

## **UAW Local 551, Chicago, IL Notice of Nominations and Election**

Pursuant to a revised voluntary compliance agreement (VCA) dated July 27, 2021 and accepted July 30, 2021, United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 551 has agreed to hold the regularly scheduled election of officers under the supervision\* of the United States Department of Labor (DOL) - Office of Labor-Management Standards (OLMS) following an investigation of the June 8, 2019 election of officers. The following positions will be elected:

- President\*, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary\*, Three Trustees, Sergeant-at-Arms, Guide, Ford Bargaining Unit Chair\*, Three Bargaining Unit Committeepersons,\* Retiree Representative
- Ford Production - One District Committeeperson and One Alternate for Each District of A, B & C Crews. The four Production Districts Per Crew are:
  1. Body, Paint & Predelivery
  2. Chassis
  3. MP&L, Northpoint, Sequencing Center & SHO Center
  4. Trim
- Ford Skilled Trades: One District Committeeperson and One Alternate for Group 1 days/nights and Group 2 days/nights.
- TDM Chair, One TDM Committeeperson and One Alternate for each shift (first and second)
- Leadec Chair, One Leadec Steward Day shift, One Leadec Steward Night Shift.
- Nine Delegates to the UAW Constitutional Convention (One Delegate to be Elected from TDM and Leadec employees)

All positions are to be elected to three year terms with the exception of the delegates to the UAW Constitutional Convention.

### **Nominations Meeting and Written Nominations Process**

**Sunday, May 15, 2022, 2:00 PM**

Nominations for the offices detailed above will be accepted from the floor at the UAW Local 551 membership meeting at the **UAW Local 551 Union Hall, 13550 S. Torrence Ave, Chicago, IL 60633 on Sunday, May 15, 2022 beginning at 2:00 PM.** Nominators must be members in good standing at the time of nominations. Candidate eligibility is detailed in the UAW Local 551 Bylaws (2022), Article XIV, Section 8. Per the UAW Local 551 Bylaws, Article XI, Section 3, members in good standing within a designated district must be nominated by a member in good standing of said designated district. Self-nominations will be accepted and seconds are not required.

Nominations may also be made in writing prior to the nominations meeting. Written nominations should include the name and contact information of the nominee, the office to which nominated, plus the name and contact information of the member making the nomination. Written nominations should be directed to both OLMS Election Supervisor Michelle Forsyth and Local 551 Election Committee Chair Tamika Williams (contact information below). Hand delivery of a written nomination is not permitted. Written nominations

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must be received by Election Supervisor and/or the Local 551 Election Committee Chair by **Friday, May 13, 2022 at 5:00 PM (CDT)**.

Eligible members nominated for office must accept or decline the nomination in person at the nomination meeting or submit a written acceptance to the Election Supervisor and/or Election Committee Chair (contact information below) no later than **Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 5:00 PM (CDT)**.

### **Election Dates and Absentee Ballot Process**

The election of Local 551 officers, committeepersons, stewards and Constitutional Convention delegates will be conducted by secret ballot, in-person voting at the UAW Local 551 Union Hall, 13550 S. Torrence Ave, Chicago, IL 60633. All members in good standing, including retirees, are eligible to vote and will be asked to present a picture identification prior to being issued a ballot. The following dates have been established for the election:

#### **Election of Officers**

**Monday, June 13, 2022, 12:01 AM through Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 8:00 PM**

#### **Run-Off (if needed)**

**Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 12:01 AM through Friday, June 24, 2022, 8:00 PM**

The UAW Constitution, Art. 38, Section 10(b) provides that a member who will be away from her/his Local during the entire period of an officer election due to a work or union assignment may apply for an absentee ballot by providing a signed statement advising the reason for the absence. Such statement or request must be filed with the Election Supervisor and Election Committee Chair. Due to time constraints of ballot printing, a member in need of an absentee ballot should notify the Election Supervisor ASAP to make arrangements to cast a ballot in sufficient time to mail the ballot to a secure P.O. box to be received by the final day of voting.

#### **Protest Procedures**

Any member in good standing may protest this OLMS supervised election for valid cause. Violations must be brought to the attention of Election Supervisor and Local 551 Election Committee Chair as soon as the violation becomes known. In order to be acted upon, all protests concerning the conduct of the election must be received by the Election Supervisor as soon as possible but no later than the tenth calendar day following the election (i.e. announcement of the final tally results). Submit written protests directly to the Election Supervisor with a copy to the Local 551 Election Chair:

**Michelle Forsyth, Election Supervisor**  
U.S. Department of Labor, OLMS  
230 South Dearborn Street, Suite 774  
Chicago, IL 60604  
Fax: (312) 596-7174  
Email: [OLMS-LU551-ElectionSupervisor@dol.gov](mailto:OLMS-LU551-ElectionSupervisor@dol.gov)

**Tamika Williams**  
**UAW Local 551 Election Committee Chair**  
Email: [tamikawilliams@uawlocal551.com](mailto:tamikawilliams@uawlocal551.com).

If you have additional questions please contact Election Supervisor Michelle Forsyth at (312) 596-7170 or UAW Local 551 Election Committee Chair Tamika Williams at (708) 941-0906.