in the payment of City of St. Louis water and refuse bills the Board of Election Commissioners shall notify the candidate in writing of the outstanding taxes or bills due and give the candidate seven (7) days following the candidate's receipt of said notice to remit payment in full of any outstanding taxes or water or refuse bills due which were not theretofore the documented subject of dispute between the respective department and the candidate, and provide the Board of Election Commissioners

with proof thereof in the form of official receipts or statements of no taxes due from the Collector of Revenue evidencing payment of such taxes or bills. The notice shall be sent via U.S. Postal Service certified mail return receipt requested to the address provided by the candidate on the candidate's declaration of candidacy and shall be deemed received seventy-two (72) hours after mailing. If the candidate fails to remit payment in full for such amounts within said seven (7) day period the candidate shall be disqualified from participating in the current election and, if the current election is a primary election, barred from refiling as a candidate for the same office or any other elected office of the City of St. Louis in the subsequent general election even if the individual pays all outstanding taxes or bills that were the subject of the complaint.

(1994 C., § 2.08.430; Ord. No. 70991, § 2, 4-26-2019; Ord. No. 68605, §§ 1—3, 3-16-2010.)

2.08.440 Disclosure of donors.

Any not for profit entity organized or operating under 501(c)4 or 501(c)6 of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States making aggregate expenditures or contributions in excess of \$500.00 in support or opposition to a candidate for mayor, comptroller, president of the Board of Aldermen or a City of St. Louis ballot measure shall file a donor disclosure report. The donor disclosure report shall be filed with the Board of Election Commissioners within 48 hours of making such expenditures or contributions. The report shall detail the name, address, employer, or if self-employed, the occupation of each donor to the not for profit entity. The initial report shall list such donor information for the prior one-year period. After subsequent aggregate expenditures or contributions in excess of \$500.00, an additional donor disclosure report is required within 48 hours providing donor information since the last report. Any not for profit entity failing to file a required donor disclosure report shall be liable for a civil penalty equal to the amount of its aggregate expenditures and contributions plus \$500.00. Any candidate or ballot measure campaign receiving a contribution from a not for profit entity that has not filed a required disclosure report shall return such contribution. This section shall not apply to not for profit entities that file donor information reports under RSMo Ch. 130.

(1994 C., § 2.08.440; Ord. No. 69350, § 1, 12-20-2012.)

2.08.450 Municipal elections.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the elections for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman shall be conducted as non-partisan, top-two runoff elections. Elections for any municipal offices not provided for in the Charter or this Code as of the date of enactment of this section shall be conducted as described in Section 2.08.460.

(Amd. of 11-3-2020)

2.08.460 Conduct of municipal elections.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in the primary election for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman, voters shall select as many candidates as they approve of for each office. The two candidates receiving the most votes for each office shall advance to the general election. The candidate for each office receiving the most votes in the general election shall be declared the winner.

(Amd. of 11-3-2020)

2.08.470 Ballot instructions for municipal elections

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the primary election for the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and Alderman, the instructions on the ballot shall state, "Vote for AS MANY names as you approve of," with "AS MANY" being written in uppercase.

(Amd. of 11-3-2020)

2.08.480 Vacancies

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the election to fill a vacancy in the offices of Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, or Alderman shall be conducted as a non-partisan, top-two runoff election.

(Amd. of 11-3-2020)

2.08.490 Effect on election ordinances

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the elections described in Section 2.08.450 shall be non-partisan elections. Candidates for office elected by the method described in Section 2.08.460 shall be required to declare their candidacy with the Board of Elections, however, they shall not declare a party affiliation to the Board of Elections.

To the extent that there is no conflict, generally-applicable election ordinances shall apply to the elections described in Section 2.08.450. However, no political party committee shall be allowed to formally nominate a candidate for non-partisan office, but nothing herein shall prohibit a party or committee from endorsing any candidate.

