2017 Minnesota Campaign Finance Elections Calendar

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This calendar lists important election dates related to the 2017 Election Cycle. Date entries include citations to Minnesota Statutes or Minnesota Rules. Minnesota Statutes and Rules are available at http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us. In all matters, Minnesota Election Law is the final authority, **not this calendar.** Changes to Minnesota Election Law enacted by the Minnesota State Legislature in 2017 may alter dates or other information on this calendar. For the most current version of this document please check the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.state.mn.us.

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***Metro Towns (200.02, subd. 24)**: Towns located in Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright Counties.

****Metropolitan area (473.121, subd. 2)**: The area over which the Metropolitan Council has jurisdiction, including only the counties of Anoka; Carver; Dakota excluding the city of Northfield; Hennepin excluding the cities of Hanover and Rockford; Ramsey; Scott excluding the city of New Prague; and Washington.

Dates on the 2017 Minnesota Combined Election Calendar are calculated in the following manner, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 645: When counting the number of days before an election or other event, the day before the event is the first day counted. When counting the number of days after an election or other event, the day after the event is the first day counted. When the last day falls on a weekend or legal holiday, that day is usually omitted from the computation.

Note: When Minnesota Election Law requires that action be taken on or before a date that falls on a weekend, this calendar usually uses the previous Friday date to ensure timely action.

Relevant law on the calculation of dates:

645.13 Time; publication for successive weeks.
When the term "successive weeks" is used in any law providing for the publishing of notices, the word "weeks" shall be construed as calendar weeks. The publication upon any day of such weeks shall be sufficient publication for that week, but at least five days shall elapse between each publication. At least the number of weeks specified in "successive weeks" shall elapse between the first publication and the day for the happening of the event for which the publication is made.

645.15 Computation of time.
Where the performance or doing of any act, duty, matter, payment, or thing is ordered or directed, and the period of time or duration for the performance or doing thereof is prescribed and fixed by law, the time, except as otherwise provided in sections 645.13 and 645.14, shall be computed so as to exclude the first and include the last day of the prescribed or fixed period or duration of time. When the last day of the period falls on Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday, that day shall be omitted from the computation.

645.151 Timely delivery or filing.
When an application, payment, return, claim, statement or other document is to be delivered to or filed with a department, agency or instrumentality of this state or of a political subdivision on or before a prescribed date and the prescribed date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, it is timely delivered or filed if it is delivered or filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

331A.08 Computation of time.
Subd. 1. Time for publication. The time for publication of public notices shall be computed to exclude the first day of publication and include the day on which the act or event, of which notice is given, is to happen or which completes the full period required for publication.
Subd. 2. Time for act or proceeding. The time within which an act is to be done or proceeding had or taken, as prescribed by the rules of procedure, shall be computed by excluding the first day and including the last. If the last day is Sunday or a legal holiday the party shall have the next secular day in which to do the act or take the proceeding.

Begin Date	End Date	**Bolded type indicates subdivision affected:**	Statute §	Affected	Reference
Monday, December 26, 2016	Monday, December 26, 2016	**Christmas Day Holiday.** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd.5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Monday, January 02, 2017	Monday, January 02, 2017	**New Year's Day Holiday.** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd.5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday

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Monday, January 02, 2017	Monday, January 02, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Terms begin for state, county, city, town, school district and hospital district officers elected at the November 2016 General Election - first Monday in January. *Minn. Stat. 123B.09, subd. 1; 204D.02, subd. 2; 367.03, subd. 4; 412.02, subd. 2; 447.31, subd. 1*	123B.09, subd. 1; 204D.02, subd. 2; 367.03, subd. 4; 412.02, subd. 2; 447.31, subd. 1	Campaign Finance	After the Election
Tuesday, January 03, 2017	Tuesday, January 03, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Legislative Session Begins		Campaign Finance	Legislature
Monday, January 16, 2017	Monday, January 16, 2017	**Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday -** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Tuesday, January 31, 2017	Tuesday, January 31, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Annual Campaign Finance Reports due if a final report has not been submitted —January 31 of each year. *Minn. Stat. 211A.02, subd. 1*	211A.02, subd. 1	Campaign Finance	Filing
Monday, February 20, 2017	Monday, February 20, 2017	**Presidents' Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday

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Tuesday, May 16, 2017	Tuesday, May 30, 2017	**Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board:** Candidate filing period for cities with a primary & school districts with a primary (known as the early filing period). Reminder: municipal clerk's office must be open from 1-5 p.m. on the last day of filing - opens 84 days before election and closes 70 days before election. *Minn. Stat. 205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a*	205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a	Campaign Finance	Filing
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	Tuesday, May 30, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** City clerk (odd-year primary possible) must notify the CFPDB of the name and date filed of an individual required to file a statement of economic interest - Upon receiving an affidavit of candidacy or petition to appear on the ballot (city office of 7-county metro area w/pop. over 50,000). *Minn. Stat. 10A.01, subds. 22 & 24; 10A.09, subd. 2; 473.121, subd. 2*	10A.01, subds. 22 & 24; 10A.09, subd. 2; 473.121, subd. 2	Campaign Finance	Filing
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	Tuesday, June 13, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** An individual must file a statement of economic interest with the board (CFPDB) after filing an affidavit of candidacy or petition to appear on the ballot for a 7-county metro area w/pop. over 50,000 city office - within 14 days of filing. *Minn. Stat. 10A.01, subds. 22 & 24; 10A.09, subd. 1(3); 473.121, subd. 2*	10A.01, subds. 22 & 24; 10A.09, subd. 1(3); 473.121, subd. 2	Campaign Finance	Filing

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Tuesday, May 16, 2017	Thursday, December 07, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Filing officers who rcv financial reports must post them on their public websites (if one is maintained) within 30 days of receipt of report. Provide link to webpage to CFPDB. Does not apply to cities or towns with fewer than 400 reg voters as of Jan 1 of the year of the election. They are kept on website for 4 years. *Minn. Stat. 211A.02, subd. 6*	211A.02, subd. 6	Campaign Finance	Filing
Monday, May 22, 2017	Monday, May 22, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Last day for 2017 Legislature to meet in regular session - first Monday following the 3rd Saturday in May of any year. *Minnesota Constitution, Article IV, Section 12*	Minn. Const. Article IV, Section 12	Campaign Finance	Legislature
Monday, May 29, 2017	Monday, May 29, 2017	**Memorial Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Tuesday, May 30, 2017	Tuesday, May 30, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Candidate filing period ends for cities with a primary & school districts with a primary (known as the early filing period). Muni clerk office must be open from 1-5 p.m. on the last day of filing. At all locations for candidate filings, a notary or a person authorized to take oaths **must** be present - closes 70 days before election. *Minn. Stat. 205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a*	205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a	Campaign Finance	Filing

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Thursday, June 01, 2017	Thursday, June 01, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Last day for odd-year city and school district candidates to withdraw by 5:00 p.m. by filing an Affidavit of Withdrawal - within 2 days after filing closes. *Minn. Stat. 204B.12, subd. 1, 205.13, subd. 6; 205A.06, subd. 5*	204B.12, subd. 1	Campaign Finance	Filing
Friday, June 30, 2017	Friday, June 30, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** OSS shall notify each political party, the commissioner of revenue, and the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board which political parties qualify for inclusion on the income tax form and property tax return - by July 1st of the taxable year. *Minn. Stat. 10A.31, subd. 3a(d)*	10A.31, subd. 3a(d)	Campaign Finance	Political Parties
Tuesday, July 04, 2017	Tuesday, July 04, 2017	**Independence Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Friday, July 28, 2017	Friday, July 28, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** If initial report has been filed, campaign finance reports due - 10 days before primary. *Minn. Stat. 211A.02*	211A.02	Campaign Finance	Filing
Tuesday, August 01, 2017	Tuesday, August 15, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Candidate filing period for Cities without a Primary, Towns with November Elections and School Districts without a Primary - opens 98 days before election and closes 84 days before election. The municipal clerk's office MUST be open for filing from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the filing period. *Minn. Stat. 205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a*	205.13, subd. 1a; 205A.06, subd. 1a	Campaign Finance	Filing

