



## United City of Yorkville

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### 2021 ELECTION INFORMATION

#### **Legal Disclaimer**

**\*Please note: *Legal information contained in this memo is not binding.***

This information is provided to assist the candidate in obtaining information and is not intended to be a substitute for the candidate's responsibility to independently seek and obtain all information necessary for candidacy. The United City of Yorkville City Clerk's Office recommends that all prospective candidates consult with competent legal counsel when preparing their nomination papers. Candidates for City offices are directed to the State Board of Elections Official website for candidate information [www.elections.il.gov](http://www.elections.il.gov)

#### **Form of Petition**

The section of the home page titled "Running for Office" will lead to a link for the 2021 Candidate's Guide which contains information and links to **sample** forms for candidacy.

It is the opinion of the City Attorney that a proper form and petition for independent candidates is the "Independent Candidate Petition – SBE No. P-3, Revised March 2020", however, quoting from the preface in the 2021 Candidates Guide: "**Legal information contained in this guide is not binding and should not be construed as legal advice or sufficient argument in response to an objection to any candidate's nominating papers.**" The State Board of Elections recommends that all prospective candidates consult with competent legal counsel when preparing their nomination papers."

#### **Filing of Nominating Petitions**

Nominating petitions should be completed, signed, and notarized, as required, prior to filing with the Office of the City Clerk. Please be aware that city notary services are only available Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Persons requiring notary services from the city on the first day of filing will **not** be considered to have filed at 8:00 a.m. for the purpose of a lottery to consider first placement on the ballot because the petition of nomination is not complete until notarized.

#### **Signature Counts**

Per the State of Illinois Candidates Guide 2021, issued by the State Board of Elections, regarding Number of Signatures required for Independent Candidates:

*"For the Consolidated Election, not less than 5% nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is greater) of the number of persons who voted at the last regular election in the district or political subdivision in which such district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to serve its respective territorial area. [10 ILCS 5/10-3]"*

Official results from previous elections may be obtained from the Kendall County Clerk or can be found online at: <https://www.co.kendall.il.us/offices/county-clerk-recorder/election-voter-information/archived-election-reports>

To calculate the required number of signatures for Aldermen - the direct link to the April 2, 2019 election results is: <https://www.co.kendall.il.us/Home/ShowDocument?id=375>

**Alderman – Ward 1** (Term Length – Four Years)

535 – Total Ballots Cast for Ward 1 Alderman at April 2, 2019 Consolidated Election

For the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election – signatures required for  
Alderman – Ward 1 are: No less than 27 and no more than 77.

**Alderman – Ward 2** (Term Length – Four Years)

667 – Total Ballots Cast for Ward 2 Alderman at April 2, 2019 Consolidated Election

For the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election – signatures required for  
Alderman – Ward 2 are: No less than 34 and no more than 84.

**Alderman – Ward 3** (Term Length – Four Years)

531 – Total Ballots Cast for Ward 3 Alderman at April 2, 2019 Consolidated Election

For the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election – signatures required for  
Alderman – Ward 3 are: No less than 27 and no more than 77.

**Alderman – Ward 4** (Term Length – Four Years)

547 – Total Ballots Cast for Ward 4 Alderman at April 2, 2019 Consolidated Election

For the April 6, 2021 Consolidated Election – signatures required for  
Alderman – Ward 4 are: No less than 28 and no more than 78.

**Petition Objections to Petitions filed with the United City of Yorkville**

The filing period for the April 6, 2021 consolidated election ends at 5:00 p.m. on December 21, 2020. Nominating petitions shall be deemed to be valid unless objections are filed in writing (an original and two copies) within five business days after the last day for filing nominating petitions. The United City of Yorkville is open for business on December 22, 23, 28, 29, and 30, 2020. Business hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The last day for filing objections with the United City of Yorkville is Wednesday, December 30, 2020 by 4:30 p.m.

**Lisa Pickering  
City Clerk**