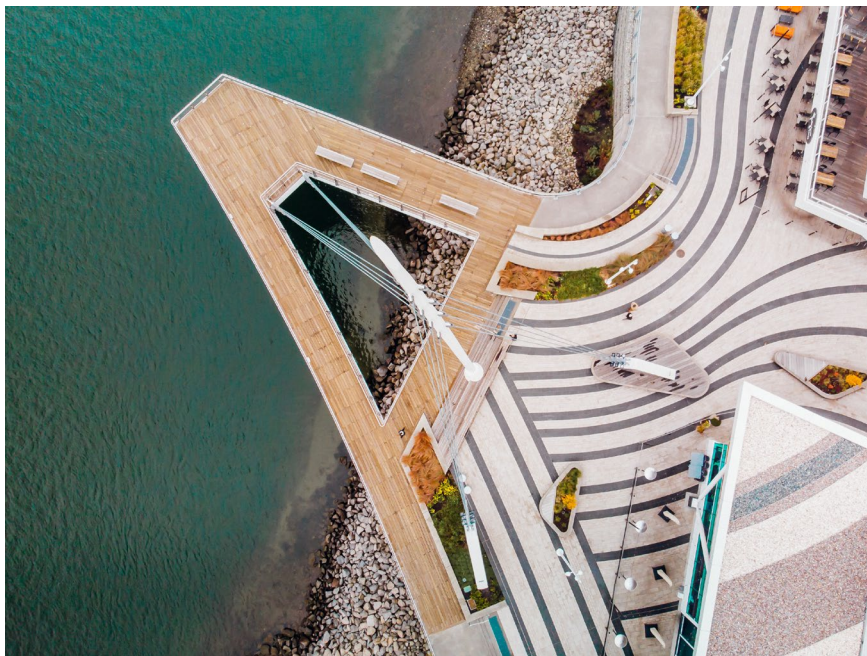


City Council Policies Review and Update

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Vancouver City Council Workshop
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Overview



City Council Policies for Discussion (Sequence Optional):

- Board / Comm'n. Appointment (100-06)
- City Council Meetings (100-32)
 - Community Forum
 - Dinner Hour / Fifth Mondays
 - Mayor Pro Tempore Selection
- City Council Ethics Policy (100-36)
- Filling Council Vacancies (100-38)

Community Member Boards Comm'ns (100-06)



Optional refinements to City Council Policy 100-06:

- ☐ Incorporate elements of the new recruitment, selection, and appointment process used by the Strategic Plan Advisory Committee (SPAC) into Sections 4.3 – 4.6.
- ☐ Periodic updates to list of Community Member Boards, Commissions, Committees and Task Forces brought forward on Consent Agenda.

Community Forum (Policy 100-32)

Which changes (if any) would Council be interested in seeing to the format of Community Communication Forum:

- ☐ Explore Sub-Quorum Breakouts
- ☐ Explore Reception Format
- ☐ Convene City Council Workgroup
- ☐ No changes at this time
- ☐ Other recommendations



Meeting Schedule (Policy 100-32)



Options for additional workshop time on as-needed basis:

- ☐ Expand Dinner Break to 1 hour
- ☐ Use 'Fifth Mondays' as-needed for Retreat-style work sessions
- ☐ Other recommendations

Mayor Pro Tem Selection (Policy 100-32)

Current Process:

4.1. Choosing Mayor Pro Tempore

The Mayor Pro Tempore shall be chosen according to *Section 2.04 of the Vancouver City Charter and Roberts Rules of Order*.

Optional Refinements:

- ☐ Specify voting method(s) to be used.
- ☐ Specify rules for abstention (if other than Policy 100-32, Section 10.16.3).

