



City of Cambridge

Executive Department

YI-AN HUANG
City Manager

CMA 2025 #178
IN CITY COUNCIL
June 30, 2025

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Please find attached a recommendation from the Board of Election Commissioners for the City Council to vote to authorize in-person early voting for the November 4, 2025 Municipal Election, in accordance with "The VOTES Act".

Yi-An Huang
City Manager





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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

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To: Yi-An Huang, City Manager
From: Board of Election Commissioners
Date: June 20, 2025

Re: Recommendation for In-Person Early Voting for the 2025 Municipal Election

In accordance with “The VOTES Act” cities and towns may choose to have in-person early voting. To opt-in to early voting for local elections, at least two registrars need to recommend it, and the board of selectmen, town council, or city council must then vote to authorize in-person early voting. The vote to opt-in to early voting must take place no later than 5 days before early voting would begin and must include the early voting schedule. Early voting can begin no earlier than the 17th day before the election or preliminary election and can end no later than 2 business days before the election. Early voting for local elections defaults to the City’s usual business hours, unless the vote specifies otherwise. Sites for early voting for local elections will be designated by the City Clerk.

In accordance with the provisions of “The Votes Act”, the Board of Election Commissioners recommends early in-person voting begin on Saturday, October 25, 2025, and end on Friday, October 31, 2025, during the hours and at the locations as indicated below.

DESIGNATED EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, HOURS, AND DAYS

Cambridge Water Department - 250 Fresh Pond Parkway
Valente Library – 826 Cambridge Street, Side Entrance on Berkshire Street
Main Library – 449 Broadway

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October 25	October 26	October 27	October 28	October 29	October 30	October 31
9 am - 3 pm	9 am - 3 pm	8:30 am - 8 pm	8:30 am - 5 pm	8:30 am - 5 pm	8:30 am - 5 pm	8:30 am - 12 pm

At a meeting held on Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. the Board of Election Commissioners voted 4 in favor, 0 against, to submit this request recommending that the City Council vote to authorize early in-person

voting and the early voting locations, dates, and hours for the November 4, 2025, Municipal Election. The City of Cambridge Board of Election Commissioners respectfully submits this report to the City Council for review and determination.



City of Cambridge

Agenda Item No. 2
IN CITY COUNCIL
June 30, 2025

WHEREAS: At a meeting held on Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. the Board of Election Commissioners voted 4 in favor, 0 against, to submit this request recommending that the City Council vote to authorize early in-person voting and the early voting locations, dates, and hours for the November 4, 2025, Municipal Election.; and

WHEREAS: In accordance with the provisions of “The Votes Act”, the Board of Election Commissioners recommends early in-person voting begin on Saturday, October 25, 2025, and end on Friday, October 31, 2025, during the hours and at the locations as indicated below:

Locations

Cambridge Water Department - 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

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Main Library – 449 Broadway

Hours

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday, October 27, 2025 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 .8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Thursday, October 30, 2025 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday, October 31, 2025 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Now, therefore be it

ORDERED: That in accordance with the provisions of “The Votes Act”, upon request of the Board of Election Commissioners, the City Council hereby authorizes early in-person voting for the November 4, 2025 Municipal Election for the hours and locations outlined above.