

**Fair Political Practices Commission
City General Purpose Recipient Committees
City Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees
Making Contributions or Independent Expenditures Only in Connection with April 10, 2012 Local Elections**

Deadline	Period	Form	Notes
Jan 31, 2012 <i>Semi- Annual</i>	thru - 12/31/11	450, 460 or 461	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General Purpose Recipient Committees: This report is required on a Form 450 or Form 460. ▪ Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees: File only if contributions or independent expenditures are made after June 30, 2011 using Form 461. ▪ A Form 465 may be required if an independent expenditure was made.
Mar 1, 2012 <i>Pre-Election</i>	1/1/12 - 2/25/12	450, 460 or 461 & possibly 465	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pre-Election Reports - File if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more are made. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ General Purpose Recipient Committees: Use Form 450 or Form 460. ◦ Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees: Use Form 461. ▪ 465: File if independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more are made.
Mar 29, 2012 <i>Pre-Election</i>	2/26/12 - 3/24/12	450, 460 or 461 & possibly 465	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pre-Election Reports - File if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more are made. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ General Purpose Recipient Committees: Use Form 450 or Form 460. ◦ Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees: Use Form 461. ▪ 465: File if independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more are made. File by personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service.
Within 24 Hours <i>16-Day Reports</i>	3/25/12 - 4/9/12	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 496: File if independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more are made. ▪ 497: File if contributions of \$1,000 or more are made in connection with a candidate or measure or made to a political party committee. ▪ Deadlines: File within 24 hours except the deadline for a Form 497 reporting a contribution received on March 25 is March 26, and the deadline for a Form 497 due March 31 or April 1, is extended to April 2. ▪ File by personal delivery, guaranteed overnight service, or fax.
Jul 31, 2012 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	thru - 6/30/12	450, 460 or 461 & possibly 465	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General Purpose Recipient Committees: This report is required on a Form 450 or Form 460. ▪ Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees: Use Form 461. ▪ 465: File if independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more are made from March 25 through April 9.
Jan 31, 2013 <i>Semi-Annual</i>	thru - 12/31/12	450, 460 or 461 & possibly 465	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ General Purpose Recipient Committees: This report is required on a Form 450 or Form 460. ▪ Major Donor and Independent Expenditure Committees: Use Form 461. File only if contributions or independent expenditures are made after June 30. ▪ 465: File if independent expenditures totaling \$1,000 or more are made.

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- **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- **[511](#) - Paid Spokesperson Report:** All committees must file within 10 days of making an expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to an individual to appear in an advertisement to support or oppose a ballot measure.
- **Method of Delivery:** All paper filings are to be filed by personal delivery or first class mail unless otherwise noted.
- **Filing Deadlines:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. This extension does not apply to Form 497 due April 7 or April 8, 2012, or any Form 496 report. Such reports must be filed within 24 hours regardless of the day of the week. Late statements are subject to a \$10 per day late fine.
- **Other Election Activity:** Contributions or independent expenditures made in support of or opposition to county or state candidates, political parties and committees may trigger reporting as a county or state committee rather than as a city committee. County and State committees have different filing obligations. See FPPC Regulation 18247.5 or contact the FPPC for guidance.
- Local jurisdictions may impose contribution limits and additional filing requirements.
- All statements are public documents.
- For important information refer to www.fppc.ca.gov and click on the Candidates and Committees section. Major Donor committees use [Campaign Disclosure Manual 5](#), and Independent Expenditure committees use [Campaign Disclosure Manual 6](#), or [contact the FPPC](#) for specific information.