



Democracy Voucher Program – 2023 Candidate Debate/Forum Self-Reporting

Purpose: Candidates entering the Democracy Voucher Program agree to participate in at least three debates each for the primary and general elections. SMC 2.04.630.B.1.

The Seattle Elections Code Administrative Rule 16, found at <http://clerk.ci.seattle.wa.us/search/seec-resources/>, defines a debate as a live event, open to the general public, at which (at least) all candidates who show minimal public support have an opportunity to respond to questions. Each candidate must be given an equal opportunity to participate. Events may be in-person or remote.

To show minimal public support, a candidate's campaign reports filed with the Commission must show no fewer than the following number of contributors 72 hours prior to the debate:

- Mayor: 100
- At-large City Councilmember: 50
- District City Councilmember: 25
- City Attorney: 50

Penalties for failing to meet the debate requirements may include fines and/or disqualification from the program.

Reporting: Candidates are encouraged to report as soon as possible but **no later than the Friday following the election week**. Candidates may report all events on a single form or turn in multiple forms over time.

I affirm that I participated in the event(s) listed below:

Event 1 Event date

Event 2 Event date

Event 3 Event date

Candidate's name

Candidate's signature Date signed

To return this form:

1. Send an image of this signed form to:
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2. Send by mail to:
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