

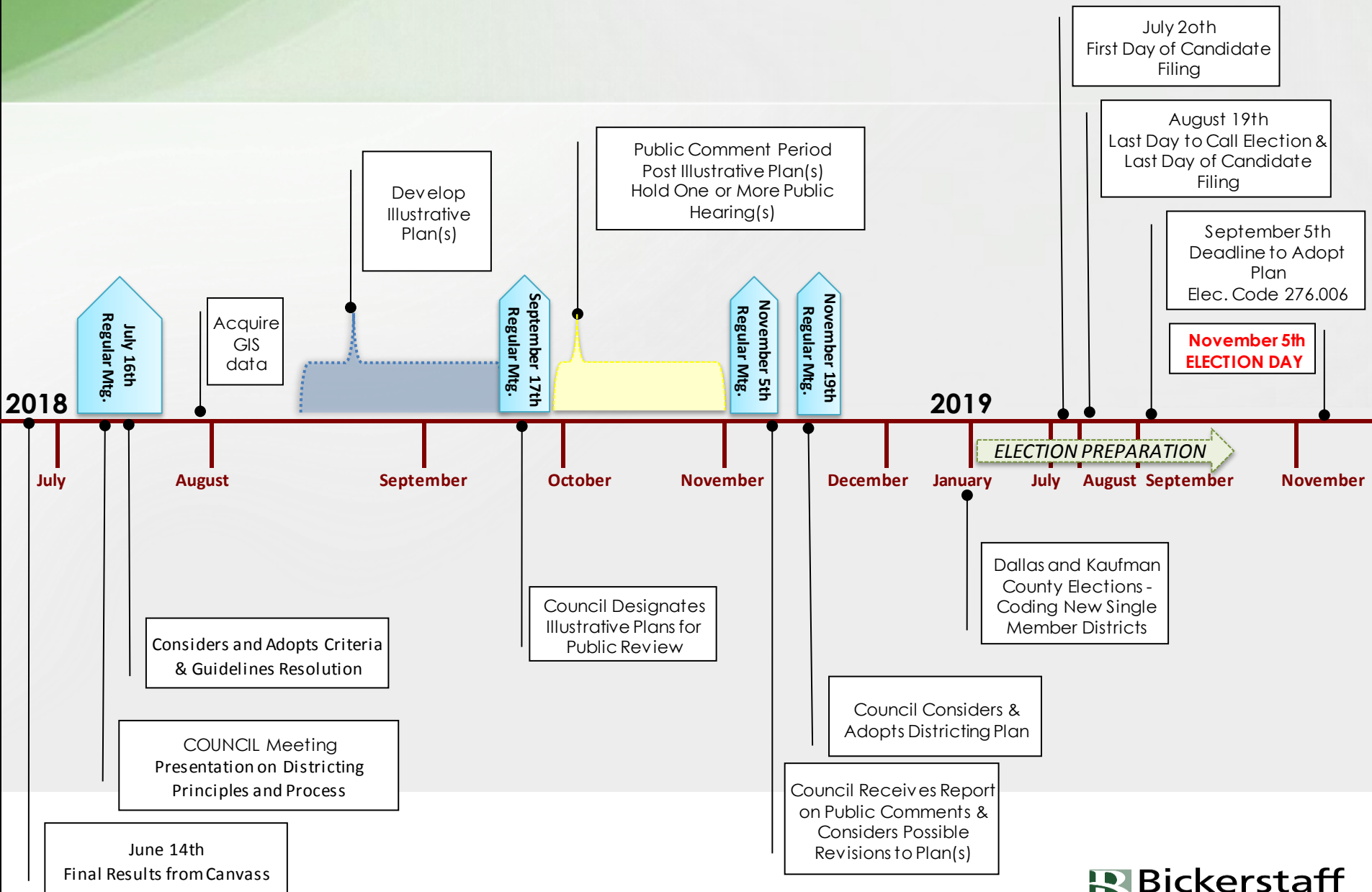


City of Mesquite

2018 Districting City Council Districts

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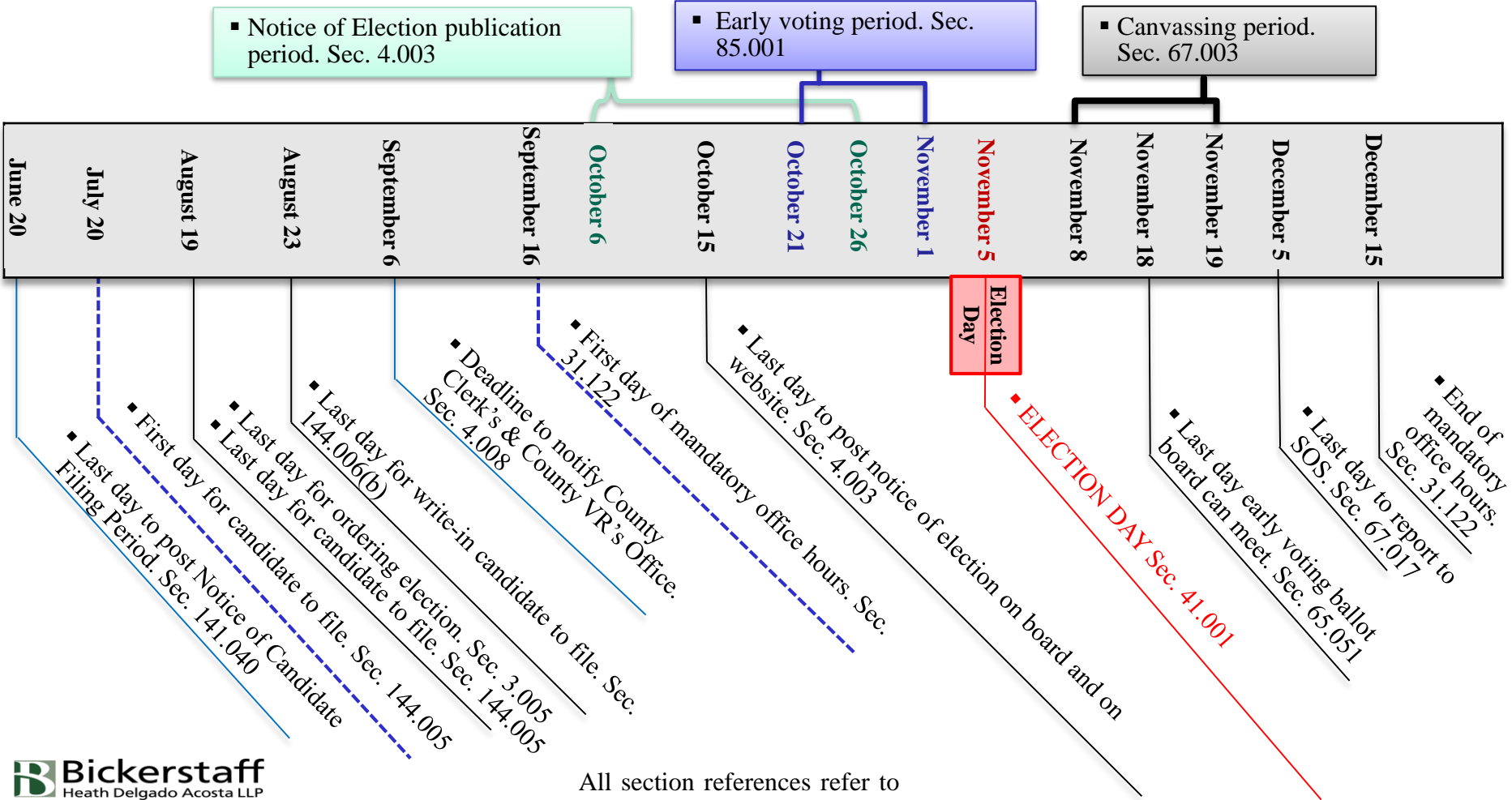
City of Mesquite Time Line for 2018 Districting Process



Regular meeting dates based upon the first and third Monday of each month

Timeline for General Election Process

November 5, 2019



All section references refer to the Texas Election Code.

Redistricting Criteria

- Where possible, use easily identifiable geographic boundaries
- Facilitate practical voting precincts and adequate facilities for polling places
- Districts configured to be relatively equal in total population based on the 2010 census and any adjustments to that data.
- Deviation should not exceed 10%

Redistricting Criteria

- Design compact and contiguous districts
- Narrowly tailor the plan to address VRA considerations
- Avoid fragmenting any geographically compact minority community or packing minority voters

Redistricting Guidelines

Proposed Plans:

- Submitted in writing and be legible
- Show all demographic and racial categories based upon the 2010 Census or, if possible, updated data developed by the City
- Plans should redistrict the entire City of Mesquite
- Plans should conform to the criteria
- Comments must be submitted in writing and be legible
- Comments and proposed plans must include person's full name and home address and provide a phone number and, if available, an email address
- All comments and proposed plans must be submitted to the City Council by the close of the public hearings

Next Steps

- Present illustrative plan to Council*
(September 17th)
- Public input process
(October 16th and 18th)
- Finalize plan and adopt
(November 19th)



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