

to vote, you may still vote by affidavit.

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Voter Information

March 2017

Residents of Biloxi:

Elections for Mayor and City Council are coming up in Biloxi, and the city is distributing this Voter Information Guide as part of the effort to educate residents about where and when to vote. Inside this newsletter, you will find a map showing city ward lines and the city polling locations. Ward 1 has two polling places, and Ward 2 has three polling places. All other wards have one polling place.

The upcoming party primary election for Mayor and City Council takes place on May 2 with the general election on June 6. Municipal polling places (shown on the map in this newsletter) will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. those days. If no candidate receives more than 50 percent of the vote in the May 2 primary, a runoff election between the top two candidates with the most votes will be conducted on May 16 to determine party nominees.

Voters at two polling places – Ward 2B and Ward 6 – will be voting at new locations. Ward 2B, who formerly voted at the Saenger Theater, will now vote at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Municipal Building, 676 MLK Blvd. Ward 6, which formerly voted at the Business Technology Center, will now vote at the A.J. Holloway Sports Complex, 765 Wells Drive.

Some voters in Biloxi may have different polling places for city, county, state and national elections. For city elections, vote at your municipal polling place. Are you a registered voter? The fact is, if you have registered to vote in a previous Biloxi municipal election, you should be a registered voter. However, if you have moved since the last election, you should update your registration information with the Harrison County Circuit Clerk's office to reflect your new address. And make no mistake: No one will be turned away on voting day. If you are a resident of Biloxi and your name cannot be found on the voter rolls when you go

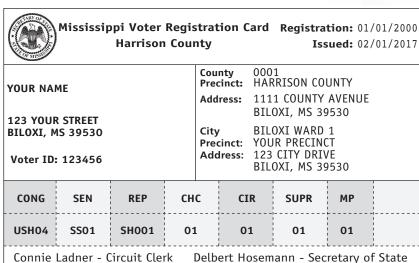
Also, in accordance with the state Voter Identification law, voters must show a photo ID when voting. Among the acceptable forms of identification are a driver's license; a photo ID card issued by a branch, department, or entity of the state of Mississippi; a U.S. passport; a government employee ID card; a firearms license; a student photo ID issued by an accredited Mississippi university, college, or community/junior college; a U.S. military ID; a tribal photo ID; any other photo ID issued by any branch, department, agency or entity of the U.S. government or any state government; or a Mississippi Voter Identification Card.

Through this newsletter and other notices, the City of Biloxi is taking steps to ensure that you know where and when to vote. Meantime, if you have any questions about the upcoming elections, you can contact me by phone at (228) 435-6254 or by email at sthacker@biloxi.ms.us.

I encourage you to exercise your right to vote and become involved in the process.

