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November 3, 2020 Election Voter Information

The voting period for the November 3, 2020 Election began Monday, October 5, 2020. Voters registered in San Mateo County can vote at any [Vote Center Location](#) in San Mateo County or drop their mail-in ballot off at any [Ballot Drop Box Location](#) in San Mateo County (*see attached images for locations nearest you*).

Vote by Mail Ballots Mailed

Vote by Mail ballots were mailed out the first week of October to all registered voters in San Mateo County. Voters can confirm their current registration status online at www.smcvote.org by clicking on the “[My Election Info](#)” button.

Voters are encouraged to check the status of their ballot by signing up for alerts at any of the links below:

1. “Where’s My Ballot?” from when it is sent to you until it is received and counted. Sign up at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov
2. [My Election Info](#) on www.smcvote.org to confirm when the San Mateo County Registration & Elections Division received and accepted your voted ballot.

Returning Your Vote by Mail Ballot

Voted ballots can be mailed in the POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE provided. Mailed ballots postmarked on or before Election Day, November 3, 2020 will be accepted if received by November 20, 2020. Alternately, voted ballots may be dropped in any one of the Ballot Drop Box Locations in San Mateo County. A Ballot Drop Box is located outside of Pacifica City Hall at 170 Santa Maria Avenue, and is available 24/7 until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day November 3, 2020. Ballot Drop Boxes are secure and serviced directly by San Mateo County Elections staff. Elections Staff have recently increased the frequency of pickups from the Ballot Drop Box location at Pacifica City Hall to three days per week, with pickups now scheduled on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning October 16.

Vote Center locations open beginning October 5:

- San Mateo Registration & Elections Division, 40 Tower Road, San Mateo
- Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder, 555 County Center, 1st Floor, Redwood City
- South San Francisco Main Library, 840 West Orange Avenue, South San Francisco

Until October 30, Vote Centers at the above three locations operate on weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Avoid long lines and visit one of these early Vote Center locations.

Additional Vote Center locations open beginning October 31:

On Saturday, October 31, an additional 42 Vote Centers will open, including two Vote Centers located in Pacifica: one at **St. Peter's Parish**, 700 Oddstad Boulevard and one at **Pacifica City Council Chambers**, 2212 Beach Boulevard. A full list of Vote Center locations can be found online at www.smcvote.org and select "Vote Center Locations." Keep in mind that a Vote Center nearest your home may be located outside of Pacifica boundaries. Voters may receive voting services at any Vote Center location in San Mateo County.

Hours of operation for all Vote Centers beginning October 31 are as follows:

- Saturday, October 31, 2020, through Monday, November 2, 2020
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Daily)
- Tuesday, November 3, 2020 (Election Day)
7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

November 3, 2020 Presidential General Election – COVID-19 Prepared

All Vote Centers comply with San Mateo County Health Department and CDC COVID-19 safety standards. Voters are expected to wear masks and adhere to all social distancing requirements. For more information on the November 3, 2020 Presidential General Election, please call 650-312-5222, visit www.smcvote.org or follow SMC Vote on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) @smcvote. The Registration & Elections Division also offers a toll-free hotline, 888-SMC-VOTE (888-762-8683), to assist voters in any language. Keep in mind that wait times for entry into Vote Centers are anticipated to be longer on and close to Election Day, November 3, due to the COVID-19 safety standards in place. Voters opting to vote or receive services in-person at a Vote Center are encouraged to vote early and visit during non-peak times.

General Municipal Election for the City of Pacifica – District Based Elections

The next General Municipal Election for the City of Pacifica will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. This will be the first election in the City of Pacifica held with a district-based system for the election of members of the City Council. Under a district-based elections system, voters will elect a City Council Member based on the district in which the voter and candidates are registered to vote. City Council seats in Districts 1 and 4 are up for election in this November 2020 election.

If you do not see City Council Candidates listed on your ballot, it may be because you reside in District 2, 3 or 5. City Council seats for Districts 2, 3 and 5 will be up for election in November 2022. Check the District Map to confirm your district, and keep in mind that district boundaries may intersect some streets so that your neighbor "down the street" or across the street may be in a different district than you if you reside close to a district boundary.

