



Committee Guide: What Am I and What Do I Need to Do?

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This guide is provided for general informational purposes only to assist individuals and committees in understanding recall election and campaign finance requirements. It does not constitute legal advice. Laws, filing requirements, and contribution limits are subject to change and may vary based on individual circumstances. Committees and participants are responsible for ensuring compliance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, applicable provisions of the Colorado Revised Statutes, and the Firestone Municipal Code.

Questions regarding filing procedures may be directed to the Town Clerk's Office; however, Town staff cannot provide legal advice.

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Are you spending money or accepting contributions related to the recall election?

- **No** → You do **not** need to form a committee
- **Yes** → Continue below

STEP 1: What are you trying to influence?

A. The **RECALL** itself

(Supporting OR opposing the recall of a municipal officer)

→ You are a **RECALL ISSUE COMMITTEE**

This includes:

- The group that filed the recall petition
- A Trustee subject to recall, if they raise or spend money to oppose the recall
- Any person or group supporting or opposing the recall on behalf of a Trustee subject to recall

Important rule:

An incumbent municipal officer subject to recall may not use a candidate committee to oppose the recall and must instead form a recall issue committee.

B. The **SUCCESSOR CANDIDATES**

(Trying to help someone get elected if the recall succeeds)

You are **NOT** a recall issue committee.

Instead:

- If you are a **candidate seeking to fill a vacancy created by a successful recall**
→ You are a **CANDIDATE COMMITTEE**
- If you are **supporting or opposing a successor candidate**
→ You are a **POLITICAL COMMITTEE**

STEP 2: Recall Issue Committee – What Do I Need to Do?

1. Register your committee

A recall issue committee must register **within ten (10) calendar days** of:

- Accepting contributions **or**
- Making expenditures **in excess of \$200** to support or oppose the recall

Registration is filed with the Town Clerk’s Office.

2. File campaign finance reports

Once registered, recall issue committees must file disclosure reports according to the following schedule:

Based on Election Day: April 21, 2026

- **Within 15 days of registration** – First report due
- **Every 30 days thereafter** until the recall election date is established
- **April 7, 2026** – 14 days before the recall election
- **April 14, 2026** – 7 days before the recall election
- **May 21, 2026** – 30 days after the recall election

All reports are filed with the Town Clerk’s Office.

3. Contribution and reporting basics

- Contributions of \$20 or more must be itemized
- Contributions of \$100 or more must include contributor occupation and employer
- Cash contributions are limited to \$100
- In-kind contributions (anything of value) must be reported

4. Terminating a recall issue committee

- A Termination Report may be filed once the committee has a zero balance
- Until a termination report is filed, the committee remains active and must continue filing reports

QUICK REFERENCE TABLE

If you are...	You are called...	What to do
Filed a recall petition	RECALL ISSUE COMMITTEE	Register and follow recall filing schedule
Trustee subject to recall opposing the recall	RECALL ISSUE COMMITTEE	Must form an issue committee
Group supporting or opposing the recall	RECALL ISSUE COMMITTEE	Register if activity exceeds \$200
Seeking to fill a vacancy created by a successful recall	CANDIDATE COMMITTEE	Candidate committee rules apply
Supporting or opposing a successor candidate	POLITICAL COMMITTEE	Political committee rules apply