Ethics Policy (100-36)

Gatekeeper function: The question of whether allegations, if true, constitute an ethics violation should be referred to:

- ☐ City Hearings Examiner
- ☐ A new City-commissioned Ethics Board
- ☐ Remain with City Council (current)

Standing to file an ethics complaint:

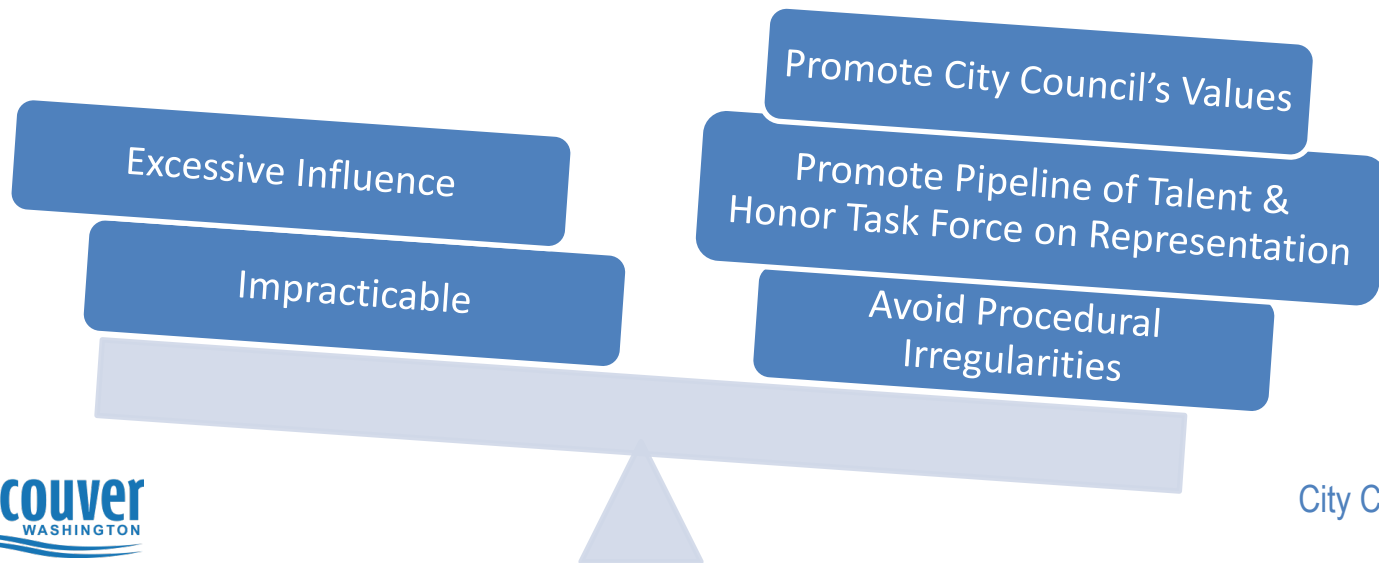
- ☐ Anyone (current)
- ☐ Residents
- ☐ Other



Filling Council Vacancies (Policy 100-38)

Freeze

Appoint



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Charter Review

- A. Freeze Periods.
- B. Specify Special Election Dates.



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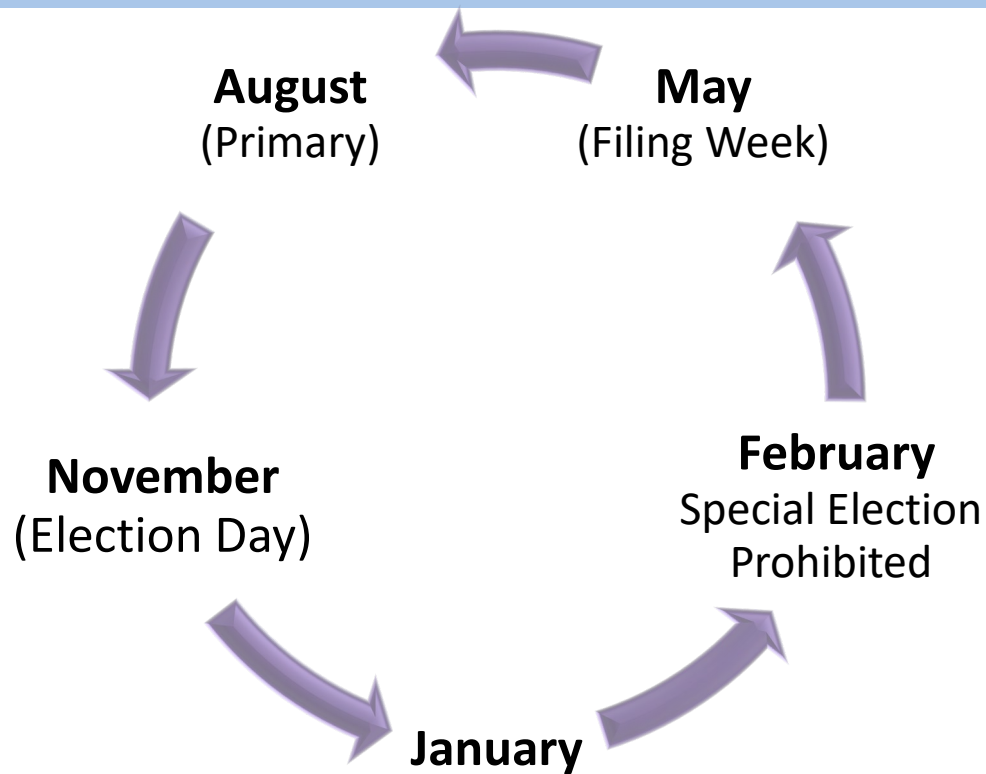
- A. Interview non-candidates first.
- B. Avoid appointments within 60 days of filing week.



