CCC City Council Election Calendar and Structure

 2023

CCC’s Steering Committee looks forward to speaking with all Candidates for City Council. The meetings are by Zoom and generally take place Friday or Sunday late afternoon (but other times are possible. We are sending each candidate a questionnaire to be filled out before the interview. We will hold our Candidate Forum (possibly co-hosted by other groups on Sunday September 10 from 5-7 PM. This will be by zoom.

 **Important Dates and Events to Remember:**

August 10, 2023: By August 10: Please respond affirmatively if you would like an interview with our leadership group (by zoom) – also include any time constraints.

August 15, 2023: By August 15 (or prior to your interview): Please fill out the candidate questionnaire. Note that this year we will not have a formal “slate” but will be listing candidates we urge our readers and affiliates to support based largely on their work to date on key issues that matter in the city and experience in related fields.

August 30, 2023. By this date, please let us know if you wish to be considered for a CCC endorsement. Completing the questionnaire and participating in our Forum are also an important part of this process.

Note our endorsement list is NOT a slate of candidates but instead a group of candidates that we think our voters should consider more closely. Our endorsement also does not come with any obligations, but we hope you will answer emails or phone calls from us once you are elected when key issues of mutual interest come before you.

 \* Please email your agreement to be considered a candidate by this date.

September 10, 2023 5-7 PM. CCC’s Candidate Forum. This Forum may be co-sponsored by other groups as well. It will be held by zoom. By indicating your desire to participate in the Forum you also agree to abide by the rules of the Forum.

September 11-15, 2023. CCC’s selection of endorsed candidates. This Selection will take place soon after the Candidate Forum on September 10 and we will let you know as soon as we have finalized our decision which will be based on a variety of criteria:

* **For incumbent council candidates** – we will be looking at your votes on key issues of importance to us (see our website at CCCoalition.org), your responsiveness to resident issues, as well as answers to the questionnaire, in our interview, and Forum appearance as well as goals for the next election. We are looking for a Council that will have a more holistic approach to issues and will also work collaboratively together to reach those goals.
* **For non-incumbent council candidates:** We will be looking at your responses to key issues of importance to us (see our website at CCCoalition.org), your responsiveness to resident issues, as well as answers to the questionnaire, in our interview, and Forum appearance as well as goals for the next election. We are looking for a Council that will have a more holistic approach to issues and will also work collaboratively together to reach those goals.
* We will only consider for endorsements those candidates who sent to us their writen agreement to being considered for a CCC endorsement prior to the Candidate Forum. Once our endorsement is made we cannot remove a candidate’s name.

September 15, 2023 through the November election: CCC will work hard to get our selected candidates elected through an array of platforms and engagements.