

Important Dates

February 24, 2026 Mason City Special Election

Friday, January 30th

5:00 pm Deadline to file nomination papers in the office of the county auditor

Monday, February 2nd

12:00 pm Deadline to object to candidate's nomination papers

5:00 pm Deadline for candidate to withdraw

Wednesday, February 4th (if ballots are ready)

First day absentee ballots can be mailed

First day to vote by absentee ballot in the county auditor's office

Monday, February 9th

5:00 pm Deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed to the voter

5:00 pm Voter pre-registration deadline

Friday, February 13th

9:00 am Public test of election equipment

Monday, February 23rd

5:00 pm Deadline to vote by absentee ballot in-person

Tuesday, February 24th – Election Day – Polls Open 7:00am – 8:00pm

8:00 pm Deadline for absentee voter to correct an incomplete affidavit

8:00 pm Deadline for personal delivery of voted absentee ballots to county auditor's office

Monday, March 2nd

9:00 am Absentee Precinct Board will meet to review provisional ballots and tally write-in votes

Tuesday, March 3rd

1:00 pm Canvass of election by Cerro Gordo County Board of Supervisors

Thursday, March 5th

1:00 pm Post Election Audit

Tuesday, March 24th

Runoff Election Day (if necessary)