

WACONIA ELECTION FAQs



How Can I Vote in Waconia?

City of Waconia residents have multiple options for voting:

1. Vote by mail.
2. Vote at City Hall, 201 South Vine Street (City of Waconia Residents Only).
3. Go to the Taxpayer Services Department at Carver County Government Center, 600 E. 4th Street, Chaska, (ALL Carver County Residents).
4. Vote in person on Election Day.

When Can I Vote by Absentee?

For the General Election, absentee voting is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday starting September 18 and going through November 2. City Hall will also be open extended hours for voting on the following dates:

Saturday, October 24: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Monday, October 26 - Thursday, October 29: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 31: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Monday, November 2: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

How Do I Vote by Mail?

You can vote absentee by mail. You can apply for an absentee ballot any time during the year, except the day of the election. Leave time for election officials to mail your ballot to you and for you to return your ballot. Your returned ballot must be postmarked on or before Election Day (November 3, 2020) and received by your county within the next seven calendar days (November 10).

To request a mail ballot, please visit the Secretary of State's Website or www.waconia.org/votebymail.

How do I register to vote?

There are multiple ways to register, which you can find by visiting www.waconia.org/registertovote. The easiest way is to click on the link on that page that takes you to the Secretary of State's website to register online. You will need to have your Driver's License or MN State ID number. You can also call 952-361-1910 to request a voter registration application, or visit www.waconia.org/elections to download a Voter Registration Form. The last day to pre-register so that you are on the Election Day voter logs is October 13. You can also register to vote in-person when you come to absentee vote or on Election Day.

To register at your polling place on Election Day, you will need to bring one proof of residence listed below:

- ID with current name and address (valid MN driver's license, learner's permit, or ID, or a receipt for any of these; or a tribal ID with name, address, photo, and signature)
- Photo ID and a document with current name and address. The document can be a bill, account, or start of service statement due or dated within 30 days of the election for phone, tv, internet, solid waste, sewer, electric, gas, water, banking, credit card, rent, or mortgage. Additional, residential lease or rent agreements valid through Election Day or a current student fee statement are also accepted.
- Registered voter who can confirm your address (must be a voter from your precinct)
- College student ID with housing list
- Valid registration in the same precinct
- Notice of late registration
- Staff person of a residential facility

If you have any questions regarding how to vote in the 2020 Election, contact:

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