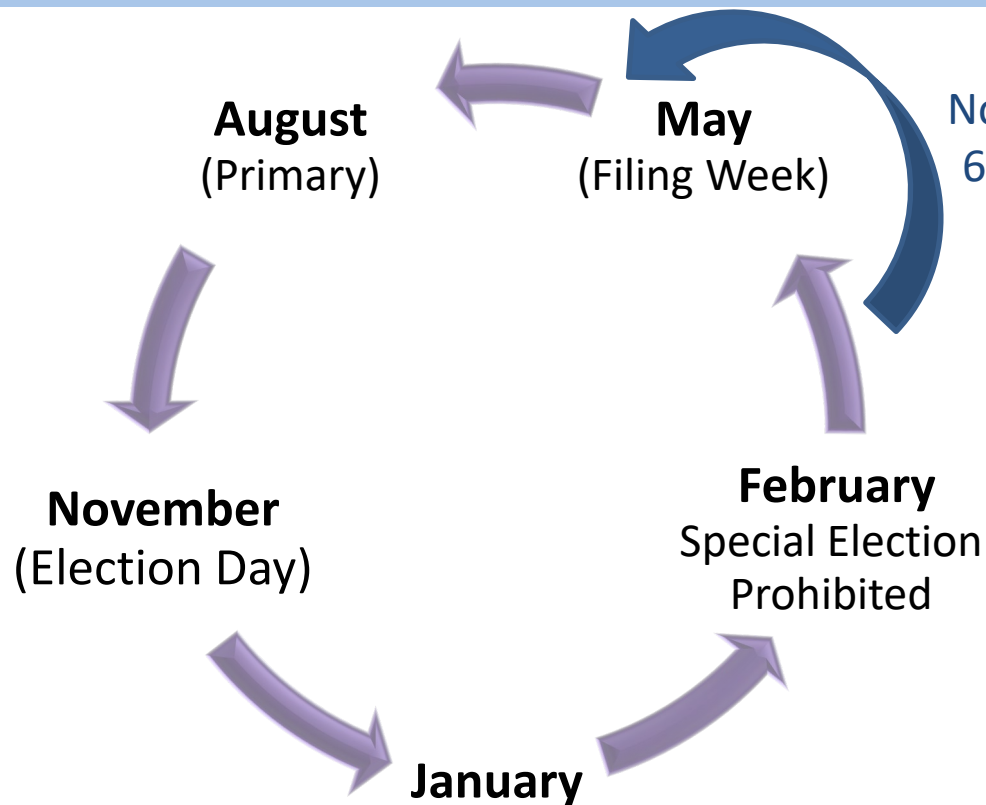
City Staff

- A. Task Force on Representation.
- B. Develop slate of prospective appointees who agree not to run.

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City Council Policy:
No interviews scheduled
60 days before last day
of filing week.

Additional Topics and Discussion