(Amd. of 11-3-2020)

Chapter 2.12 WARDS

2.12.010 Boundaries established.

This City is divided into fourteen (14) wards, the boundaries of which are set forth below and are established as follows:

WARD 14

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of E Warne Ave. and W Florissant Ave., and proceeding northerly along E Warne Ave. to Zealand St., and proceeding northerly along Zealand St. to Adelaide Ave., and proceeding easterly along Adelaide Ave. to the Mississippi River, and proceeding easterly along the Mississippi River to the St. Louis City county line, and proceeding southerly along the St. Louis City county line to Florida St., and proceeding westerly along Florida St. to Lewis St., and proceeding southerly along Lewis St. to Dickson St., and proceeding westerly along Dickson St. to N 1st St., and proceeding southerly along N 1st St. to O'Fallon St., and proceeding westerly along O'Fallon St. to N 2nd St., and proceeding northerly along N 2nd St. to Dickson St., and proceeding westerly along Dickson St. to N 3rd St., and proceeding southerly along N 3rd St. to Biddle St., and proceeding westerly along Biddle St. to I-44, and proceeding southerly along I-44 to Cole St., and proceeding westerly along Cole St. to N 9th St., and proceeding southerly along N 9th St. to Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., and proceeding westerly along Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. to

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N 10th St., and proceeding southerly along N 10th St. to Lucas Ave., and proceeding easterly along Lucas Ave. to N 9th St., and proceeding southerly along N 9th St. to Pine St., and proceeding westerly along Pine St. to N 11th St., and proceeding southerly along N 11th St. to Market St., and proceeding westerly along Market St. to S 11th St., and proceeding southerly along S 11th St. to Clark Ave., and proceeding westerly along Clark Ave. to S Tucker Blvd., and proceeding southerly along S Tucker Blvd. to I-64, and proceeding westerly along I-64 to S 14th St., and proceeding northerly along S 14th St. to Market St., and proceeding westerly along Market St. to S 20th St., and proceeding southerly along S 20th St. to Clark Ave., and proceeding westerly along Clark Ave. to 21st St., and proceeding southerly along 21st St. 0.0154 miles, and proceeding easterly 0.0677 miles to railroad, and proceeding southerly along railroad to I-64, and proceeding westerly along I-64 to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding northerly along S Jefferson Ave. to N Jefferson Ave., and proceeding northerly along N Jefferson Ave. to Stoddard St., and proceeding westerly along Stoddard St. to Glasgow Ave., and proceeding northerly along Glasgow Ave. to Palm St., and proceeding westerly along Palm St. to N Garrison Ave., and proceeding southerly along N Garrison Ave. to east/west alley immediately south of Palm Pl., and proceeding westerly along said alley to N Grand Blvd., and proceeding northerly along N Grand Blvd. to W Florissant Ave., and proceeding westerly along W Florissant Ave. to the point of beginning.

Population: 20,647

WARD 13

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the St. Louis City county line and Page Blvd., and proceeding northerly along the St. Louis City county line to the Mississippi River, proceeding westerly along the Mississippi River to E. Carrie Ave., and proceeding westerly along E Carrie Ave. to Norfolk and Western Rlwy., and proceeding northerly along Norfolk and Western Rlwy. to Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR, and proceeding northerly along Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR to E Railroad Ave., and proceeding northerly along E Railroad Ave. to Antelope St., and proceeding easterly along Antelope St. to Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR, and proceeding easterly along Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR to Hall St., and proceeding northerly along Hall St. to Gimblin Rd., and proceeding westerly along Gimblin Rd. to Gimblin St., and proceeding westerly along Gimblin St. to Newby St., and proceeding northerly along Newby St. to Sells Ave., and proceeding westerly along Sells Ave. to Annetta Ave., and proceeding northerly along Annetta Ave. to McLaran Ave., and proceeding westerly along McLaran Ave. to Riverview Blvd., and proceeding southerly along Riverview Blvd. to Melrose Ave., and proceeding westerly along Melrose Ave. to Riverview Blvd., and proceeding southerly along Riverview Blvd. to W Florissant Ave., and proceeding southerly along W Florissant Ave. to Union Blvd., and proceeding southerly along Union Blvd. to Natural Bridge Ave., and proceeding westerly along Natural Bridge Ave. to Arlington Ave., and proceeding southerly along Arlington Ave. to Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., and proceeding easterly along Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. to Union Blvd. and proceeding southerly along Union Blvd. to Page Blvd., and proceeding westerly along Page Blvd. to the point of beginning.

