
LOS ANGELES CITY ETHICS COMMISSION

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**FUNDRAISING WINDOW FOR POSSIBLE
SPECIAL ELECTION IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 15**

The fundraising window for a possible special election in Council District 15 will open once the City Council adopts an ordinance calling for such an election. A special election may be called to fill the vacancy resulting from Councilmember Janice Hahn's election to the 36th Congressional District.

The City Charter specifies that vacancies in elected City offices are to be filled by the City Council through an appointment or through a special election. In keeping with the City's customary practice regarding vacancies, the City Clerk has submitted a proposal to the City Council to give them the option of calling a special election for Council District 15. The proposal recommends that a special primary election be held on November 8, 2011, and that a special general election (if one is necessary) be held on January 17, 2012. If the City Council decides to call a special election, they may vote to do so as early as next week.

Candidates in City elections must file fundraising documents with the Ethics Commission before soliciting or receiving contributions on behalf of their campaigns. Once the fundraising window has opened, individuals who are interested in running for Council District 15 should contact the Ethics Commission for assistance with filing the necessary paperwork.

The City Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.