OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE

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JANUARY 23, 2024, BRIDGEPORT SPECIAL DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY and FEBRUARY 27, 2024, BRIDGEPORT SPECIAL ELECTION CALENDAR

A Special Democratic Primary for Mayor of Bridgeport has been ordered by the Court. The following Election Calendar applies pursuant to the Court order:

DECEMBER 21, 2023
(Thursday)
ELECTION OFFICIALS

<u>SAMPLE ABSENTEE BALLOT AVAILABLE</u>. A sample absentee ballot shall be available for public inspection at municipal clerk's office prior to printing and no later than this day.

<u>DEADLINE TO ORDER NEWLY PRINTED BALLOTS</u>. Municipal election officials shall order newly printed ballots with the names "Joseph Ganim" and "John Gomes" appearing in the same manner as they appeared on the ballot for the September 12, 2023, primary as soon as practicable but no later than this date.

DECEMBER 29, 2023 (Friday) ELECTION OFFICIALS

NOTICE OF SPECIAL DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY. Deadline for municipal election officials to publish notice of Special Democratic Primary and post notice to Bridgeport's official website.

<u>FILING OF PRINTED SAMPLE BALLOT</u>. Deadline for filing of printed sample ballot for Special Democratic Primary with the Secretary of State.

ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS FOR SPECIAL DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY. Municipal election officials must make absentee ballot applications for the Special Democratic Primary available to the public beginning at 9:00 a.m. Clerk may begin processing absentee ballot applications.

<u>CLERK'S AFFADAVIT REGARDING NUMBER OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS</u>. Deadline for clerk to file affidavit of the number of absentee ballots printed for the Special Democratic Primary.

JANUARY 2, 2024 (Tuesday) <u>ELECTION OFFICIALS</u>

<u>ABSENTEE BALLOTS AVAILABLE</u>. Municipal election officials to make absentee ballots available to the public on this day.

JANUARY 3, 2024 (Wednesday) <u>REGISTRARS</u> <u>REGISTRARS TO DESIGNATE PRIMARY OFFICIALS</u>. Deadline for Registrar of Voters to designate primary officials.

JANUARY 7, 2024 (Sunday) <u>REGISTRARS</u> <u>REGISTRAR TO APPOINT SUPERVISORS</u>. Deadline for Democratic Registrar of Votes to appoint supervisor for supervised absentee voting.

JANUARY 10, 2024 (Wednesday) ELECTION OFFICALS <u>DESIGNATION OF SUPERVISED ABSENTEE BALLOTING.</u> Deadline for Registrars to make written designation to conduct supervised absentee balloting in institution with less than 20 electors.

MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTING. Municipal election officials shall begin issuing military and overseas ballots for the general election to be held on February 27, 2024. The overseas ballot candidate listing shall state in the block designated for the Democratic Party Nominee the flowing language: "Nominee Not Determined*". In an appropriate location at the bottom of the candidate listing the overseas ballot shall state: "*The Democratic Party Candidate for Mayor of Bridgeport has not yet been determined and will be determined at a Special Democratic Primary on January 23, 2024. If you wish to vote for a Democratic Party Candidate for this office, please write "Democratic" in the appropriate space on the ballot."

JANUARY 14, 2024 (Sunday) REGISTRARS <u>TABULATOR MEMORY CARD PROGRAMMING</u>. Deadline for Registrars to program all voting tabulator memory cards to be used at Special Democratic Primary.

JANUARY 17, 2024 (Wednesday) REGISTRARS <u>TABULATOR TESTING.</u> Registrars of Voters must conduct tabulator testing for any tabulator to be used at the Special Democratic Primary no later than 12 p.m. on this day.

<u>SUPERVISED ABSENTEE BALLOTING.</u> Deadline for Registrars of Voters to conduct supervised absentee balloting.

JANUARY 19, 2024 (Friday) ELECTION OFFICIALS <u>ABSENTEE BALLOT CHECK OFF</u>. Registrars of Voters, in conjunction with the Town Clerk, perform the absentee ballot checkoff on polling place checker logs in accordance with C.G.S. Sec. 9-140(c).

<u>UNOFFICIAL CHECKERS</u>. Candidates to file list of unofficial checkers with Registrar of Voters no later than 6:00 a.m. on this day.

<u>REGISTRY LIST</u>. Duly enrolled Democratic electors who are registered on or before 12 p.m. shall be permitted to vote in the Special Democratic Primary. Registrars shall print a supplemental registry list for use in the Special Democratic Primary after 12 p.m. this day.

JANUARY 23, 2024 (Tuesday) SPECIAL DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY <u>SPECIAL DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY</u>. Polls open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the canvass of the vote to be conducted immediately after polls close in the manner required by the General Statutes.

JANUARY 24, 2024 (Wednesday) ELECTION OFFICALS <u>CERTIFICATION OF SPECIAL DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY RESULTS</u>. Municipal election officials shall certify the result of the Special Democratic Primary on or before 5 p.m. on this day. Officials shall provide this certification to the Secretary of the State via electronic mail or facsimile within one hour after certification by municipal officials.

<u>DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATES TO REQUEST COPIES.</u> Candidates may request copies of absentee ballot applications, absentee ballot application logs, outer envelopes, and inner envelopes before 5 p.m. on this day.

JANUARY 26, 2024 (Friday) ELECTION OFFICIALS <u>DEADLINE FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS TO PROVIDE COPIES</u>. Election officials must provide copies of absentee ballot applications, absentee ballot application logs, outer envelopes and inner envelopes by this day if requested by candidates before 5 p.m. on January 24, 2024.

FEBRUARY 1, 2024 (Thursday) CANDIDATES ELECTION OFFICIALS <u>DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATES TO WITHDRAW</u>. Deadline for candidates for the special general election to file a written withdrawal of candidacy with the town clerk.

FEBRUARY 16, 2024 (Friday)

CLERKS

<u>ABSENTEE BALLOTS</u>. Municipal election officials shall begin issuing absentee ballots for the general election to be held February 27, 2024.

FEBRUARY 20, 2024 (Tuesday)

SAMPLE BALLOT. Clerk to file printed sample ballot for general election with the Secretary of the State on or before this date listing the name of the winner of the Special Democratic Primary for the Mayor of Bridgeport and the name of any other candidates with a right to appear on the ballot.

<u>VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE</u>. Those whose rights as to age, citizenship or residence mature after this date may apply in their Town Clerk or Registrars of Voters office on a daily basis until the limited session on February 26, 2024.

<u>REGISTRATION BY MAIL DEADLINE</u>. Hand-delivered mail-in registration applications must be <u>received</u> by this date by Registrars in applicant's town of residence (or by Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) or a voter registration agency), and <u>mailed</u> mail-in registration applications must be <u>postmarked</u> by this date, for the applicant to be entitled to vote in the election. Electoral privileges of applicants meeting this deadline attach immediately upon approval by the Registrar. (§9-23q(d)(2)).

FEBRUARY 26, 2024 (Monday)

IN PERSON VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE. In person voter registration cut-off. Last regular voter registration session for this special election. Applicants must appear in person. (9-172b(b)

FEBRUARY 27, 2024 (Tuesday)

ELECTION DAY. Hours of voting 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. (§9-174)

GENERÁL ELECTION

Absentee ballots may not be issued on election day, except to electors who suddenly become ill within six days immediately preceding close of the polls at the election or who are patients in a hospital within such six-day period, may be issued an absentee ballot up to the close of the polls. (§§9-140(h) and 9-150c)

In order to be cast at an election, the absentee ballot must be received by Municipal Clerk before the close of the polls. (§9-140b(a))