Population: 20,584

WARD 12

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Arlington Ave. and Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., and proceeding northerly along Arlington Ave. to Natural Bridge Ave., and proceeding easterly along Natural Bridge Ave. to Union Blvd., and proceeding northerly along Union Blvd. to W Florissant Ave., and proceeding northerly along W Florissant Ave. to Riverview Blvd., and proceeding northerly along Riverview Blvd. to McLaran Ave., and proceeding easterly along McLaran Ave. to Annetta Ave., and proceeding southerly along Annetta Ave. to Sells Ave., and proceeding easterly along Sells Ave. to Newby St., and proceeding southerly along Newby St. to Gimblin St., and proceeding easterly along Gimblin St. to Gimblin Rd., and proceeding easterly along Gimblin Rd. to Hall St., and proceeding southerly along Hall St. to Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR, and proceeding westerly along Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR to Antelope St., and proceeding westerly along Antelope St. to E Railroad Ave., and proceeding southerly along E Railroad Ave. to Terminal Railway Association of St. Louis RR, and proceeding southerly along Terminal

Railway Association of St. Louis RR to Norfolk and Western Rlwy., and proceeding southerly along Norfolk and Western Rlwy. to E Carrie Ave., and proceeding easterly along E Carrie Ave. to the Mississippi River, and proceeding easterly along the Mississippi River to the St. Louis City county line, and proceeding southerly along the St. Louis City county line to Adelaide Ave., and proceeding westerly along Adelaide Ave. to I-70, and proceeding westerly along I-70 to E Taylor Ave., and proceeding northerly along E Taylor Ave. to I-70, and proceeding westerly along I-70 to N Newstead Ave., and proceeding southerly along N Newstead Ave. to Dryden Ave., and proceeding westerly along Dryden Ave. to Bessie Ave., and proceeding westerly along Bessie Ave. to Marcus Ave., and proceeding southerly along Marcus Ave. to E Lee Ave., and proceeding westerly along E Lee Ave. to Marcus Ave., and proceeding southerly along Marcus Ave. to Natural Bridge Ave., and proceeding easterly along Natural Bridge Ave. to N Vandeventer Ave., and proceeding southerly along N Vandeventer Ave. to Enright Ave., and proceeding westerly along Enright Ave. to Whittier St., and proceeding southerly along Whittier St. to Delmar Blvd., and proceeding westerly along Delmar Blvd. to N Taylor Ave., and proceeding northerly along N Taylor Ave. to Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., and proceeding westerly along Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. to the point of beginning.

