

CAC Special Election Timeline – 2026

Friday, October 2	Candidate Petition Packet Made Available Online at CAC Website: http://www.clintonvilleareacommission.org/ Copies of Candidate Petition Packet are available for pick up at Front Desk of Whetstone Library, 3909 N. High St. Columbus, OH 43214
Thursday, October 8 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Orientation Meeting for Candidates Whetstone Library, 3909 North High Street, Columbus OH 43214 (Optional, but Strongly Encouraged)
October 2 – November 16	Candidate Signature Collection Period
Monday, November 16 4:00 p.m.	Deadline for Submission of Candidate Petitions and Notarized Nominating Petition Affidavits to the Election Committee Submit to Front Desk at Whetstone Library, 3909 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43214
Friday, November 20	Deadline for Election Committee to Certify Completed Candidate Packets
Sunday, November 22	Deadline for Election Committee to Submit to Clintonville Spotlight information on: Election Districts, Location of Polls, Date and Hours of Election, Descriptions or Maps of the Districts, Names of Petition Candidates for Each District, Identification Requirements at the Polls
Thursday, December 3 7:00 p.m.	Election Committee Presents Certified Candidates to the CAC
Friday, December 4 5:00 p.m.	Potential Write-In Candidates must submit their completed candidate packets by 5:00 p.m. to the Front Desk at Whetstone Library, 3909 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43214
Tuesday, December 8 6:30 p.m.	Election Committee Certifies Write-in Candidate(s) and notifies all candidates Deadline for submission of candidate statements to be posted on the CAC website. Deadline for Election Committee to post to CAC website and Facebook site Information on: Election Districts, Location of Polls, Date and Hours of Election, Descriptions or Maps of the Districts, Names of Petition Candidates for Each District, Identification Requirements at the Polls
Tuesday, December 15 6:00pm – 8pm	Early Voting Day: Whetstone Library, 3909 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43214
Saturday, December 19 10:00am – 2:00pm	Election Day: Whetstone Library, 3909 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43214

Election Committee Holds Counting Session After Polls Close
Committee Announces Uncertified Results of the Election

Wednesday, December 23	Election Complaints Must be Submitted to the Election Committee Chair in Writing No Later Than 9:00 p.m.
December 23 – December 28	Period During Which Election Committee Considers Complaints. Any Appeals by Candidates Must be Submitted in Writing to the CAC Chair within 3 Days of the Decision. Appeals Will be Considered at the Next CAC Meeting. At the End of the Period, the Committee Certifies Results to the CAC Chair, Election Committee Chair Notifies Candidates of Final Results
Thursday, January 7	New Commissioners Announced at CAC Meeting at 7:00 p.m. for Districts with No Outstanding Appeals or Challenges.