



MOST VOTERS NEED NOT SUBMIT APPLICATION TO RECEIVE BY-MAIL EARLY VOTING BALLOT FOR 2021 CITY OF OMAHA GENERAL ELECTION

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Omaha, Nebr. – The majority of voters who voted an early voting ballot by mail for the City of Omaha Primary Election will receive a by-mail early voting ballot for the May 11, 2021 City of Omaha General Election without submitting another application.

“The proximity of the election dates makes it possible for voters to request by-mail ballots for both elections with one application,” stated Brian W. Kruse, Douglas County Election Commissioner. “This is a unique feature of City of Omaha elections since they are held within 35 days of each other.”

Voters who requested a by-mail ballot by returning the green postcard application from the Douglas County Election Commission and submitted it to our office on or before March 26, 2021 have already been entered to receive a by-mail ballot for the 2021 City of Omaha General Election. Ballot applications from the Election Commission website, candidates, political parties, and other organizations likely also enabled voters to apply for by-mail ballots for both elections. Regardless of the form used, applications were processed for both elections if applicable.

Voters who have moved since submitting an early voting by-mail ballot application must submit a new application with their current address to the Election Commission no later than Friday, April 23, 2021. Voters with any questions should contact the Election Commission at (402) 444-8683 or earlyvoting@votedouglascounty.com.

Voters who did not vote early by mail for the City of Omaha Primary Election but wish to receive an early voting ballot for the General Election may submit an application through Friday, April 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Voters may use the green postcard if they have yet to return it, an application may be printed from the Election Commission website, www.votedouglascounty.com, or a voter may send a written request for an early voting ballot, including the election, their name, date of birth, phone number and/or email address, registered address, address where the ballot should be mailed, and their signature. Requests may be delivered to an official ballot drop box, mailed or delivered to 12220 W Center Road, Omaha,

NE 68144, faxed to (402) 444-4181, or a clear picture or scan of the completed form may be emailed to earlyvoting@votedouglascounty.com. Early voting ballots may not be requested by telephone.

Monday, April 26, 2021 is the first date early voting ballots will be mailed for the City of Omaha General Election. In-person early voting also begins on Monday, April 26, 2021 at the Douglas County Election Commission. In addition to early voting options, polling places will be available on Election Day, May 11, 2021, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Voters who wish to check the status of their early voting ballot application for the City of Omaha General Election may do so by calling the Election Commission at (402) 444-VOTE (8683) or by visiting www.votedouglascounty.com. On the home page under Shortcuts, select "Vote Early By Mail" and then "Early Voting Ballot Status Check." This will redirect you to the Nebraska Secretary of State's voter check page. Voters must provide first name, last name, and county to match the voter registration, and click "Look Up." Ensure the "05/11/2021 Omaha City General" is displayed in the Election Details; enter your date of birth; click "Look Up;" the "Application Status" circle should state "Accepted" and be green in color.

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