Population: 21,153

WARD 11

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of S Vandeventer Ave. and Chouteau Ave., and proceeding easterly along S Vandeventer Ave. to N Vandeventer Ave., and proceeding northerly along N Vandeventer Ave. to Natural Bridge Ave., and proceeding westerly along Natural Bridge Ave. to Marcus Ave., and proceeding northerly along Marcus Ave. to E Lee Ave., and proceeding easterly along E Lee Ave. to Marcus Ave., and proceeding northerly along Marcus Ave. to Bessie Ave., and proceeding easterly along Bessie Ave. to Dryden Ave., and proceeding easterly along Dryden Ave. to N Newstead Ave., and proceeding northerly along N Newstead Ave. I-70, and proceeding easterly along I-70 to E Taylor Ave., and proceeding southerly along E Taylor Ave. to I-70, and proceeding easterly along I-70 to Adelaide Ave., and proceeding westerly along Adelaide Ave. to Zealand St., and proceeding southerly along Zealand St. to E Warne Ave., and proceeding southerly along E Warne Ave. to W Florissant Ave., and proceeding easterly along W Florissant Ave. to N Grand Blvd., and proceeding southerly along N Grand Blvd. to east/west alley immediately south of Palm Pl., and proceeding easterly along said alley to N Garrison Ave., and proceeding northerly along N Garrison Ave. to Palm St., and proceeding easterly along Palm St. to Glasgow Ave., and proceeding southerly along Glasgow Ave. to Stoddard St., and proceeding easterly along Stoddard St. to N Jefferson Ave., and proceeding southerly along N Jefferson Ave. to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding southerly along S Jefferson Ave. to Chouteau Ave., and proceeding westerly along Chouteau Ave. to the point of beginning.

Population: 20,651

WARD 10

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the St. Louis City county line and Clayton Rd., and proceeding northerly along the St. Louis City county line to Page Blvd., and proceeding easterly along Page Blvd. to Union Blvd., and proceeding northerly along Union Blvd. to Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., and proceeding easterly along Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. to N Taylor Ave., and proceeding southerly along N Taylor Ave. to Delmar Blvd., and proceeding westerly along Delmar Blvd. to Union Blvd., and proceeding southerly along Union Blvd. to Lindell Blvd., and proceeding easterly along Lindell Blvd. to N Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding southerly along N Kingshighway Blvd. to S Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding southerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to Oakland Ave., and proceeding westerly along Oakland Ave. to Clayton Ave., and proceeding westerly along Clayton Ave. to Clayton Rd., and proceeding westerly along Clayton Rd. to the point of beginning.

Population: 20,922

WARD 9

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Macklind Ave. and Manchester Ave., and proceeding northerly along Macklind Ave. to Oakland Ave., and proceeding easterly along Oakland Ave. to S Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding northerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to N Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding northerly along N Kingshighway Blvd. to Lindell Blvd., and proceeding westerly along Lindell Blvd. to Union Blvd., and proceeding northerly along Union Blvd. to Delmar Blvd., and proceeding easterly along Delmar Blvd. to Whittier St., and proceeding northerly along Whittier St. to Enright Ave., and proceeding easterly along Enright Ave. to N Vandeventer Ave., and proceeding southerly along N Vandeventer Ave. to S Vandeventer Ave., and proceeding southerly along S Vandeventer Ave. to I-44, and proceeding westerly along I-44 to S Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding northerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to Manchester Ave., and proceeding westerly along Manchester Ave. to the point of beginning.