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Tuesday, August 01, 2017	Tuesday, August 15, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** City clerk (odd-year late filings) must notify the CFPDB of the name and date filed of an individual required to file a statement of economic interest - Upon receiving an affidavit of candidacy or petition to appear on the ballot (city office of 7-county metro area w/pop. over 50,000). *Minn. Stat. 10A.01, subds. 22 & 24; 10A.09, subd. 2; 473.121, subd. 2*	10A.01, subds. 22 & 24; 10A.09, subd. 2; 473.121, subd. 2	Campaign Finance	Filing
Tuesday, August 01, 2017	Thursday, December 07, 2017	**Campaign Finance:** Filing officers who rcv financial reports must post them on their public websites (if one is maintained) within 30 days of receipt of report. They are kept on website for 4 years. Provides link to webpage to CFPDB. Does not apply to cities or towns with fewer than 400 reg voters as of Jan 1 of the year of the election. *Minn. Stat. 211A.02, subd. 6*	211A.02, subd. 6	Campaign Finance	Filing

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Tuesday, August 08, 2017	Tuesday, August 08, 2017	**LOCAL PRIMARY ELECTION DAY: Campaign Finance.** The second Tuesday in August. Municipal and school district elections not held in conjunction with state elections have minimum voting hours of 5-8 p.m. Each municipality and school district establishes voting hours for their elections not held with state elections by resolution before an election notice is given and those hours remain for that and all succeeding "stand alone" elections until revoked. *Metro (200.02, subd. 24) municipalities and school districts must be open no later than 10 a.m. Revocation procedures and notice of change in voting hour requirements are found in M.S. 205.175 and 205A.09. *Minn. Stat. 205.065, subd. 1; 205.175; 205A.03, subd. 2; 205A.09*	205.065, subd. 1; 205.175; 205A.03, subd. 2; 205A.09	Campaign Finance	Election Day
Monday, September 04, 2017	Monday, September 04, 2017	**Labor Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Monday, October 09, 2017	Monday, October 09, 2017	**Columbus Day Holiday:** Political subdivisions have the option of determining whether Columbus Day shall be a holiday on which no business shall be transacted. Where it is determined that Columbus Day is not a holiday, public business may be conducted. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday

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Tuesday, November 07, 2017	Tuesday, November 07, 2017	**LOCAL GENERAL ELECTION DAY: Campaign Finance.** The first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Municipal and school district elections not held in conjunction with state elections have minimum voting hours of 5-8 p.m. Each municipality and school district establishes voting hours for their elections not held with state elections by resolution before an election notice is given and those hours remain for that and all succeeding "stand alone" elections until revoked. *Metro (200.02, subd. 24) municipalities and school districts must be open no later than 10 a.m. Revocation procedures and notice of change in voting hour requirements are found in M.S. 205.175 and 205A.09. *Minn. Stat. 205.065, subd. 1; 205.175; 205A.03, subd. 2; 205A.09*	205.065, subd. 1; 205.175; 205A.03, subd. 2; 205A.09	Campaign Finance	Election Day
Friday, November 10, 2017	Friday, November 10, 2017	**Veterans Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Thursday, November 23, 2017	Thursday, November 23, 2017	**Thanksgiving Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday

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Friday, November 24, 2017	Friday, November 24, 2017	**Day After Thanksgiving Holiday:** Political subdivisions have the option of determining whether Friday after Thanksgiving day shall be a holiday. Where it is determined that day after Thanksgiving is not a holiday, public business may be conducted. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Monday, December 25, 2017	Monday, December 25, 2017	**Christmas Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Monday, January 01, 2018	Monday, January 01, 2018	**New Year's Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Monday, January 15, 2018	Monday, January 15, 2018	**Martin Luther King Jr. Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday
Wednesday, January 31, 2018	Wednesday, January 31, 2018	**Campaign Finance:** Annual campaign financial reports due - January 31st of each year. *Minn. Stat. 211A.02, subd. 1*	211A.02, subd. 1	Campaign Finance	Filing
Monday, February 19, 2018	Monday, February 19, 2018	**Presidents' Day Holiday:** No public business shall be transacted, except in cases of necessity. *Minn. Stat. 645.44, subd. 5*	645.44, subd. 5	Holiday	Holiday