

City of Madison

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Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The cost of hiring one Chief Inspector to administer absentee voting at each site outside of the City Clerk's Office will be up to \$26,000 which is budgeted in the adopted 2017 operating budget. Data from the November 2016 election indicates that establishing absentee voting locations throughout the City of Madison also reduces the costs associated with mailing absentee ballots. No additional appropriation required.

Title

Establishing absentee voting locations for the April 2017 Spring Election.

Body

WHEREAS, voting is both a right and the vital core of a healthy democracy; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Madison City Clerk's Office is that each eligible voter will be able to cast a ballot and have that ballot counted; and

WHEREAS, the availability of absentee voting at multiple locations for the Spring Primary set a new in-person absentee voting record and increased overall voter turnout; and

WHEREAS, absentee ballots cast in-person are less likely that ballots sent through the mail to be rejected at the polls due to missing signatures or witness addresses; and

WHEREAS, it is inequitable to limit in-person absentee voting to Madison residents who are able to obtain transportation downtown; and

WHEREAS, offering extended in-person absentee voting hours at multiple sites throughout the City may further racial equity for residents who have not historically been involved in the voting process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Madison chooses to make in-person absentee voting more accessible and equitable by establishing the following in-person absentee voting locations for the April 2017 Spring Election:

City Clerk's Office

210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd. #103 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, March 14 - April 2 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 1 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 2

Streets East

4602 Sycamore Avenue 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, March 14-31

Central Library

201 W. Mifflin Street
March 14 - April 2
9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday
9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Fridays
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

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1 to 4:30 p.m. Sundays

Alicia Ashman Library

733 N. High Point Road

March 14 - April 1

9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

Goodman South Madison Library

2222 S. Park Street March 14 - April 1 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

Hawthorne Library

2707 E. Washington Avenue March 14 - April 1 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

Lakeview Library

2845 N. Sherman Avenue March 14 - April 1 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

Meadowridge Library

5726 Raymond Road March 14 - April 1 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

Monroe Street Library

1705 Monroe Street March 14 - April 1 1 to 8:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays Noon to 5:30 p.m. Thursdays 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

Pinney Library

204 Cottage Grove Road March 14 - April 2 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays 1 to 4:30 p.m. Sundays

Sequoya Library

4340 Tokay Blvd. March 14 - April 2 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays

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1 to 4:30 p.m. Sundays

Edgewood College - Wingra Commons

Predolin Commons, 1000 Edgewood College Drive March 28-30 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

UW-Madison - Student Activity Center

333 East Campus Mall March 27-31 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday

UW-Madison - Union South

1308 W. Dayton Street Info Lounge on 2nd floor March 27-31 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday