



City of Keene 2026 General Election Calendar

This calendar is subject to correction and legislative change.

AS OF JUNE 16, 2025: Please note that this calendar presumes that SB 2753 (2025) will NOT be implemented for the November election. SB 2753 eliminates the gap between early voting by personal appearance and election day voting, among other things. Please reference the online Election Calendar on the City of Keene website should any of these dates be impacted by legislative changes or corrections. <https://www.keenetx.com/213/Election-Information>

July 18, 2026: FIRST DAY to file an application for a place on the ballot.
FIRST DAY to file a declaration of write-in candidacy.
No applications or declarations will be accepted before this date.

August 17, 2026: LAST DAY to file an application for a place on the ballot and to file an appointment of a Campaign Treasurer. At this time, the appointment of a Campaign Treasurer and your complete and accurate application for a place on the ballot must be turned in. *No applications will be accepted after 5:00 p.m.*

August 21, 2026: LAST DAY for a write-in candidate to declare candidacy in the General Election. *No declarations will be accepted after 5:00 p.m.*

August 24, 2026: LAST DAY for a candidate to withdraw their name from the ballot by filing a Certificate of Withdrawal.

TENTATIVE
August 27, 2026: Drawing for order of names on the ballot. Candidates or their designated representative should be present.

September 7, 2026 Labor Day Holiday – City offices closed.

October 05, 2026: **Deadline** to file the 1st **Report of Contributions and Expenditures** (also called the “30-day Report”) with the City Secretary, for candidates who have an opponent on the ballot in the November 3 election, and who are not filing under the modified reporting schedule. Use Form C/OH. In accordance with State law, the City Secretary’s office will remain open until 5:00 p.m. *See instructions on how to file.*

October 19, 2026: FIRST DAY of Early Voting by personal appearance.

October 26, 2026: **Deadline** to file the 2nd **Report of Contributions and Expenditures** (also called the “8-day Report”) with the City Secretary, for candidates who have an opponent on the ballot in the November 3 election, and who are not filing under the modified reporting schedule. Use Form C/OH. In accordance with State law, the City Secretary’s office will remain open until 5:00 p.m. *See instructions on how to file.*

October 30, 2026: LAST DAY of Early Voting by personal appearance.



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November 3, 2026: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	ELECTION DAY LAST DAY to receive ballots by mail.
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November 6-17, 2026	Period in which to canvass results, after all criteria have been met. If a runoff for an election is required, Council must order the runoff election no later than five days after the canvass.
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November 26-27, 2026	<i>Thanksgiving holiday – Keene City Hall offices are closed.</i>
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November 30, 2026 – December 8, 2026	Early voting for runoff elections.
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December 4, 2026: 5:00 p.m.	Deadline to file the Report of Contributions and Expenditures (also called the “Runoff Report”) with the City Secretary, for candidates who are on the ballot for a runoff election.
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December 12, 2026	RUNOFF ELECTION DAY
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December 24, 2026	LAST DAY to canvass runoff election.
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January 15, 2027:	LAST DAY for timely filing of the semiannual report of campaign contributions and expenditures (Form C/OH - all Candidates file with the City Secretary). Candidates may file a Designation of Final Report (Form C/OH – FR) to terminate their Campaign Treasurers who were involved in this election.
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