

Year	# of ALW contests	# WD contests	All contests (inclu spec elct)	open seats (NOT inclu spec elct)	open seat walk in*	# of incumbents	# incumbents contested	number incumbents defeated	seat turnover (inclu spec elct)	3-yr rolling avg turnover	special electns	deaths mid term or resign	no contest ALW	no contest WD	seats	Percent turnover	Percent walk-in	Percent incumbnt defeated	Percent con-tested
2015	5	1	7	0	0	24	6	1	2	3.3	1	1	11	7	24	8.3%	0.0%	4.2%	28.0%
2013	1	2	3	4	3	20	2	0	5	4.3	1	1	15	6	24	20.8%	12.5%	0.0%	12.0%
2011	3	0	3	2	1	22	2	1	3	4.0	0	0	13	8	24	12.5%	4.2%	4.2%	12.5%
2009	3	2	5	4	1	20	2	1	5	4.3	0	0	13	6	24	20.8%	4.2%	4.2%	20.8%
2007	5	1	6	2	0	22	4	2	4	4.0	0	0	11	7	24	16.7%	0.0%	8.3%	25.0%
2005	5	1	7	3	1	21	4	0	4	4.0	1	1	11	7	24	16.7%	4.2%	0.0%	28.0%
2003	9	3	13	2	0	22	10	1	4	3.0	1	1	7	5	24	16.7%	0.0%	4.2%	52.0%
2001	6	3	9	2	0	22	7	2	4	2.7	0	1	10	5	24	16.7%	0.0%	8.3%	37.5%
1999	2	0	2	1	0	23	1	0	1	3.0	0	0	14	8	24	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	8.3%
1997	4	2	7	1	0	23	5	1	3	4.7	1	1	12	6	24	12.5%	0.0%	4.2%	28.0%
1995	6	2	8	4	2	20	6	1	5	5.7	0	0	10	6	24	20.8%	8.3%	4.2%	33.3%
1993	2	3	5	6	3	18	2	0	6	5.7	0	0	14	5	24	25.0%	12.5%	0.0%	20.8%
1991	8	2	10	5	0	19	5	1	6	7.3	0	0	8	6	24	25.0%	0.0%	4.2%	41.7%
1989	4	2	6	4	1	20	3	1	5	6.7	0	0	12	6	24	20.8%	4.2%	4.2%	25.0%
1987	7	3	11	10	4	14	4	0	11	7.3	1	1	9	5	24	45.8%	16.7%	0.0%	44.0%
1985	5	1	7	2	0	22	4	1	4	6.3	1	1	11	7	24	16.7%	0.0%	4.2%	28.0%
1983	6	4	10	6	0	18	4	1	7	6.3	0	0	10	4	24	29.2%	0.0%	4.2%	41.7%
1981	6	4	10	4	1	20	7	4	8	6.7	0	0	10	4	24	33.3%	4.2%	16.7%	41.7%
1979	7	2	9	4	0	20	5	0	4	6.3	0	0	9	6	24	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	37.5%
1977	10	6	16	6	0	18	10	2	8	6.7	0	0	6	2	24	33.3%	0.0%	8.3%	66.7%
1975	11	3	14	6	0	18	8	1	7	6.0	0	0	5	5	24	29.2%	0.0%	4.2%	58.3%
1973	7	4	11	4	1	20	8	1	5	6.3	0	0	9	4	24	20.8%	4.2%	4.2%	45.8%
1971	9	5	14	5	0	19	9	1	6	6.7	0	0	7	3	24	25.0%	0.0%	4.2%	58.3%
1969	8	5	13	8	1	16	6	0	8	7.0	0	0	8	3	24	33.3%	4.2%	0.0%	54.2%
1967	12	2	14	6	0	18	8	0	6	7.3	0	0	4	6	24	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	58.3%
1965	9	4	13	7	1	17	7	0	7	7.0	0	0	6	4	24	29.2%	4.2%	0.0%	54.2%
1963	9	5	14	9	3	15	8	0	9	6.0	0	0	7	3	24	37.5%	12.5%	0.0%	58.3%
1961	3	6	9	5	1	19	5	0	5	6.3	0	0	13	2	24	20.8%	4.2%	0.0%	37.5%
1959	6	1	7	4	4	20	7	0	4	7.0	0	0	10	7	24	16.7%	16.7%	0.0%	29.2%
1957	7	4	11	8	0	16	3	2	10	9.7	0	0	9	4	24	41.7%	0.0%	8.3%	45.8%
1955	5	2	7	6	3	15	4	1	7	8.3	0	0	9	5	21	33.3%	14.3%	4.8%	33.3%
1953	5	6	11	12	1	9	0	0	12		0	0	9	1	21	57.1%	4.8%	0.0%	52.4%
1951	7	2	9	6	3	15	6	0	6		0	0	7	5	21	28.6%	14.3%	0.0%	42.9%
	202	93	301	158	35	625	172	26	191		7	8	319	168	783				

2013 open seat walk in adjusted to include the only uncontested special election

Turnover of seats		
	number	percent
1995-2015	40	14.9%
1973-1993	71	26.7%
1951-1971	80	31.4%

	Percent		
	incmbnts	contested incmbnts	Incmbnts contested
1995-2015	239	49	20.5%
1973-1993	207	60	29.0%
1951-1971	179	63	35.2%

Notes Re Methods & Assumptions
 Three people running for 2 at-large seats is counted as one contest. Four people running is counted as 2 contests.

 To simplify calculating length of service, only terms flowing from traditional Nov. municipal elections are included and it is assumed all terms are completed.

 An attempt has been made to include in turnover and contested seat data the impact of mid term changes in councilors for all such events since effective date of 1971 charter

 The historical rates for incumbent councilors being defeated do not reflect probabilities, but underscore both the reluctance of challengers to run against incumbents and the difficulty of successfully defeating a seated elected official.

	contested seats	cntstd	total	
1995-2015		70	269	26.0%
1973-1993		109	266	41.0%
1951-1971		122	255	47.8%

	contested incumbents	% defeated
1995-2015	49	20.4%
1973-1993	60	20.0%
1951-1971	63	6.3%

percent of seats open			
1995-2015	25	269	9.3%
1973-1993	57	266	21.4%
1951-1971	76	255	29.8%

Historical Rate of Incumbent Councilor Being defeated	
1995-2015	4.2%
1973-1993	5.8%
1951-1971	2.2%

percent of open seats no contest			
1995-2015	8	25	32.0%
1973-1993	10	57	17.5%
1951-1971	17	76	22.4%

Length of City Councilor Tenure Years: Selected Years 1951-2015

	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean		
2015	9.0	12.0	1987	6.0	8.4	1959	6.0	6.5
2013	11.0	11.8	1985	7.0	9.5	1957	6.0	5.7
2011	10.0	11.8	1983	8.0	8.7	1955	4.0	5.8
2009	8.0	10.8	1981	6.0	8.1	1953	2.0	4.5
2007	9.0	12.7	1979	6.0	8.2	1951	6.0	5.3

33 elections 3 with 7 wards and 30 with 8 wards

30	3	
8	7	
240	21	261

261 ward seats 1951 to 2015
 522 ALW seats 1951 to 2015

Open City Council Seats in Selected Years					
	Open Seats		Open Seats		Open Seats
2015	0	1987	10	1959	4
2013	4	1985	2	1957	8
2011	2	1983	6	1955	6
2009	4	1981	4	1953	12
2007	2	1979	4	1951	6
	<u>12</u>		<u>26</u>		<u>36</u>