



Candidate Information - Upland City Council

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Who should I contact to ask questions about the election, or to file nomination papers?

A. The City Clerk's Office (909) 931-4120. The office is located at 460 N. Euclid Avenue in Upland City Hall. Appointments are required to pull nomination papers. The process takes approximately 45 minutes.

Q. How many City Council seats will be placed on the November 3, 2026 ballot?

A. Three full-term seats, 4 year terms.

Q. What are the nomination period dates?

A. The nomination period begins on July 13, 2026 through August 7, 2026 at 12 noon.

City Hall hours of operation are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. An appointment is required to pull nomination papers or return completed papers. The last appointment of the day will be scheduled for 4:30 p.m. since the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters closes at 5 p.m.

If any eligible incumbent does not file by August 7, 2026 at 12 noon, the nomination period for that office will be extended five (5) days, ending on August 12, 2026.

Q. What are the qualifications to run for City Council?

A. United States Citizen, 18 years of age on election day, and a registered voter living in the City of Upland, or in the respective District for Council Members and reside in the council district from which the member is nominated at least thirty (30) days prior to the time the member is nominated, elected, and throughout that member's term of office. Candidates must provide proof of residency as required by Upland Municipal Code Section 2.02.110.

Q. How many signatures are required on the nomination paper?

A. At least twenty (20) and no more than thirty (30) registered voters within the City of Upland (residing in the candidate's election district).

Q. Do Councilmembers receive a stipend for serving on the Council?

A. Yes. Councilmembers receive a \$1,200. per month stipend, \$500 per month car allowance, and a health benefits cafeteria allowance.

Q. Can I run for the office of Mayor?

A. The office of Mayor is not up for election until 2028.

Q. What days does the Council meet for regular and special meetings?

A. 2nd and 4th Monday of every month for regular meetings:

- Closed Session may begin as early as 4:00 p.m.
- Open session begins at 6:00 p.m.
- Special meetings may be called by the Mayor or a majority of the Council on an as needed basis

There are no second meeting in the months of August and December.

Q. Is there training for new Councilmembers?

A. A Councilmembers' Handbook is provided along with a copy of the Rules and Procedures of the City Council. These documents will familiarize newly elected officials with rules of procedure for conduct of City Council business, agendas, decorum in Council meetings, duties of the presiding officer, etc. Councilmembers are required to complete a two hour ethics training, anti-sexual harassment training, and fiscal and financial training within six months of taking office. Additionally, the League of California Cities offers a New Mayors and Councilmembers Academy which new Councilmembers may choose to attend.

Q. What is a Statement of Economic Interests and am I required to file this as a candidate?

A. Every elected official and public employee who makes or influences governmental decisions is required to submit a Statement of Economic Interest, also known as the Form 700. The Form 700 provides transparency and ensures accountability in two ways. First, it provides necessary information to the public about an official's personal financial interests to ensure that officials are making decisions in the best interest of the public and not enhancing their personal finances. Secondly, it serves as a reminder to the public official of potential conflicts of interest so the official can abstain from making or participating in governmental decisions that are deemed conflicts of interest. As a candidate you are required to file a Statement of Economic Interests, if elected you will be required to continue to file annually.

Q. When do I file a form 501 (Candidate Intention Statement)?

A. Prior to raising or spending any money. If you have not filed your Form 501 prior to pulling nomination papers then you will file it at the time you submit the nomination papers.

Q. When do I file a Form 410 (Statement of Organization Recipient Committee)?

A. Within 10 days of raising or spending \$2,000. The original must be filed with the Secretary of State and a copy provided to the City Clerk.

Q. What is a Form 460 (Consolidated Campaign Disclosure Form)?

A. Any candidate who has raised \$2,000, after filing the required Form 410, must complete a Form 460 with the City Clerk detailing all campaign donations and expenditures. You can get more information on these required filings on the Fair Political Practices Commission website at <https://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/campaign-rules.html> The City of Upland requires Form 460s to be filed electronically (UMC 2.14.010)