
City of Marietta

General Election Information

2018 - 2022

The next election for Mayor and Council will be November 7, 2017, and will take office on January 1, 2018 (1st Monday) for a four-year term, ending January 2022 (1st Monday).

OFFICES (nonpartisan races):

- Mayor (elected city-wide)
- Seven (7) Council seats (elected by Ward)

QUALIFYING FEES:

Mayor.....	\$756
Council.....	\$567
Board of Education.....	\$207.36

QUALIFYING PERIOD:

City Clerk's Office, 205 Lawrence Street, 4th Floor
Monday, August 21, 2017 - Wednesday, August 23, 2017
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Mayor:

To be eligible for the office of Mayor:

- Shall be at least 21 years of age.
- Shall meet the requirements of a qualified voter of the city, as prescribed by state law.
- Shall not be ineligible for public office pursuant to code section 45-2-1 of the O.C.G.A. The residency requirement for a candidate for Mayor shall be 12 months residency within the municipality.
- Shall not be eligible who has been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, unless such person's civil rights have been restored.
- Shall continue to reside within the city limits for which elected during term of office.

Council:

To be eligible for the office of Council:

- Shall be at least 21 years of age.
- Shall meet the requirements of a qualified voter of the city, as prescribed by state law.
- Shall not be ineligible for public office pursuant to code section 45-2-1 of the O.C.G.A.
- Shall be a bona fide resident of the ward from which he seeks election for the same period of time required by code section 45-2-1 of the O.C.G.A. for residency of municipal officers within the city, which is 12 months residency.
- Shall not be eligible who have been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, unless such person's civil rights have been restored.
- Shall continue to reside within the city ward for which elected during term of office.

Board of Education:

To be eligible for the office of Board of Education a person:

- Has to be a citizen of the United States;
- Has to be at least 21 years of age;
- Has to be registered to vote as prescribed by state law; and
- Has to meet the residency requirements set forth in the Marietta City Code Section 2.202(e), which reads:

“The residency requirements for a person seeking to be elected to the board of education shall be:

(1) In the case of a general election, the person shall be a resident of the ward for which the office is sought on or before July 1 next preceding the date of taking of office and, in addition, the person shall be a resident of the City of Marietta on or before January 1 next preceding the date of taking office; and

(2) In the case of a special election, the person shall be a resident of the ward for which the office is sought for a minimum of six (6) months next preceding the date of taking of office and, in addition, the person shall be a resident of the City of Marietta for a minimum of 12 months next preceding the date of taking of office; provided, however, that the residency requirements for 1993 shall be the lessor of the requirements set forth in this paragraph or the effective date of this law pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1973 (C).”

COMPENSATION for the mayor and councilmembers.

The Mayor is compensated at \$25,200 per year, \$2,100 per month, plus \$160 expenses (Ord. #7918, Approved 8/10/2016, Effective 1/1/2018).

The 7 Council members are compensated at \$18,900 per year, \$1,575 per month, plus \$150 expenses (Ord. #7918, Approved 8/10/2016, Effective 1/1/2018).

MEETING DATES:

Regular City Council meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber located on the first floor of Marietta City Hall, 205 Lawrence St.

City Council committee meetings are usually held the last Wednesday of every month, at 5:15 p.m. in the Council Chamber located on the first floor of Marietta City Hall, 205 Lawrence St.

The Agenda Work Sessions are held the Monday prior to the Regular Council meeting, at 5:15 p.m. in the Council Chamber located on the first floor of Marietta City Hall, 205 Lawrence St.

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

A declaration of intention to accept campaign contributions form must be filed with the Marietta City Clerk’s Office prior to accepting campaign contributions.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Campaign Committees must register with the Secretary of State.

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE REPORTS

Please refer to www.ethics.georgia.gov for additional information regarding campaign contribution reporting or call the City Clerk’s Office - (770) 794-5526.

FILING SCHEDULE FOR ELECTION YEAR

If you plan to accept/expend a combined total of contributions or expenditures exceeding \$2,500, the filing dates are below:

Year	Report Name	Grace End Date	Period \$125 Fee
2017	January 31st - Election Year	02/07/2017	02/08/2017 - 02/14/2017
2017	March 31st - Election Year	04/07/2017	04/08/2017 - 04/14/2017

2017	June 30th - Election Year	07/10/2017	07/11/2017 - 07/14/2017
2017	September 30th - Election Year	10/06/2017	10/07/2017 - 10/14/2017
2017	October 25th - Election Year	11/01/2017	11/02/2017 - 11/08/2017
2017	December 31st - Election Year	01/08/2018	01/09/2018 - 01/14/2018

If you do not plan to accept/expend a combined total of contributions or expenditures exceeding \$2,500, you are eligible to file the Affidavit of a Candidate's Intent not to exceed \$2,500 in Contributions. (See enclosed document)

A Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering the period of the preceding calendar year shall be filed no later than the fifteenth day following the date of qualifying as a candidate. Only one Financial Disclosure Statement is required per calendar year.

Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission
 200 Piedmont Avenue S.E. | Suite 1402 West Tower | Atlanta, GA 30334 | 404-463-1980 |
www.ethics.ga.gov

CAMPAIGN SIGNS - Temporary political campaign signage (including posters and advertisements) limited to 32 square feet per sign area and there shall be no more than 2 sign faces per road frontage. Any political signage that does not meet these requirements shall be required to obtain a sign permit and follow those restrictions set forth for that type of sign. All signs must be removed within 5 days of the last day that the candidate's name or that issue appears on a ballot for a primary, runoff, general or special election. All such signs are prohibited (a) within any public right-of-way, (b) on any public property or building, (c) on any private property unless the owner thereof has given permission (Marietta City Code 714.03E).

It shall be unlawful for any person to place campaign posters, signs, and advertisements on any property zoned for commercial or industrial uses if the placement of such campaign posters, signs, and advertisements conflicts with any zoning laws or ordinances (O.C.G.A. 21-2-3(5)).

City of Marietta Elections are conducted by the Cobb County Board of Elections, 736 Whitlock Avenue, Ste 400, Marietta, GA (770) 528-2300.

POLLING PLACES

Ward One:

1A

Marietta Sixth Grade Academy
 340 Aviation Road
 Marietta, GA 30060

2B

Hickory Hills Elementary School
 500 Redwood Drive
 Marietta, GA 30064

Ward Two:

2A

Marietta High School
 1171 Whitlock Avenue
 Marietta, GA 30064

Ward Three:

3A

Marietta Middle School Gym
 191 Winn Street
 Marietta, GA 30064

Ward Four:

4A
Maple Avenue United Methodist
Church
63 Maple Avenue
Marietta, GA 30064

4B
Tommy Nobis Center
1480 Bells Ferry Road
Marietta, Georgia 30066

4C
New Salem Baptist Church
836 New Salem Road NW
Kennesaw, GA 30152.

Ward Five:

5A
Zion Baptist Church
165 Lemon Street
Marietta, GA 30060

5B

Cathedral of Turner Chapel AME
492 North Marietta Parkway
Marietta, Georgia 30060

Ward Six:

6A
Lockheed Elementary School
1205 Merritt Road
Marietta, GA 30062

6B
Mt. Paran Church of God North
1700 Allgood Road
Marietta, GA 30062

Ward Seven:

7A
Cobb County Civic Center
548 South Marietta Parkway
Marietta, GA 30060