

Election Information

The City of Long Lake administers city (Mayor and Council Member offices), school district, state and federal elections for its residents in even years. The polling place for all residents is City Hall located at 450 Virginia Avenue, Long Lake, MN 55356.

Please note that there are large areas of the cities of Orono and Medina that fall under the Long Lake mailing zip code, which can cause some residency confusion for election purposes. If you receive bills for city services (water, sewer, garbage or recycling) from Orono or Medina but use a Long Lake zip code for your mailing address, you are not a Long Lake resident and would need to contact your city of residence to determine your voting/polling location.

Contact the City Clerk with any election-related questions you may have.

Upcoming Election Dates

May 14, 2024 -- Special General Election - Hennepin County Commissioner District 6 Office

Special general to fill a vacancy for County Commissioner. Absentee voting (ballot and envelope system only) available May 6 - May 13.

August 13, 2024 -- Minnesota State Primary Election

A primary election determines which candidates will be on the ballot in the November general election. Early voting available June 28 - August 12.

November 5, 2024 -- Minnesota State General Election (Includes Presidential Race and City Offices)

Nonpartisan and partisan local, county, state, federal offices, and any proposed constitutional amendments. Early voting available September 20 - November 4.

Special Election for Hennepin County Commissioner District 6 Office

The Hennepin County District 6 Commissioner position represents the communities of Deephaven, Edina, Excelsior, Greenwood, Hopkins, Long Lake, Minnetonka, Minnetonka Beach, Mound, Northern Eden Prairie, Orono, Shorewood, Spring Park, Tonka Bay, Woodland, and Wayzata.

Due to the resignation of District 6 Commissioner Chris LaTondresse back in September 2023, Hennepin County will be holding both a special election to fill a vacancy on the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners.

The polling place for City of Long Lake voters to cast their ballot in this special election will be Long Lake City Hall, 450 Virginia Avenue.

General Special Election: May 14, 2024

Polls (City Hall) will be open and welcoming voters on Election Day (Tuesday, May 14) from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Please [click here to view a sample ballot](#) for this election.

Absentee voting will take place in person at City Hall using the **envelope system only** - there will be no ballot counter available during the absentee voting period (May 6 - May 13).

Absentee voting hours will be:

Monday through Monday, May 6 - Thursday, May 9 / 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

*** No absentee voting on Friday, May 10 (no staff available).*

Saturday, May 11 / 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Monday, May 13 / 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Voter Registration - What You Need to Know

Minnesota State law requires voters either pre-register to vote at least 21 days before an election day or register at the polls on election day. [Click here to register online via the Minnesota Secretary of State's website](#). *If you're a new voter who's never registered to vote before, if you've had a name change, changed your residence address (even just a change in apartment numbers in the same building), or not voted in elections in the last four years, you'll need to register to vote.*

Not sure if you're registered to vote in Minnesota? [Click here to look up your registration status](#)

Eligibility to Register to Vote

You're eligible to register and vote in Hennepin County if you are at least 18 years old on election day, a US citizen, and have been a resident of Minnesota for at least 20 days before the election.

You're NOT eligible to vote if you've been convicted of treason or any felony without having your civil rights restored; found by a court to be legally incompetent; and/or are under a guardianship in which the court order revokes the ward's right to vote.

ELECTION DAY REGISTRATION - YOU CAN REGISTER OR RE-REGISTER ON ELECTION DAY IF NEEDED, WITH PROOF OF ID

Missed the pre-registration deadline and need to register to vote on election day? Whether registering as a new voter, or because you've had a name or address change since you last voted, Election Judges can assist you in registering on election day as long as you remember to bring your proof of ID. A current Minnesota Driver's License showing your Long Lake address is the easiest proof of ID to use. If you haven't updated your Driver's License yet though, you can use either your Driver's License or a US Passport as a photo ID along with an acceptable document with a date or due date within 30 days of election day - the acceptable document **MUST** have your name and current Long Lake address on it. Acceptable documents are a mortgage or rent statement; credit card or bank statement; or a phone, TV, internet, gas, electric, garbage or water/sewer bill. Acceptable documents can be shown to the Election Judge on an electronic device.

Early / Absentee Voting Information

Vote Early by Mail

To vote by mail, [apply online to have an absentee / early voting ballot mailed to you](#). You don't need to be registered to vote to apply - if you're not registered or if your registration needs updating, Hennepin County will send you the materials you need to register through your absentee / early voting process.

You can also complete a [paper absentee / early voting application](#) and mail it to Hennepin County Elections Government Center, 300 South 6th Street MC 680, Minneapolis, MN 55487.

Vote Early at the Hennepin County Government Center

You can [vote in person at Hennepin County Government Center](#), 300 South 6th Street MC 012, Minneapolis, MN 55487-0012. If you're not registered, you can do so in person if you

Eligible voters may vote absentee in-person at the Hennepin County Government Center , 300 South 6th Street MC 012 (Skyway Level), Minneapolis. In-person absentee voting starts 46 days before Election Day. Dates and times vary by location.

Serving in the Military or Living Outside the US?

Military voters, their dependents, and other US citizens who are overseas may be eligible to vote absentee under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA). [Click here to apply online and have an absentee ballot sent to you](#) wherever you are in the world!

Track Your Absentee Ballot

Wondering where your absentee / early voting mail ballot is in the process? [Click here to track the status of your ballot](#).

Municipal Election - Running for City Office

The following City of Long Lake offices will be on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot:

- Mayor - Two-year term
- City Council Member (2 Seats Available) - Four-year terms

The filing period for the above seats is Tuesday, July 30 through Tuesday, August 13 (filing open until 5:00 pm on August 13). The deadline to withdraw is 5:00 pm on Thursday, August 15. Individuals wishing to file must make an appointment to do so with the City Clerk by calling 952-473-6961 x1 or by emailing. A fee of \$2.00 (exact change or check requested) is required at time of filing.

A candidate must be eligible to vote, 21 years of age or older, and must have been a resident of Long Lake for at least 30 days prior to the November 5 election date.

Candidate Information

Political Parties

Please [click here to view a list of Minnesota's major and minor political parties](#), and to view contact information for each party. Visiting political party websites will offer a resource for learning more about candidates and party platforms.

Interested in Learning More About Long Lake Mayor and City Council Member Candidates Before Election Day?

Each election year, the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission (LMCC) invites candidates running for offices in the LMCC's member cities the opportunity to come to their studio and tape a "Candidate Statement". The segments recorded typically air on television channel 21 beginning mid-October through General Election Day in November. Additionally candidate statements will be available for viewing on the LMCC's website at www.lmcc-tv.org beginning in mid-October.

Within the two to three weeks prior to election day, it is anticipated that as in past election years, local newspapers such as 'The Laker Pioneer' will also be publishing editions featuring city candidate information.

Other Sources for Candidate Information

Voters can find information about candidates in local newspapers, on the Secretary of State's website, and the Minnesota League of Women Voters website at www.lwvmn.org. The LWV also sponsors non-partisan candidate forums and debates. For more information, contact the League

of Women Voters at 651-224-5445 or check their website.

Campaign Financial Reporting

Campaign Financial Reporting Requirements

Initial Report

Once a candidate has spent or raised more than \$750 on their campaign, they are required to [file an Initial report](#) (if this does not occur, scroll down to Certification of Filing below) with the City Clerk's office. If an Initial report is filed by a candidate, the following subsequent reports become required:

- Pre-Primary Report - The Pre-Primary report is due 10 days before the Primary Election and covers the period from where the previous report (initial report) left off up to five days before when it is due.
- Pre-General Report - The Pre-General report is due 10 days before the General Election or Special Election and covers the period from where the Pre-Primary report left off up to five days before when it is due.
- Post-General Report - The Post-General report is due 30 days after a General or Special Election and covers the period from where the Pre-General report left off up to five days before when it is due.
- Year-End Report - A Year-End report is due on January 31 of each year following the year when the Initial report is filed.

Final Report

A candidate may file a Final report once all debts are paid and all assets in excess of \$100 in the aggregate are disposed of. Filing a Final report ends campaign reporting activity, but a new Initial report must be filed if the candidate raises or spends more than \$750 after this point. Once a Final report has been filed, no further subsequent reports are required to be filed.

Certification of Filing

All candidates must complete this form.

The [Certification of Filing](#) is due seven days after the General or Special Election. A Certification of Filing must be filed regardless if a candidate raises or spends enough to file an Initial report, as it indicates to the filing officer (City Clerk) that either all the required campaign reports have been filed or the candidate did not raise or spend more than \$750 in the calendar year.

The [Campaign Financial Report - Certification of Filing](#) form is available for download from the Minnesota Secretary of State's Campaign Filing Packet page.

More Information

The [Campaign Financial Report](#) form and current edition of the [Campaign Manual](#) are available for download from the Minnesota Secretary of State's Campaign Filing Packet. The Campaign Manual contains additional information regarding campaign reporting and campaign practices.

Campaign Financial Reports

Campaign Finance Reports must stay online for four years, according to Minnesota Statute 10A.

Campaign Finance Reports / Certifications of Filing from recent elections are available below.

2022 MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL REPORTS

Candidate for Mayor

Charlie Miner - [Financial Report](#)

Candidates for City Council

Jahn Dyvik - [Financial Report](#)

Deirdre Kvale - [Financial Report](#)

2020 MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL REPORTS

Candidate for Mayor

Charlie Miner - [Financial Report](#)

Candidates for City Council

Mike Feldmann - [Financial Report](#)

Gina Joyce - [Financial Report](#)

Anita Secord - [Financial Report](#)

Tony David - [Financial Report](#)