

ELECTION CHANGES AFFECTING YOU IN 2024

EARLY VOTING

Voters will have the right to cast a ballot in person for 9 days prior to Election Day, beginning the second Saturday before each election, up to the Sunday before each election. Our Early Voting Center will be located at the West Bloomfield Township Main Library and will be open for early voting, Sat-Fri 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. except Thursday the polls will be open noon – 8 p.m. This includes two weekends.

PERMANENT MAILED BALLOT

- Please note this is **different from the previous Permanent Absentee Ballot Application List** where you received an application for each election.
- You will automatically receive an absentee ballot, by mail, for every election you are eligible to vote in.
- You will be able to vote your absentee ballot at the Early Voting Center or in your polling location on Election Day. Based on statute, the effective date may be in time for the Presidential Primary but may not take effect until the August Primary.
- If you do move and register to vote somewhere else in the State of Michigan, your permanent ballot request will follow you to your new community.
- If you change your mind, you may submit a signed request to be removed from the list.

EXPANDED BALLOT TRACKING

The State of Michigan already provides for tracking of absentee ballots at <https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us/>.

This will be expanded to allow voters to request to be notified by text or email of the status of their absentee ballot. It will also be expanded to alert voters of any issues with their ballot and how to cure the deficiency.

BALLOT DROP BOX

There is an official ballot drop box in the circle drive. It is critical that you place your ballot in a ballot drop box exclusive to Sylvan Lake and not any ballot boxes outside the city limits. You can still bring your ballot to the City Hall. If you must rely on mail, allow time for your ballot to get to us. Ballot drop box will be available 24/7 beginning 40 days prior to an election. Drop boxes is secured and under 24 hour camera surveillance.