For more information about district elections in the City of Pacifica, visit the [District Based City Council Elections webpage](#) on the City of Pacifica website at www.cityofpacifica.org (follow City Government → City Council → Districting). To find out in which district you reside, use the Interactive Map on the District Based City Council Elections webpage.

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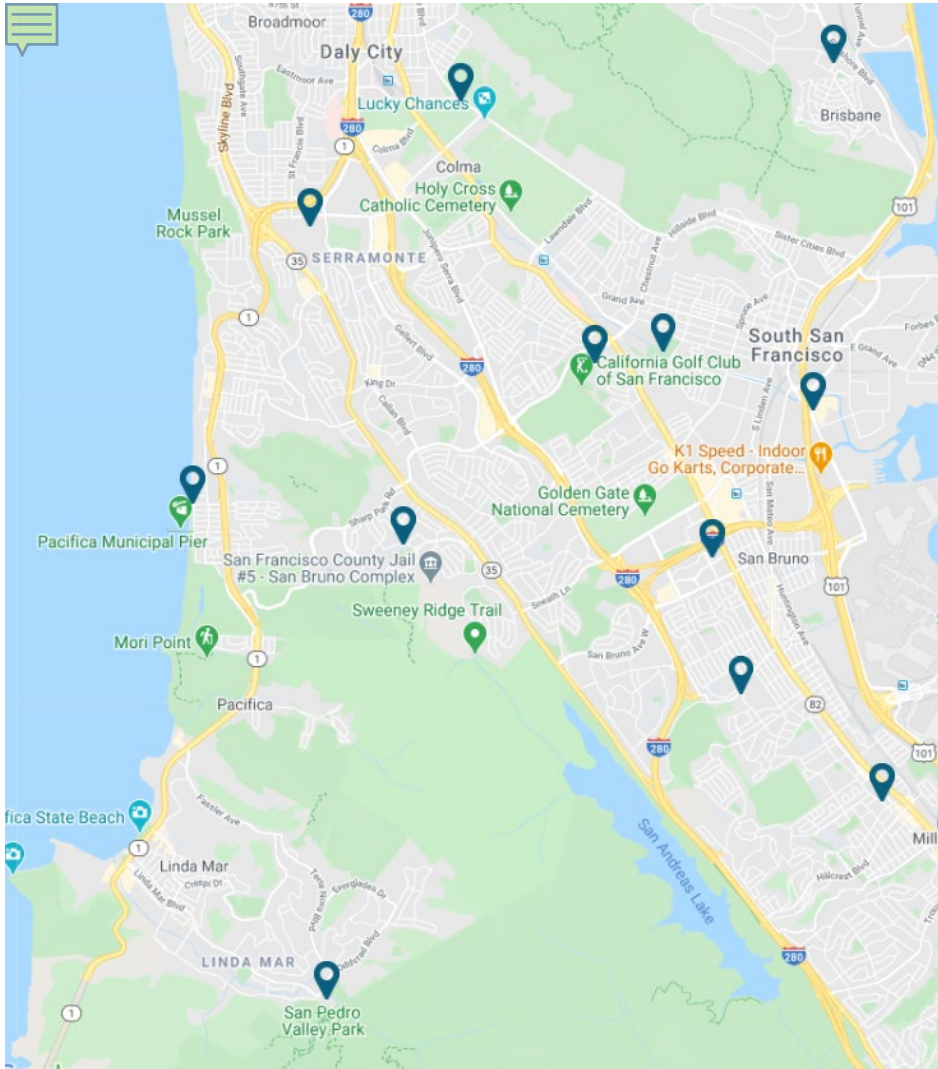
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Attachments:

Image 1 – Vote Center Locations in/near Pacifica
List of Links Used

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- Vote Center Location - <https://www.smcacre.org/vote/all/centers>
- Ballot Drop Box Location - <https://www.smcacre.org/vote/all/ballots>
- My Election Info - <https://www.smcacre.org/am-i-registered-vote-ballot-tracking>
- SMC Vote Twitter - <https://twitter.com/smcvote>
- SMC Vote Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/smcvote/?hl=en>
- District Based City Council Elections webpage - https://www.cityofpacifica.org/government/clerk/district_based_city_council_elections.asp

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