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## **Cerritos Voter Details: 2025 State and Municipal Concurrent Elections**

**CERRITOS, CA** – December 27, 2024 – Cerritos voters will soon have the opportunity to participate in separate elections at the State and City levels.

The recently called California State Senate District 36 Special Primary Election will be conducted on Tuesday, February 25, 2025. The next Cerritos General Municipal Election will take place on Tuesday, March 4, 2025. Cerritos voters will receive separate ballots for each election, and should pay special attention to the completion and placement of vote-by-mail ballots in their appropriate envelopes. Important dates and information for both elections are as follows:

### **State Senate District 36 (Primary) | Tuesday, February 25, 2025**

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, February 10, 2025 to receive a vote-by-mail ballot\*

**Voting Period:** Monday, January 27 – Tuesday, February 25, 2025

#### **Voting Options:**

- In-person voting at Don Knabe Regional Park, 19700 S. Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703
  - 11-day vote center, scheduled to open Saturday, February 15, 2025\*\*
- In-person Election Day voting at The Way Out Ministries, 22427 Norwalk Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716
  - Vote center open Election Day only, February 25, 2025\*\*
- Vote-by-Mail Ballot Drop Box – No Postage Required
  - Accessible 24 hours per day, beginning Monday, January 27, 2025
- Drop Box Locations:
  - Cerritos Civic Center Plaza: 18125 Bloomfield Avenue
  - Cerritos Park East: 13234 E. 166th Street
  - Cerritos Community College: 11110 Alondra Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
  - Hawaiian Gardens City Hall: 21815 Pioneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716
  - Artesia Library: 18801 Elaine Avenue, Artesia, CA 90701
  - Alondra Library: 11949 Alondra Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
  - George Nye, Jr. Library: 6600 Del Amo Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90713
  - CVS City Sidewalk: 6510 South Street, Lakewood, CA 90713

**Election Authority:** Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters

**More Information:** [lavote.gov](http://lavote.gov) / (800) 815-2666

Ballots for the State Senate District 36 election can be cast until 8 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2025. Voters are advised to carefully match the envelope with the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters logo and mailing address with the ballot for the State Senate District 36 Special Primary Election.

\*Conditional Voter Registration Period: Tuesday, February 11 – Tuesday, February 25, 2025  
During this period, an individual can “conditionally” register and vote provisionally at the County elections office, a satellite office, or vote center after the 15-day voter registration deadline.

\*\*Vote center dates and locations are subject to change. Please visit [lavote.gov](http://lavote.gov) for updated information.

### **Cerritos General Municipal Election | Tuesday, March 4, 2025**

The next Cerritos General Municipal Election will take place on Tuesday, March 4, 2025. The ballot will feature races for three Cerritos City Council seats, for full four-year terms, and two proposed Charter Amendment Measures. Each active, registered Cerritos voter will receive a vote-by-mail ballot for this election pursuant to State law. No return postage is required. Voters will have several options, including an in-person voting experience, to cast their ballots.

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, February 17 to receive a vote-by-mail ballot

**Voting Period:** Monday, February 3 – Tuesday, March 4, 2025

#### **Voting Options:**

- In-person Voting at City Hall (Weekday):
  - Monday, February 3 – Monday, March 3, 2025, during regular business hours, as posted
- In-person Voting at City Hall (Weekend):
  - Saturday, March 1 – Sunday, March 2, 2025, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Election Day Voting
  - Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- United States Postal Mail (USPS) – No Postage Required
  - Return your completed vote-by-mail ballot through the USPS
- Vote-by-Mail Ballot Drop Box – No Postage Required
  - Open 24 hours per day for the Cerritos General Municipal Election:
    - Monday, February 3, 2025 – Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 8 p.m.
- Cerritos Drop Box Locations:
  - Cerritos Civic Center Plaza: 18125 Bloomfield Avenue
  - Cerritos Park East: 13234 E. 166th Street

**Election Authority:** City of Cerritos Office of the City Clerk/Elections Official

**More Information:** [Cerritos.gov/election2025](http://Cerritos.gov/election2025) or (562) 916-1248

Candidate names (with ballot designations) will be listed on the ballot in the order shown below. The alphabet order of candidates for City officers was randomly drawn by the Secretary of State, per State law, and will be displayed in this order on the ballot:

For Member of the City Council – Vote for no more than three (3)

- Adrian Ayub  
Entrepreneur
- Jennifer Hong  
Businesswoman
- Hao (Ricky) Huynh  
Information Technology Technician
- Esther Hwang  
Nonprofit Program Manager
- Riaz Surti  
E-commerce Businessman
- Mark E. Pulido  
Retired Government Executive
- Rocky Pavone  
Businessman/Financial Educator
- (Pat) Ashok Patnaik  
Banker
- “JC” Jignesh Chokshi  
Small Business Owner
- Sophia Tse  
Member, ABCUSD Board of Education/Nurse

City of Cerritos voters will also decide two ballot measures on March 4, 2025 regarding modifications to generally clean up the City’s Charter and whether voters shall approve any future changes to the City’s General Municipal Election date. The questions on the March 4 ballot measures read as follows:

- Measure J
  - Shall the Cerritos City Charter be amended to require that voter approval must be obtained for any future change to the City’s general municipal election date, currently established as the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March of each odd-numbered year, and make conforming amendments to the start date of each City Council member’s term and selection date of the Mayor, relating thereto?
- Measure K
  - Shall the Cerritos City Charter be amended to remove or modify provisions based on superseding and preemptive State law, increase Citywide operational

efficiency by eliminating references to outdated business practices, and correct grammatical, punctuation, and spelling errors?

California cities are classified as either charter or general law. The City of Cerritos, a Charter City, is authorized to conduct standalone City elections by its Charter, the California State Constitution, and per recent case law, established by the California Second District Court of Appeal decision in March, 2020.

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