

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2509

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, PROVIDING NOTICE AND CALLING FOR THE 2026 ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the Goodyear City Charter provides that elections for the office of Mayor and Council shall be held on dates as specified by state law in the fall of even-numbered years;

WHEREAS, the term of the Mayor and the terms of three (3) Councilmembers will expire on December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goodyear hereby provides notice of the 2026 municipal election for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three (3) Councilmembers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. CALL FOR ELECTIONS; DESIGNATION OF ELECTION DATES; AND PURPOSE

The City of Goodyear calls the Primary Election and if required, the General Election, to be held on the date prescribed by law and authorizes the City Clerk to take all necessary actions to comply with any election changes enacted by the Arizona State Legislature.

That August 4, 2026, unless otherwise amended by the Arizona State Legislature, has been set as the date for holding the Primary Election in the City for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three Councilmembers. If a run-off election is required, November 3, 2026, has been set as the date for holding a General Election. Due to proposed emergency legislation to avoid missing federal deadlines to send ballots to military and overseas voters, the Primary Election date may be moved up by one week from August 4, 2026 to July 28, 2026. The City Clerk is authorized to take all necessary actions to comply with any election changes enacted by the Arizona State Legislature.

Any candidate receiving a majority of votes cast pursuant to City Charter Article IX Section 6 and Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 9-821.01(G) for that office at the Primary Election will be declared elected to the office for which he or she is a candidate. If a run-off is required, a candidate shall be declared elected to the office for which he or she is a candidate as set forth in City Charter Article IX Section 7 and 8 and A.R.S. § 9-821.01(H).

SECTION 2. DESIGNATING DATE AND PLACE TO FILE CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORMS

Candidates seeking municipal office may obtain a Candidate Packet at the City Clerk's Office, located at Goodyear City Hall, 1900 N Civic Square, Goodyear, Arizona, 85396, which includes nomination papers and other materials that must be filed by candidates. For the August 4, 2026 election date, candidates shall submit or return nomination papers and other nomination forms no earlier than Monday, March 9, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. and must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2026, at the City Clerk's Office, to submit their names for the Primary Election ballot. If the Primary election date is changed, the filing period will be adjusted accordingly to comply with state law.

SECTION 3. DESIGNATING VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Goodyear residents must be registered to vote 29 days prior to an election to be eligible to vote. In order to be qualified to vote in the Primary Election, residents must be registered by 11:59 p.m. on July 6, 2026. In order to be qualified to vote in the General Election, residents must be registered to vote by 11:59 p.m. on October 5, 2026. If the Primary Election date is changed, the voter registration deadline will be adjusted accordingly to comply with state law.

SECTION 4. CONDUCT OF ELECTION

The Primary and General Elections will be held, conducted, and canvassed in the manner provided by law, and only persons who are qualified electors of the City will vote at the City's elections. Ballots shall be counted by the voting system in use by the Maricopa County Elections Department for the recordation of the electors' choices as authorized by Arizona law.

SECTION 5. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO ALL AGREEMENTS TO EFFECTUATE ELECTION SERVICES

Authorizing the City Manager, or their designee, to enter into all agreements with the Maricopa County Elections Department to effectuate election services to be consolidated with the ballot for the statewide election.

SECTION 6. VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND MINORITY LANGUAGE TRANSLATION

To comply with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, the proceedings pertaining to this election will be translated into Spanish required by law and posted, published, distributed, and/or recorded in each instance where posting, publication, distribution, and/or recording of such proceedings are required, such as this call of election, the notice of election, ballots, the request for arguments, the informational pamphlet, all early voting materials and all instructions relating thereto, including instructions at the polling places.

SECTION 7. PUBLICATION OF CALL OF ELECTION

The City Clerk shall publish a Call of Election, attached hereto as Exhibit A, at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation not less than one week apart during the six calendar weeks preceding 150 days before the election in accordance with A.R.S. §16-227.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Goodyear, Maricopa County, Arizona, by a _____ vote, this 2nd day of February, 2026.

Joe Pizzillo, Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jasmine Pernicano, City Clerk

Roric Massey, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

**CITY OF GOODYEAR, ARIZONA
CALL OF ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Goodyear, Arizona, will hold a Primary Election on **Tuesday, August 4, 2026**, for the purpose of electing candidates for City Council. The following offices will appear on the ballot:

One (1) Mayor – Full Term of Four (4) Years
Three (3) Councilmembers – Full Term of Four (4) Years

In accordance with Article IX Section 6 of the City Charter, any candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast at the Primary Election shall be declared elected, and no General Election will be held for that office. If necessary, a General Election will be held on **Tuesday, November 3, 2026**.

Candidates seeking municipal office may obtain nomination papers and other materials which must be filed by candidates at the City Clerk's Office, located at Goodyear City Hall, 1900 N Civic Square, Goodyear, Arizona, 85396. Candidates must file nomination papers and other required nomination forms no earlier than March 9, 2026, and no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 6, 2026, during regular business hours, at the Goodyear City Clerk's Office, 1900 N Civic Square, Goodyear, Arizona, 85395, in order for their names to appear on the ballot.

Voter registration deadline for the Primary Election is 11:59 p.m. on July 6, 2026. Voter registration deadline for the General Election is 11:59 p.m. on October 5, 2026.

Early voting with respect to the Primary and General Elections will be permitted in accordance with the provisions of A.R.S. Title 16, chapter 4, article 8.

The election format for both the 2026 Primary and General Election days shall be a polling place election. The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. The Primary and General Elections may be consolidated with any other election conducted in the City on those election dates.

Jasmine Pernicano, City Clerk

Date