

Early voting for New Bedford's municipal election set

Early voting for the city's municipal election will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 23 at the city's main public library downtown, the Board of Election Commissioners announced.

Registered voters will be able to cast ballots that day, next Saturday, at the main facility for the New Bedford Free Public Library system, downtown at 613 Pleasant St.

New Bedford voters are casting ballots this year for the city's Assessor-at-Large, three of the six elected School Committee members, all five Councilors-at-Large and all six Ward Councilors.

Polling locations citywide will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 2.

Another option for voters looking to cast ballots ahead of Election Day is absentee ballots, which are available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday – Friday in the Election Office in City Hall, at 133 William St. Parents or family members can apply for an absentee ballot on behalf of children attending college out of town. Those ballots must be returned to the Election Office by 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 2.

The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot in the Election Office is noon Nov. 1. The office is in Room 114 on City Hall's first floor.

Anyone with questions on their voting status or polling location, or who would like to request an early or absentee ballot for themselves or a family member, can call the Board

of Elections at (508) 979-1420.