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Voters Urged to Check Their Registration Now for November General Election

October 10, 2016 - With the election just several weeks away, Beloit City Clerk Lori Stottler is urging local voters to make sure they are properly registered for the November 8, 2016 General Election. The lines to register on Election Day could be long if everyone waits until the last minute and it would be upsetting to find yourself in the wrong place or with insufficient documentation. An ounce of prevention to make certain you're registered at your proper polling place can save a voter a lot of time and energy.

“If you take just a few minutes to go online to the state’s MyVote.WI.gov website, you can make sure you are registered to vote at your current address, and know where to go on Election Day,” said Stottler. If voters believe they are registered and do not find themselves listed in the MyVote.WI.gov site, please call the Clerk’s office so we can help investigate – often we have an incorrect date of birth or misspelled name on file.

“In less than two minutes, you can go to MyVote.WI.gov, find your polling place location and see what will be on your ballot,” Stottler said. “If you are not registered or you need to update your name or address, you can start the process online.”

“If you don’t have Internet access, just give my office a call at (608)364-6680 or stop by the office at 100 State Street, 2nd Floor, and we will be happy to help you.”

City Clerk Stottler reminded voters that Wednesday, October 19, 2016 is the deadline to register to vote by mail, including the voter registration form they get when they use MyVote Wisconsin. All mail-in voter registration applications must be postmarked by October 19. Starting on October 20, all voter registrations must be done in the clerk’s office or at the polling place on Election Day.

Every voter registration must be accompanied by a document for proof of residence. This can be a driver license or state ID with a current address, a recent utility bill or bank statement, or a lease or property tax bill. A complete list of proof-of-residence documents is available online: <http://gab.wi.gov/publications/voter-guides/proof-of-residence>.

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