

# FAIRFAX CITY DEMOCRATS

## CITY OF FAIRFAX DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE CALL TO CAUCUS FOR ENDORSEMENT OF NONPARTISAN OFFICES IN THE 2024 ELECTION (CITY COUNCIL & MAYOR)

1. **Call.** Pursuant to the Democratic Party of Virginia Party Plan (“the Party Plan”), the City of Fairfax Democratic Committee (“the Committee” or “CFDC”) hereby calls an unassembled Caucus for the sole purpose of selecting endorsees for non-partisan elected offices in the City of Fairfax for the 2024 General Election.
2. **Caucus Rules, Forms, and Information.** Caucus rules will be posted, along with pertinent forms and information about the endorsement process, at the City of Fairfax Democratic Committee website ([CityFairfaxDems.com/endorsements](https://CityFairfaxDems.com/endorsements)). Any changes to the Caucus rules will be updated at this location.
3. **General Participation Requirements.** Each voter in the caucus must be a member of CFDC. Membership requires that you are a qualified voter in the City of Fairfax at the time of your participation. You must also have signed the CFDC Declaration of Candidacy for Committee Membership form, paid dues, and been approved by the membership. No voter in the Caucus may intend to support any candidate who is opposed to the Democratic endorsees. **Voters who intend to participate in the Caucus must submit a complete application for membership by May 29, 2024, at 11:59 pm EDT.** More information about membership and the applicable form can be found at [CityFairfaxDems.com/membership](https://CityFairfaxDems.com/membership).
4. **Voting.** Qualified participants may participate in this caucus by voting **on June 29, 2024, from 2-4 pm**. The location of the caucus shall be announced at [CityFairfaxDems.com/endorsements](https://CityFairfaxDems.com/endorsements) no later than May 1st. Participants in line at 4 pm will be allowed to participate. Voters who are not able to vote in person on June 29 shall notify the Chair of their request to vote absentee no later than the June 6 regular CFDC meeting.
5. **Candidate Requirements.** Each candidate must be eligible for the office where endorsement is sought and have filed all necessary paperwork to appear on the ballot according to state law. Additionally, candidates must submit to the Committee a **completed application for endorsement no later than 11:59 pm on June 18, 2024.** A candidate’s completed application form indicates understanding and agreement:

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- that completion and submission of the application does not guarantee that any endorsement shall be provided; that endorsement is granted at the sole discretion of CFDC and may be withdrawn upon a vote at a duly called meeting of the full committee;
- to adhere to the rules and procedures governing the selection process for candidates seeking endorsement by CFDC for this election; and
- to adhere to all expectations of endorsed candidates outlined in the candidate endorsement application.

**7. Benefits of Endorsement.** The candidates receiving endorsement as a result of this process are the Democratic endorsees, and it will be the responsibility of CFDC to work toward their election. Endorsed candidates are entitled to the following benefits:

- Authorization to include “Endorsed by the City of Fairfax Democratic Committee” and/or “Endorsed by the Fairfax City Democrats” on campaign materials;
- Inclusion on the Democratic sample ballot and other coordinated campaign materials as may be developed;
- Promotion of campaign events and candidate website through the CFDC calendar, website, emails, and social media;
- Possible campaign contributions from CFDC; and
- Authorization to establish a VAN account with access to Democratic Party scores and information.

For questions about the caucus, to request any accommodation necessary to ensure full participation, or to file an application for endorsement, please contact CFDC at [information.cfdc@gmail.com](mailto:information.cfdc@gmail.com).

*Adopted by CFDC, April 4, 2024.*