Sincerely,

Stacy L. Thacker Municipal Clerk

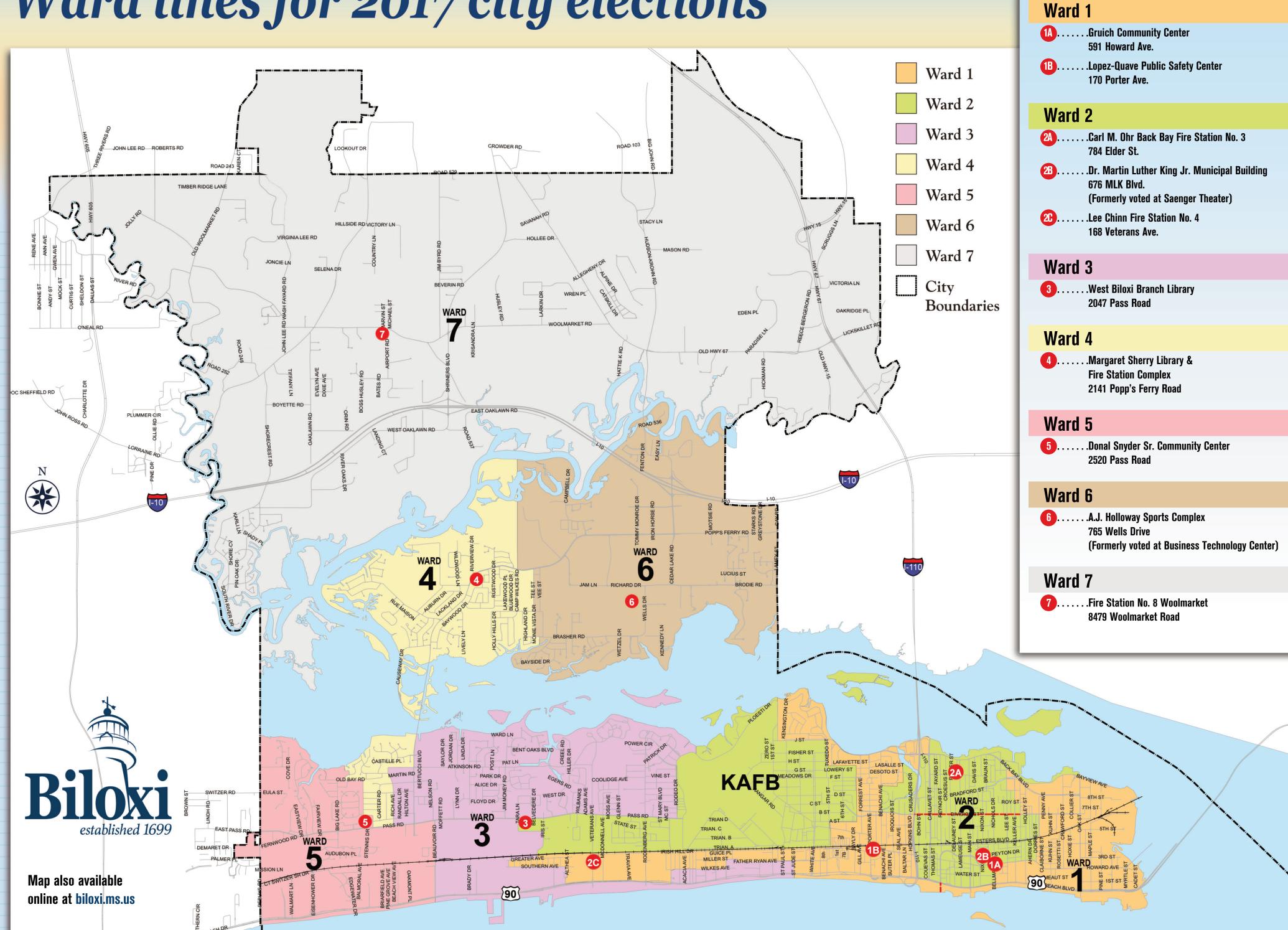


Do you have a voter card? New voter cards are being sent to residents of Ward 2B and Ward 6 since they will be voting at a new polling place this year. Voter cards are not mandatory, but they are handy guides to remind you of your polling place for local, state and federal elections. If you don't have a voter card and would like one, visit the Circuit Clerk's office at the Harrison County Courthouse in Biloxi or Gulfport, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Key dates involving the 2017 city elections

- Saturday, April 1, 8 a.m. to noon Deadline to register to vote in the Primary and Primary Runoff Election, if you are not already registered or if you have moved.
- Saturday, April 22, 8 a.m. to noon Municipal Clerk's Office at Biloxi City Hall will be open for in-person absentee voting for Primary Election.
- Saturday, April 29, 8 a.m. to noon Deadline to vote in person at Biloxi City
 Hall by absentee ballot for Primary Election. (Absentee ballots by mail must be
 received by Municipal Clerk by 5 p.m. on May 1.)
- Tuesday, May 2 Primary Election. Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 6 8 a.m. to noon Deadline to register to vote in the General Election, if you are not already registered or if you have moved.
- Saturday, May 6 and May 13, 8 a.m. to noon Municipal Clerk's Office at Biloxi City Hall will be open for in-person absentee voting for Primary Election Runoff, if necessary.
- Tuesday, May 16 Run-off election, if necessary. Polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 27 8 a.m. to noon Municipal Clerk's Office at Biloxi City Hall will be open for in-person absentee voting for General Election.
- Saturday, June 3 8 a.m. to noon Deadline to vote in person at Biloxi City Hall by absentee ballot for General Election. (Absentee ballots by mail must be received by Municipal Clerk by 5 p.m. on June 5.)
- Tuesday, June 6 General Election. Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Ward lines for 2017 city elections



Polling places

Frequently Called Numbers

(Area code is 228 for all numbers, unless noted otherwise)

• Animal control 392-0641
To report stray or dead animals, leash-law violations
• Auto Tag/Property Tax Information 435-8242
County Courthouse at Lameuse Street and MLK
Boulevard
• Birth Certificates601-576-7400
State Department of Vital Statistics in Jackson
• Building Permits
To obtain permits for construction and improvements
• Business Licenses
To obtain a license to do business in the city
• City Council
To reach councilmembers or clerks of council
• City Court
Information on traffic tickets and court docket
• Code Enforcement

• Driver's Licenses
• Emergency Police and Fire911
Non-emergency: 435-6100 (police) or 435-6200 (fire)
Garbage Collection
Waste Pro manages the city's residential garbage
collection
• Housing Authority 374-7771
To get information on public housing
• Human Resources
For info on city employment; on third floor, City Hall
• Mayor's Office
Citizen services, proclamations, public records
requests
Museums information 435-6244
Info on city museums or to rent historic properties

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• Parks & Recreation 388-7170
Info on programs, or to rent most city facilities
• Planning Commission 435-6266
To apply for a change in your zoning or land use
• Public Schools
Administrative office for all Biloxi public schools
Streets and Drainage
To report pot holes, damaged street signs or traffic signals
• Visitor Info 374-3105 or 1-800-BILOXI-3
Visitors Center is on U.S. 90, north of Biloxi Lighthouse
• Voter Registration
County Circuit Clerk registers voters, updates addresses
• Water Department 435-6236
After-hours emergency: 228-392-0641
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abandoned vehicles

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