CHAPTER 205

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

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205.02 STATUTES APPLICABLE.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S. 1986]

Subd. 2. City elections. In all statutory and home rule charter cities, the primary, general and special elections held for choosing city officials and deciding public questions relating to the city shall be held as provided in this chapter, except that this section and sections 205.065, subdivisions 2 to 7; 205.07 to 205.12 and 205.175 and 205.185 do not apply to a city whose charter provides the manner of holding its primary, general or special elections.

History: 1987 c 62 s 5

205.065 PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1986]

- Subd. 2. Resolution or ordinance. The governing body of a city of the second, third, or fourth class or a town containing a statutory city may, by ordinance or resolution adopted at least three months before the next municipal general election, elect to choose nominees for municipal offices by a primary as provided in subdivisions 2 to 7. The resolution or ordinance, when adopted, is effective for all ensuing municipal elections until it is revoked. Subdivisions 2 to 7 do not apply to a city the charter of which specifically prohibits or provides for a municipal primary.
- Subd. 3. Date. The municipal primary shall be held at a time designated by the governing body in the ordinance or resolution adopting the primary system, but no later than six weeks before the general election. The clerk shall give notice of the primary in the manner provided in section 205.16.

[For text of subds 4 to 7, see M.S.1986]

History: 1987 c 62 s 6,7

205.13 CANDIDATES, FILING.

Subdivision 1. Affidavit of candidacy. Not more than

- (1) eight nor less than six weeks in the case of a town, or
- (2) not more than ten nor less than eight weeks, in the case of a city,

before the municipal primary, or before the municipal general election if there is no municipal primary, an individual who is eligible and desires to become a candidate for an office to be voted for at the election shall file an affidavit of candidacy with the municipal clerk. The affidavit shall be in substantially the same form as that in section 204B.06, subdivision 1. The municipal clerk shall also accept an application signed by not less than five voters and filed on behalf of an eligible voter in the municipality whom they desire to be a candidate, if service of a copy of the application has been made on the candidate and proof of service is endorsed on the application being filed. Upon receipt of the proper filing fee, the clerk shall place the name of the candidate on the official ballot without partisan designation. The filing dates contained in this subdivision do not apply to any home rule charter city whose charter provides for earlier filing dates.

[For text of subds 2 to 6, see M.S.1986]

History: 1987 c 62 s 8