Population: 20,571

WARD 8

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of S Broadway and E Dover St., and proceeding northerly along S Broadway to Eichelberger St., and proceeding westerly along Eichelberger St. to Pennsylvania Ave., and proceeding northerly along Pennsylvania Ave. to Delor St., and proceeding westerly along Delor St. to I-55, and proceeding northerly along I-55 to S Broadway, and proceeding northerly along S Broadway to Osceola St., and proceeding easterly along Osceola St. 0.0203 miles to S Broadway, and proceeding northerly along S Broadway to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding northerly along S Jefferson Ave. to Park Ave., and proceeding easterly along Park 0.0107 miles, and proceeding northwesterly along Park Ave. 0.00735 miles to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding northerly along S Jefferson Ave. to I-64, and proceeding easterly along I-64 to 0.449 miles to railroad, and proceeding northerly along railroad 0.11 miles, and proceeding westerly to 21st St., and proceeding northerly along 21st St. to Clark, and proceeding easterly along Clark Ave. to S 20th St., and proceeding northerly along S 20th St. to Market St., and proceeding easterly along Market St. to S 14th St., and proceeding southerly along S 14th St. to I-64, and proceeding easterly along I-64 to S Tucker Blvd., and proceeding northerly along S Tucker Blvd. to Clark Ave., and proceeding easterly along Clark Ave. to S 11th St., and proceeding northerly along S 11th St. to Market St., and proceeding easterly along Market St. to N 11th St., and proceeding northerly along N 11th St. to Pine St., and proceeding easterly along Pine St. to N 9th St., and proceeding northerly along N 9th St. to Lucas Ave., and proceeding westerly along Lucas Ave. to N 10th St., and proceeding northerly along N 10th St. to Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., and proceeding easterly along Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. to N 9th St., and proceeding northerly along N 9th St. to Cole St., and proceeding easterly along Cole St. to I-44, and proceeding northerly along I-44 to Biddle St., and proceeding easterly along Biddle St. to N 3rd St., and proceeding northerly along N 3rd St. to Dickson St., and proceeding easterly along Dickson St. to N 2nd St., and proceeding southerly along N 2nd St. to O'Fallon St., and proceeding easterly along O'Fallon St. to N 1st St., and proceeding northerly along N 1st St. to Dickson St., and proceeding easterly along Dickson St. to Lewis St., and proceeding northerly along Lewis St. to Florida St., and proceeding easterly along Florida St. to the St. Louis City county line, and proceeding southerly along the St. Louis City county line to E Dover St., and proceeding westerly along E Dover St. to the point of beginning.

Population: 21,751

WARD 7

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of S Vandeventer Ave. and I-44, and proceeding northerly along S Vandeventer Ave. to Chouteau Ave., and proceeding easterly along Chouteau Ave. to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding southerly along S Jefferson Ave. to Park Ave., and proceeding westerly along Park Ave. to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding southerly along S Jefferson Ave. to Winnebago St., and proceeding westerly along Winnebago St. to S Grand Blvd., and proceeding northerly along S Grand Blvd. to Shenandoah Ave., and proceeding easterly along Shenandoah Ave. to Nebraska Ave., and proceeding northerly along Nebraska Ave. to I-44, and proceeding westerly along I-44 to the point of beginning.

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Population: 21,361

WARD 6

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of S Kingshighway Blvd. and Chippewa St., and proceeding northerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to Magnolia Ave., and proceeding easterly along Magnolia Ave. to Tower Grove Ave., and proceeding northerly along Tower Grove Ave. to I-44, and proceeding easterly along I-44 to Nebraska Ave., and proceeding southerly along Nebraska Ave. to Shenandoah Ave., and proceeding westerly along Shenandoah Ave. to S Grand Blvd., and proceeding southerly along S Grand Blvd. to Dunnica Ave., and proceeding westerly along Dunnica Ave. to Bamberger Ave., and proceeding southerly along Bamberger Ave. to Keokuk St., and proceeding westerly along Keokuk St. to Hydraulic Ave., and proceeding southerly along Hydraulic Ave. to Meramec St., and proceeding easterly along Meramec St. to Hydraulic Ave., and proceeding southerly along Hydraulic Ave. to Bingham Ave., and proceeding westerly along Bingham Ave. to Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding northerly along Missouri Pacific RR to Chippewa St., and proceeding westerly along Chippewa St. to the point of beginning.

Population: 22,692

WARD 5

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Hampton Ave. and east/west alley immediately south of Rosa, and proceeding northerly along Hampton Ave. to Columbia Ave., and proceeding easterly along Columbia Ave. to Hampton Ave., and proceeding northerly along Hampton Ave. to Manchester Ave., and proceeding easterly along Manchester Ave. to S Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding southerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to I-44, and proceeding easterly along I-44 to Tower Grove Ave., and proceeding southerly along Tower Grove Ave. to Magnolia Ave., and proceeding westerly along Magnolia Ave. to S Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding southerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to Rosa Ave., and proceeding westerly along Rosa Ave. to the east/west alley immediately south of Rosa, and proceeding westerly along said alley to the point of beginning.

