

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHEROKEE

The Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Cherokee County announces the Non-Partisan Special Election for the following municipality to be held on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 to fill the unexpired terms of office listed:

**Municipality**  
Chesnee

**Office Open**  
City Council (Unexpired Term)

**City of Chesnee Filing opens at Noon, December 5, 2025**  
**City of Chesnee Filing closes at Noon, December 15, 2025**

Candidates must also pay the following filing fee to the Chesnee City Clerk during regular business hours during the filing period (closed Saturday and Sunday), and a receipt attached to the Nonpartisan Statement of Intention of Candidacy form. The Cherokee County Voter Registration and Elections Office does not accept payment for this municipality:

Chesnee City Council: \$100.00

Chesnee City Hall  
201 West Cherokee St  
Chesnee, SC 29323

Any person wishing to file as a candidate must be a Cherokee County registered voter and a resident of the Municipality for at least 30 days prior to the election.

Candidates must file with the Cherokee County Election Commission during regular business hours during the municipal filing period (closed Saturdays and Sundays) a Nonpartisan Statement of Intention of Candidacy form. This form may be obtained from the Cherokee County Election Office or from the candidate section of the following website: [www.scvotes.gov](http://www.scvotes.gov).

Filing Location: Cherokee County Voter Registration and Elections  
110 Railroad Ave  
Gaffney, SC 29340

Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

All Candidates must refer to the SC Ethics Commission website to find information about the forms (Statement of Economic Interests, Pre-Campaign Disclosure and Post Campaign) they must electronically file to comply with SC Code of Laws as regards their candidacy and campaign. Website is [www.ethics.sc.gov](http://www.ethics.sc.gov)

Any person wishing to register to vote in this election must do so no later than January 11, 2026 at 11:59 PM. Voter Registration by Mail forms will be accepted if postmarked no later than Monday, January 12, 2026. To register, one must contact the Cherokee County Voter Registration & Elections Office or visit [www.scvotes.gov](http://www.scvotes.gov).

Registered electors who cannot vote in person may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. Absentee applications must be requested and returned by Friday, January 30, 2026. Voters wishing for more information concerning absentee voting should contact the Cherokee County Voter Registration & Elections Office at (864) 487-2563.

Voters will be asked to provide one of the following Photo IDs when voting in person.

- S.C. Driver's License
  - o Includes standard License and REAL ID
- S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles ID Card
  - o Includes standard ID card and REAL ID
  - o Includes SC Concealed Weapons Permit
- S.C Voter Registration Card with Photo
- Federal Military ID
  - o Includes all Department of Defense Photo IDs and Veterans Affairs Benefits Card
- U.S. Passport
  - o Includes US Passport ID Card

If you have one of these Photo IDs, you are ready to vote. Voters should remember to bring one of these IDs with them to the polling place. Voters without Photo ID can get one free of charge from the Department of Motor Vehicles or their county voter registration office. Voters who encounter an obstacle to getting a Photo ID should bring their paper voter registration card without a photo with them to their polling place. These voters can then sign an affidavit swearing to their identity and to their obstacle to obtaining a Photo ID and vote a provisional ballot. This ballot will count unless the county board of voter registration and elections has grounds to believe the affidavit is false. For more information on Photo ID, visit [scVOTES.gov](http://scVOTES.gov) or contact your county board of voter registration and elections.

At 9:00 a.m. on February 10, 2026 the Board of Voter Registration and Elections will begin its examination of the absentee ballot return envelopes at 110 Railroad Ave, Gaffney, SC 29340.

On Thursday, February 12, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. the Cherokee County Board of Canvassers will conduct a hearing to determine the validity of all provisional ballots cast in these elections. This hearing will be held at 110 Railroad Ave, Gaffney, SC 29340.

Any Runoff will be held two (2) weeks after the Election on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, if necessary. Early Voting for any Runoff, if necessary, will be open February 18, 2026 – February 20, 2026 from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Voter Registration and Election Office at 110 Railroad Ave, Gaffney, SC 29340.

The hearing to determine the validity of ballots challenged in the Runoff will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at 110 Railroad Ave, Gaffney, SC 29340.

The following precincts will be open on election day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.:

PRECINCT NAME	POLLING PLACE	LOCATION
Morgan	Stateline Baptist Church	1328 Stateline Rd.

Early Voting – The early voting period for this election begins on Monday, January 26, 2026, and ends on Friday, February 6, 2026. The following early voting centers will be open during the early voting period from 8:30 AM. until 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday (closed Saturday and Sunday):

Voter Registration and Election Office

110 Railroad Ave, Gaffney, SC 29340