# San Francisco Ethics Commission Filing Schedule for Candidates and Controlled Committees for City Elective Office Being Voted on November 5, 2019



Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Jul 31, 2019 Semi-Annual	* – 6/30/19	460 or 470	<ul> <li>Form 460: All committees must file Form 460.</li> <li>Form 470: Candidates who filed candidacy papers on or before June 30, who do not have open committees, and who will not raise or spend \$2,000 or more in 2019, file Form 470.</li> </ul>
Sep 26, 2019 1st Pre-Election	7/1/19 – 9/21/19	460 or 470	<ul> <li>Each candidate listed on the ballot must file Form 460 or Form 470 (see below).</li> </ul>
Oct 24, 2019 2 <sup>nd</sup> Pre-Election	9/22/19 – 10/19/19	460	<ul> <li>All committees must file Form 460.</li> </ul>
Nov 1, 2019 3 <sup>rd</sup> Pre-Election	10/20/19 – 10/30/19	460	<ul> <li>All committees must file Form 460.</li> </ul>
Jan 31, 2020 Semi-Annual	10/31/19 – 12/31/19	460	<ul> <li>All committees must file Form 460 unless the committee filed termination Forms 410 and 460 before December 31, 2019.</li> </ul>

# **Additional Filing Requirements (Information):**

- **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- Form 501: All candidates must file Form 501 (Candidate Intention Statement) before soliciting/receiving contributions.
- Form 410: (Statement of Organization) must be filed once \$2,000 or more has been raised/spent.
- Form 460: Candidates who have raised/spent \$2,000 or more file the Form 460. The Form 460 must be e-filed with the San Francisco Ethics Commission.
- Form SFEC 125: All committees which receive contributions which were "bundled" must file SFEC Form 125 at the time they are required to file a semi-annual or pre-election statement (see page 2 for more information).
- Form SFEC 161: Each committee which pays for a "mass mailing" must file a SFEC Form161 (including a copy of the mailing) within 5 days of the mailing, or within 48 hours if sent within the last 16 days prior to the election.
- FPPC Form 470: Candidates who do not raise or spend \$2,000 or more (or anticipate raising or spending \$2,000 or more) in 2019 and do not have an open committee may file Form 470 on or before September 26, 2019. If, later during the calendar year, a campaign committee must be opened, a Form 470 Supplement and a Form 410 must be filed. This report is not required if a Form 470 was filed by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

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### **Additional Notes Cont.:**

- Late Filing Fines: Late filed statements required to be e-filed will be assessed a \$25 per day late fine, until the statement is e-filed. Late filed statements required to be filed on paper will be assessed a \$10 per day late fine, until the statement is filed.
- Cross-Filing Rules: When a candidate or officeholder controls more than one committee for the purpose of election to office, all committees of that
  candidate or officeholder MUST file FPPC Form 460 semi-annual and pre-election statements each time any committee statement is due (see Cal. Code
  Regulation Section 18405)
- Prohibition on Contributions from Contractors doing Business with the City: See Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Sec. 1.126 and its regulations for more information.
- Prohibition on Contributions from Corporations: See Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Sec. 1.114(b) and its regulations for more information.
- Prohibition on Contributions for Official Action: See Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Sec. 1.114(d).
- Advertisement Disclaimers: Many candidate advertisements require disclaimers, please see <u>disclaimer charts</u> on the Ethics Commission website for specific disclaimer requirements.
- Complete Training: Candidates for City elective office and their treasurer/assistant treasurer must complete a <u>training</u> conducted by Ethics Commission staff prior to each election in which the candidate will appear on the ballot.

#### **Definitions**

"Mass Mailing": Over 200 substantially similar pieces of mail but does not include a form letter or other mail which is sent in response to an unsolicited request, letter or other inquiry (see Form SFEC 161).

"Bundled Contributions": Delivering or transmitting contributions, other than one's own or one's spouse's, except for campaign administrative activities and any actions by the candidate that a candidate committee is supporting.

"Campaign Administrative Activity": Administrative functions performed by paid or volunteer campaign staff, a campaign consultant whose payment is disclosed on the committee's campaign statements, or such campaign consultant's paid employees.