2020 Municipal Election Information for the City of Cortez

Date of Election:

1st Tuesday after the first Monday in April

(April 7, 2020)

City Council Seats Open:

Three (3) Vacancies with four-year terms

Two (2) Vacancies with two-year terms

Mail Ballot Election:

City Hall, located at 123 Roger Smith Avenue,

will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Election Day

for citizens to drop off their ballot.

Any person that may have moved or is unsure they are a registered voter in the City of Cortez should call the Montezuma County Clerk at 565-3728 to confirm their voter status. Qualifications of municipal electors are that a person must be eighteen years of age, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the municipality and has resided in the State of Colorado for 22 days immediately preceding the election. In order to vote in a Municipal Election, a person must be a registered elector and may register up to and including election day.

Councilmembers remaining through 2022: Mike Lavey and Orly Lucero

Councilmember Seats Open: Jill Carlson (resigned positon December 2019,

two year term remaining)

Ty Keel (term limited, completed second term.

Elected April 2016, four year term and

Elected April 2012, four year term)

Karen Sheek (term limited, completed second term.

Elected April 2016, four year term, Elected April 2012, four year term, and

Appointed October 2011)

Sue Betts (Elected April 2018, two year term) Gary Noyes (Elected April 2018, two year term)

Candidates for the 2020 Municipal Election must be a registered elector, 21 years of age or older, and have been a resident of the City of Cortez for 12 consecutive months preceding the date of the election.

Nomination Petitions must contain at least 25 signatures as follows:

Signers must be registered to vote;

Signers must be 18 years of age or older;

Signers must list residence address. Signatures bearing other than a City

Street will be purged; and

Signers may sign no more than five petitions.

ELECTION CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 7, 2020 - Regular Municipal Election

Tuesday, January 7	First day to circulate nomination petitions
Friday, January 17	Declaration of Candidacy Form due (in FCPA Packet) (10 days after filing to become a candidate)
Monday, January 27	Deadline for returning nominating petitions by 5:00 p.m.
Monday, February 3	Last day to withdraw nomination petitions 5:00 p.m., candidate names drawn for placement on ballot
Tuesday, February 18	Staff/Council Introductions and Presentations 5:30 p.m., at City Hall, 123 Roger Smith Avenue, Cortez
Tuesday, March 17	First Fair Campaign Practices Act report due
Friday, April 3	Second Fair Campaign Practices Act report due
Tuesday, April 7 Results of Election w	ELECTION DAY Ballots will be received between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Election Day at City Hall, 123 Roger Smith Avenue, Cortez ill be Announced at City Hall following final count by
County	
Thursday, April 23	Sam Light, CIRSA Representative, will Host an Elected Officials Worksession
Tuesday, April 28	Oath of Office administered at regular City Council meeting to newly elected Councilmembers

Final Fair Campaign Practices Act Report due if all monies have been expended

Calendar does not include:

Thursday, May 5

- any forums that may be held for the candidates
- a Candidate orientation with City staff