
CITY OF KELOWNA
MEMORANDUM

Date: May 8, 2002
To: City Manager
From: Chief Election Officer
Subject: 2002 General Local Government Elections

Recommendation:

THAT Council forward the draft 2002 General Local Government Election Bylaw, as attached to the report of the Chief Election Officer dated May 8, 2002, for reading consideration.

Background:

The 2002 general local government elections will be held on November 16, 2002. Council is required pursuant to the *Local Government Act*, to establish certain procedures, by bylaw, for the conduct of the elections.

The attached draft bylaw designates November 6th and 12th, 2002, as the dates for Advance Voting Opportunities, to be held at the Parkinson Recreation Centre, and authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish the locations, dates, and voting hours for Special Voting Opportunities. Special Voting will be held at various hospital and rest home locations throughout the City, and will give the residents or patients, and staff, of those facilities, who have challenges in getting to the regular voting places, the opportunity to exercise their vote.

The bylaw also establishes that the names of the candidates on the ballot will be in alphabetical order, as opposed to by lot, and that any tie vote (after a judicial recount) that needs to be broken will be so by lot, as opposed to a run-off election.

Finally, the bylaw also provides for the requirement of a refundable \$100.00 nomination deposit from each candidate for the position of Mayor or Councillor. The deposits are refunded after the election, when the candidate files his or her Campaign Financial Disclosure Statement.

Allison M. Flack, Chief Election Officer

Cc: David Shipclark, Deputy Chief Election Officer

Attach: Draft 2002 General Local Government Election Bylaw

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CITY OF KELOWNA

BYLAW NO. 8860

A Bylaw to provide for the procedures for the conduct of the 2002 General Local Government Elections and other voting

WHEREAS under the *Local Government Act*, the Council of the City of Kelowna may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the administration and conduct of local government elections and other voting;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Kelowna wishes to establish various procedures and requirements in relation to the 2002 general local government elections and any other voting under that authority;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Kelowna, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

- 1.1 This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "2002 General Local Government Election Bylaw No. 8860".

2. ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES

- 2.1 The following days are hereby established as advance voting opportunities for the 2002 general local election and other voting:

(a) November 6, 2002; and

(b) November 12, 2002.

- 2.2 All advance voting opportunities established in section 2.1 of this Bylaw shall be available at the Parkinson Recreation Centre, 1800 Parkinson Way, Kelowna, B.C., between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 pm.

3. SPECIAL VOTING OPPORTUNITIES

- 3.1 To give electors who may otherwise be unable to vote an opportunity to do so, the Council will provide special voting opportunities for each election and other voting and authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish the special voting opportunities for each election and other voting and to designate the locations, the dates, and the voting hours within the limits set out in the *Local Government Act*, for the special voting opportunities.

- 3.2 Persons who may vote at a special voting opportunity shall be either qualified electors who are residents or patients at the facility being used as a special voting opportunity or qualified electors who are employed at the facility being used as a special voting opportunity.
- 3.3 The Chief Election Officer is hereby authorized to limit the number of candidate representatives who may be present at a special voting opportunity.

4. NOMINATION DEPOSITS

- 4.1 Nominations for the office of Mayor or Councillor must be accompanied by a nomination deposit of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

5. ORDER OF NAMES ON BALLOT

- 5.1 The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be alphabetical.

6. RESOLUTION OF TIE VOTES AFTER JUDICIAL RECOUNT

- 6.1 In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with Section 141 of the *Local Government Act*.

Read a first, second, and third time this day of.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Kelowna this day of .

Mayor

City Clerk