

**City of Marietta  
General Election Information**

**2022 - 2025**

**The next election for Mayor and Council will be November 2, 2021 and will take office on January 1, 2022, for a four-year term, ending December 31, 2025.**

**OFFICES (nonpartisan races):**

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

**QUALIFYING FEES: (Ord. 8206, Approved 1/13/2021)**

Mayor..... \$756

Council..... \$567

**QUALIFYING PERIOD: (Ord. 8206, Approved 1/13/2021)**

Monday, August 16, 2021 - Wednesday, August 18, 2021

Hours of qualifying shall be between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m

(closed 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch)

**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.

**The next election for the Board of Education members will be November 2, 2021 and will take office on January 1, 2022, for a four-year term, ending December 31, 2025.**

**OFFICES (nonpartisan races):**

- Seven (7) Education Board seats (elected by Ward)

**QUALIFYING FEES:**

Board Members..... **TBD**

**QUALIFYING PERIOD:**

Monday, August 16, 2021 - Wednesday, August 18, 2021  
Hours of qualifying shall be between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m  
(closed 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch)

**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**

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).

The 7 School board are compensated at \$6,912 per year, while the Board Chair's annual salary is \$8,160.

### **COUNCIL 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.

### **SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATES:**

**Work Session and special-called meetings** are held the second Tuesday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Marietta City Schools Administrative Offices located at 250 Howard Street in Marietta and are open to the public.

**Regular board meetings** are held the third Tuesday of each month, at 7 p.m., at the Marietta City Schools Administrative Offices located at 250 Howard Street in Marietta and are open to the public.

### **CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS**

A declaration of intention to accept campaign contributions form must be filed with the City Clerk's Office prior to accepting campaign contributions. (See enclosed document)

### **CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Filers who do not exceed \$2,500.00 in contributions or expenditures:**

- Must file the Affidavit that candidate does not intend to accept contributions exceeding \$2,500.00 nor make expenditures exceeding \$2,500.00 during the election cycle.
- Candidate is not required to file any Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports during the election year.

#### **Filers who exceed \$2,500.00 in contributions or expenditures, but do not exceed \$5,000.00:**

- Once the filer exceeds \$2,500.00, the filer is required to file Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports in accordance with the following schedule:
  - Filing date: December 31

#### **Filers who exceed \$5,000 in contributions or expenditures:**

- Must file Campaign Contribution Disclosure Reports in accordance with the following schedule:
  - Filing date: October 25 and December 31

If you complete the Affidavit at the beginning of the year and your situation changes, you can always submit a Campaign Contribution Disclosure Report at the appropriate time.

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. (See enclosed document)

Please refer to [www.ethics.georgia.gov](http://www.ethics.georgia.gov) for additional information regarding campaign contribution reporting or contact the 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](http://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.

## **ORDER VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS AND FILES**

By law, voter registration lists are available to the public and contain the following information: voter name, residential address, mailing address if different, race, gender, registration date, and last voting date. Pricing is set by the Secretary of State's Office. Such data may not be used by any person for commercial purposes. (O.C.G.A. § 21-2-225 (c))

## **HOW TO ORDER A LIST**

Please visit the Secretary of State's website or submit the enclosed form and payment of \$50 to:

Secretary of State's Office  
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Suite 802, West Tower  
Atlanta, GA 30334

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The purchaser is responsible for submitting orders with sufficient time for production and shipping of data prior to an election related event. Standard processing time is 1-2 weeks from the date the order was received by the Secretary of State's Office. All orders will be sent electronically.

Any and all costs or fees charged for voter registration lists or data files are non-refundable. The sole remedy for non-delivery of or "damaged" voter registration lists or data files is replacement of the original order. The purchaser must provide immediate notification of non-delivery or damage to the original order.

Prior to the acceptance and processing of any order, the purchaser must remit payment for all charges in the form of a valid check, money order, or credit card (online system or in person pickup). No other forms of payment are accepted. All payments shall be paid to the order of "Georgia Secretary of State." The purchaser will be assessed a fee of \$40.00 for any returned checks and starter checks are not accepted.

## **POLLING PLACES**

### ***Ward One:***

1A Bridge Pointe Church  
285 Victory Drive  
Marietta, GA 30060

### ***Ward Two:***

2A Marietta High School  
1171 Whitlock Avenue  
Marietta, GA 30064

2B Senior Wellness Center  
1150 Powder Springs Street  
Marietta, GA 30064

### ***Ward Three:***

3A Pleasant Grove  
Missionary  
Baptist Church  
566 Whitlock Avenue  
Marietta, GA 30064

3B Iglesia Misionera  
Asambleas De Dios  
1021 Oregon Trail  
Marietta, GA 30008

### ***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 Redeemed Christian  
Church  
of God-Heaven's Gate  
Church  
816 Pickens Industrial Drive  
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