

Official Recall Information, Tuscon Example

City of Tucson Recall Information Page

Basic Steps

1. File a recall affidavit with the City Clerk identifying the official to be recalled and stating the grounds for recall (up to 200 words).
2. Obtain the official recall petition forms from the City Clerk. Only petitions issued by the Clerk may be circulated.
3. File any required political committee paperwork before conducting recall activities.
4. Collect the required number of valid signatures within the allowed circulation period. Tucson generally requires signatures equal to 25% of the votes cast for that office in the last election.
5. Submit the petitions for verification. If enough valid signatures are verified, the official may resign or face a recall election.

Contact the City Clerk

- Phone: (520) 791-4213
- Email: cityclerk@tucsonaz.gov

The City Clerk's Office provides the recall packet, forms, and instructions and can schedule a meeting to review the requirements.

Specific recall affidavit form and draft a legally neutral 200-word statement of grounds for a Tucson mayor recall petition.

City of Tucson Recall Information

<https://www.tucsonaz.gov/Departments/Clerks/Elections/Initiative-Referendum-and-Recall-Information>

Tucson City Charter – Recall Procedures

https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/tucson/latest/tucson_az/0-0-0-29612

Tucson City Clerk's Office

<https://www.tucsonaz.gov/Departments/Clerks>

Arizona Secretary of State – Recall Handbook and Information

<https://azsos.gov/elections/election-information/recall>

Arizona Recall Petition Information

<https://azsos.gov/elections/election-information/recall/recall-petitions>

Contact Information

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Tucson, AZ 85701

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The first step is generally to contact the City Clerk and request the official recall packet, affidavit forms, signature requirements, and filing instructions. Signatures collected before the proper paperwork is issued are typically not valid for a recall effort.

Steps:

Contact the Tucson City Clerk and request the official recall packet.

- Review the signature requirements and filing deadlines carefully.
- Ensure all petition language and procedures comply with Arizona and Tucson election laws.
- Keep thorough records of all filings, signatures, and communications.

Affidavit:

The City of Tucson does **not appear to provide a downloadable recall affidavit form online**. Instead, Tucson law requires that a qualified elector submit an affidavit to the City Clerk containing:

- The name of the official to be recalled
- A general statement of grounds (maximum 200 words)
- The names and residence addresses of three endorsing petitioners who will serve as contacts for the recall effort ([American Legal Publishing](#))

After the affidavit is submitted, the City Clerk issues the official recall petitions. Only petition forms printed and issued by the Clerk may be circulated. ([American Legal Publishing](#))

Qualified Elector:

A **qualified elector** is generally a person who is legally eligible to vote in the election related to the petition.

For a Tucson mayoral recall, that typically means the person:

- Is a **United States citizen**
- Is at least **18 years old**
- Is a resident of the **City of Tucson**
- Is registered to vote in Arizona
- Is registered at an address within the City of Tucson

- Has not lost voting rights due to a legal disqualification that has not been restored

In Arizona, recall petition signers, recall petition circulators (in many cases), and the individuals filing the recall affidavit generally must meet the applicable elector requirements. The City Clerk can verify the exact qualifications for a municipal recall.

Check Your Arizona Voter Registration

<https://my.arizona.vote/WhereToVote.aspx?s=individual>

Arizona Secretary of State Elections Information

<https://azsos.gov/elections>

Tucson City Clerk Elections Information

<https://www.tucsonaz.gov/Departments/Clerks/Elections>

Oro Valley residents outside of Tucson city limits, may not be a qualified elector for a Tucson municipal recall. The determining factor is whether they are registered to vote at an address located inside the City of Tucson. You can verify that through your voter registration record or by contacting the City Clerk.

Sample Recall Affidavit

AFFIDAVIT TO CIRCULATE RECALL PETITIONS

To: Tucson City Clerk

I, _____, a qualified elector of the City of Tucson, Arizona, hereby submit this affidavit seeking the recall of:

Name of Officer: _____

Office Held: Mayor, City of Tucson

Grounds for Recall (200 words or fewer):

Endorsing Petitioners:

1. Name: _____

Address: _____

2. Name: _____

Address: _____

3. Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Notary (if required by the Clerk): _____

Before filing anything, I would strongly recommend calling the City Clerk directly and requesting the official recall packet, as they can provide the current requirements, forms, and instructions applicable to any recall effort. (tucsonaz.gov)