

MINNEAPOLIS

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Your Vote.

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City of Minneapolis Elections and Voter Services
vote.minneapolismn.gov

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Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services website:

One source for all information

1. Videos, handouts, references, translated materials
2. Links to Secretary of State:
 - Absentee Ballot Look Up (Track your absentee ballot)
 - Voter Registration Lookup
 - Polling Place Finder (Where to Vote)
 - My Sample Ballot

Additional Resources

- Minneapolis 311 (612-673-3000)
- Minneapolis 311 App
 - Android: <http://tinyurl.com/mplsand>
 - Apple: <http://tinyurl.com/mplsios>
-  www.facebook.com/votempls
-  www.twitter.com/votempls
-  www.youtube.com/cityofminneapolis
- Email: Elections@minneapolismn.gov



Election Results

The City provides the unofficial winners:

- Website: vote.minneapolismn.gov
- Information Center, City Hall Rotunda
- Social Media

MN Secretary of State results page:

- Displays the results of First, Second, and Third choice rankings.
- Results do not reflect RCV methodology to determine unofficial winners

Election Night Results

- Unofficial winners will be declared if the number of candidates who meet or exceed the **maximum possible threshold** is equal to the number of candidates to be elected to an office
- **Maximum possible threshold** is based on ballots cast for the FIRST choice ranking:
 - Number of votes for each candidate, write-ins, undervotes, and overvotes
- Offices where candidates have not received enough first choice votes of ballots cast will proceed to round by round tabulation the following day(s).

SAMPLE OF FIRST RANKED ELECTION NIGHT RESULTS

Scenario 1

No Election Night Winner

2013 Minneapolis Election Results:
City Council Ward 99
1 to be elected

	First ranked votes
Jupiter	493
Mercury	1997
Neptune	535
Saturn	941
Write-Ins	3
Undervotes/Overvotes	42
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	4011
Maximum possible threshold	2006

No candidates has received enough votes to be elected. Round-by-round tabulation will continue beginning 11/6/2013.

Scenario 2

Election Night Winner

2013 Minneapolis Election Results:
City Council Ward 99
1 to be elected

	First ranked votes
Jupiter	463
Mercury	2027
Neptune	535
Saturn	941
Write-Ins	3
Undervotes/Overvotes	42
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	4011
Maximum possible threshold	2006

Maximum possible threshold has been met.

Declared Winner: Mercury

SAMPLE OF FIRST RANKED ELECTION NIGHT RESULTS

Scenario 1

No Election Night Winners

2013 Minneapolis Election Results:
Board of Estimate & Taxation
2 to be elected

	First ranked votes
Jupiter	493
Mercury	1997
Neptune	535
Saturn	941
Write-Ins	3
Undervotes/Overvotes	42
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	4011
Maximum possible threshold	1338

Not all the seats for this race can be filled based on the first ranked votes. Round-by-round tabulation will continue beginning 11/6/2013.

Scenario 2

Election Night Winners

2013 Minneapolis Election Results:
Board of Estimate & Taxation
2 to be elected

	First ranked votes
Jupiter	63
Mercury	2027
Neptune	535
Saturn	1341
Write-Ins	3
Undervotes/Overvotes	42
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	4011
Maximum possible threshold	1338

Maximum possible threshold met by two candidates.

Declared Winners: Mercury & Saturn

SECRETARY OF STATE'S WEBSITE

COUNCIL MEMBER WARD-W-99 - 1st CHOICE (CITY OF Minneapolis-135)		Totals	Pct
Gas Giant Party	JUPITER	493	12.42
Rocky Party	MERCURY	1997	50.31
Far Out Park	NEPTUNE	535	13.48
Gas Giant Party	SATURN	941	23.71
Write-In	WRITE-IN**	3	0.08

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In some cases it will not be possible to declare a winner on Election Night even though the Secretary of State's website shows a candidate with 50% of the vote. The SOS site does not include undervotes and overvotes in its vote total. These ballots may have valid votes in the 2nd or 3rd rankings. A winner cannot be determined on Election Night without the inclusion of these ballots.

Next Day(s)

- Tabulation order of offices; as necessary
 - Mayor
 - Council Members: Order will be drawn at the Public Accuracy Test
 - Board of Estimate and Taxation
 - Park and Recreation Board At-Large
 - Park and Recreation Board Districts: Order will be drawn at the Public Accuracy Test

Round by Round Tabulation

- Establish **threshold** based on votes cast
- Write-in votes are tabulated as group instead of individually
- New equipment eliminates need for hand-count and data entry steps
 - Cast Vote Record file contains the votes cast for each three choice combination of candidates on each ballot cast
- Use of an Excel worksheet mimics hand counting
 - Sorting and counting the data electronically is faster than by hand, but duplicates the process.

Voter Services

Absentee Voting: Now to November 4, 2013

- In-person at City Hall
- Saturday November 2nd 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

English as Second Language Options

- Translated materials available
- Translated signage at the polls
- Election judge with language support (availability posted)
- 311: Language support line
- AutoMARK: ballot read aloud in English

Reference Materials

- A voter may bring any materials including a sample ballot into the voting booth when voting. (Please take home with you)

Mailer to every household

- Voter Information Guide
- City ward and precinct map with polling locations
- Sample ballot

Voter Assistance

- Voters may bring person of their choice; at the polls and City Hall if absentee voting
- Individual persons (excluding election judges) may help vote a ballot for no more than three voters.
 - Vote = filling in the ovals and/or present in the voting booth
- Voter may request assistance to vote ballot by two Election Judges of different political parties

On Election Day

Call 311 (612-673-3000)

- All calls are tracked
- Calls will be forwarded to Election Headquarters as needed
- Priority calls will be addressed by City or Assistant City Clerk

Election Day Proof of Residence

- A voucher may vouch up to **8** voters

Respecting Voters

Activity Near a Polling Place No Campaigning

- Within 100 feet of the building or on public property (park, school, library, public housing) on which a polling place is situated

Activity In a Polling Place

- Only Voters and Election Officials
- Media
 - Present photo ID and media credentials to Head Election Judge
 - May not interfere with the voting process
 - Must be six feet away from voters, voting stations and ballot counter
 - Interviews with voters conducted at least 100 feet away from the building where the voting is occurring

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