Population: 22,521

WARD 4

Beginning at the point of intersection of the St. Louis City/County line and Watson Rd., and proceeding northerly along the St. Louis City/County line to Clayton Rd., and proceeding easterly along Clayton Rd. to Clayton Ave., and proceeding southerly along Clayton Ave. to Oakland Ave., and proceeding easterly along Oakland Ave. to Macklind Ave., and proceeding southerly along Macklind Ave. to Manchester Ave., and proceeding westerly along Manchester Ave. to Hampton Ave., and proceeding southerly along Hampton Ave. to Columbia Ave., and proceeding westerly along Columbia Ave. to Hampton Ave., and proceeding southerly along Hampton Ave. to Chippewa St., and proceeding westerly along Chippewa St. to the St. Louis City/County line, and proceeding southerly along the St. Louis City/County line to Chippewa St., and proceeding westerly along Chippewa St. to Watson Rd., and proceeding southerly along Watson Rd. to the point of beginning.

Population: 21,627

WARD 3

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of S Grand Blvd. and Holly Hills Ave., and proceeding northerly along S Grand Blvd. to Walsh St., and proceeding westerly along Walsh St. to S 38th St., and proceeding southerly along S 38th St. to Walsh St., and proceeding westerly along Walsh St. to Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding northerly along Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding easterly to Bingham Ave., and proceeding easterly along Bingham Ave. to Hydraulic Ave., and proceeding northerly along Hydraulic Ave. to Meramec St., and proceeding westerly along Meramec St. to Hydraulic Ave., and proceeding northerly along Hydraulic Ave. to Keokuk St., and proceeding easterly along Keokuk St. to Bamberger Ave., and proceeding northerly along Bamberger Ave. to Dunnica Ave., and proceeding easterly

along Dunnica Ave. to S Grand Blvd., and proceeding northerly along S Grand Blvd. to Winnebago St., and proceeding easterly along Winnebago St. to S Jefferson Ave., and proceeding southerly along S Jefferson Ave. to S Broadway, and proceeding southerly along S Broadway to Osceola St., and proceeding westerly along Osceola St. to S Broadway, and proceeding southerly along S Broadway to I-55, and proceeding westerly along I-55 to Delor St., and proceeding easterly along Delor St. to Pennsylvania Ave., and proceeding southerly along Pennsylvania Ave. to Eichelberger St., and proceeding easterly along Eichelberger St. to S Broadway, and proceeding southerly along S Broadway to Bates St., and proceeding westerly along Bates St. to I-55, and proceeding westerly along I-55 to Holly Hills Ave., and proceeding westerly along Holly Hills Ave. to the point of beginning.

Population: 21,753

WARD 2

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Watson Rd. and the St. Louis City county line, and proceeding easterly along Watson Rd. to Chippewa St., and proceeding easterly along Chippewa St. to Hampton Ave., and proceeding southerly along Hampton Ave. to east/west alley immediately south of Rosa, and proceeding easterly along said alley to Rosa Ave., and proceeding easterly along Rosa Ave. to S Kingshighway Blvd., and proceeding northerly along S Kingshighway Blvd. to Chippewa St., and proceeding easterly along Chippewa St. to Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding southerly along Missouri Pacific RR to Gravois Ave., and proceeding southerly along Gravois Ave. to Milentz Ave., and proceeding southerly along Milentz Ave. to Printz Ave., and proceeding westerly along Printz Ave. to Holly Hills Ave., and proceeding southerly along Holly Hills Ave. to Holly Hills Blvd., and proceeding easterly along Holly Hills Blvd. to Morganford Rd., and proceeding southerly along Morganford Rd. to the St. Louis City county line, and proceeding westerly along the St. Louis City county line to the point of beginning.

Population: 22,653

WARD 1

All of that portion of St. Louis City County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Morganford Rd. and the St. Louis City County line, and proceeding northerly along Morganford Rd. to Holly Hills Blvd., and proceeding westerly along Holly Hills Blvd. to Holly Hills Ave., and proceeding westerly along Holly Hills Ave. to Printz Ave., and proceeding easterly along Printz Ave. to Milentz Ave., and proceeding northerly along Milentz Ave. to Gravois Ave., and proceeding easterly along Gravois Ave. to Missouri Pacific RR, and proceeding southerly along Missouri Pacific RR to Walsh St., and proceeding easterly along Walsh St. to S 38th St., and proceeding northerly along S 38th St. to Walsh St., and proceeding easterly along Walsh St. to S Grand Blvd., and proceeding southerly along S Grand Blvd. to Holly Hills Ave., and proceeding easterly along Holly Hills Ave. to I-55, and proceeding easterly along I-55 to Bates St., and proceeding easterly along Bates St. to S Broadway, and proceeding southerly along S Broadway to E Dover St., and proceeding easterly along E Dover St. to the St. Louis City County line, and proceeding southerly along the St. Louis City County line to the point of beginning.

Population: 22,692

(1994 C., § 2.12.010; Ord. No. 71443, §§ 1, 2, 12-27-2021; Ord. No. 68981, § 2, 7-26-2011)

BB 88 - Update Title 2, Elections Bill



What Does this Bill Do?

- Cleans up language throughout 2.08 regarding political parties as St. Louis now has non-partisan elections
- Reorders Election Code to be in chronological order of events
- Clarifies process in case of a tie, how an election is called, and how petition signatures are counted
- Strengthens process for the BOE and Collector of Revenue to identify if any candidate has not paid their taxes or bills in full
- Changes filing fee for alders to \$100 and citywide elected officials to \$250



What Does this Bill Do?

- Codifies current BOE policies like ballot order
- Clarifies process for Special Elections,
 - Alderperson elections also to be carried out as nonpartisan if the Charter is changed
- No primary with two or fewer candidates **only in special elections**
- Takes out old language that is no longer relevant



Why is this Important?

- Our election code is currently inconsistent
- The last time the entire code was rewritten was 1948
- The citizens of St. Louis voted to change the voting mechanism to non-partisan approval voting, but the code was not updated to reflect this revision
- Approval voting works best when there are multiple qualified candidates to choose from
- 37% of Americans cannot cover a \$400 expense (Federal Reserve Bureau 2023)
- The real test of a candidate is collecting signatures - this takes time, effort, and support from the community
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Engaged Stakeholders

- Board of Election Commissioners
- League of Women Voters
- Almost every Alderperson
- Mayor's Office
- Comptroller's Office



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QUESTIONS?



Purpose of this bill:

- Our election code is incredibly inconsistent and outdated
 - This has led to confusion and legal battles
- Updating the code to be consistent with our method of voting will make it easier to understand for voters and candidates

What the bill does:

- Cleans up language throughout 2.08 regarding political parties, as St. Louis now has non-partisan elections
- Reorders the Election Code to be in chronological order of events
- Clarifies the process in case of a tie, how an election is called, and how petition signatures are counted
- Strengthens the process for the BOE and the Collector of Revenue to identify if any candidate has not paid their taxes or bills in full
- Changes the filing fee for alders to \$100 and citywide elected officials to \$250 to be consistent with other elected offices and their filing fees
- Codifies current BOE policies like ballot order
- Clarifies the process for Special Elections, Alder elections also to be nonpartisan if the Charter is changed
- Only in Special Elections; there will be no primary with two or fewer candidates
- Takes out old language that is no longer relevant

Importance of changing this:

- Our election code is currently inconsistent
- The last time the entire code was rewritten was in 1948
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Final notes:

- This bill was written in conjunction with the Board of Election Commissioners. Updating the code is incredibly important to make their jobs easier and more efficient. The update includes minor changes to reflect the 21st century.