

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF WHITE ROCK
BYLAW NO. 1676**



A Bylaw to provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of local government elections and other voting.

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Consolidated as of July 2008.

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1848	July 28, 2008	3	5a) , 6a) , 6 c), adding Section 7 <i>Nomination Documents</i> and Section 8 <i>Financial Disclosure Documents</i>

WHEREAS:

- A. Under the Local Government Act, the Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of local government elections and other voting; and,
- B. Council wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under that authority;

The CITY COUNCIL of The Corporation of the City of White Rock in open meeting assembled, ENACTS as follows:

1. Definitions

In this bylaw:

"Elector" means a resident elector or a non-resident property elector of The Corporation of the City of White Rock as defined under the Local Government Act;

"Election" means an election for the number of persons required to fill a local government office;

"Extended Care Institution" means a facility providing residential accommodation and personal care for individuals who, because of age, infirmity or disability, require personal care;

"General voting day" means:

- (a) for a General local election, the third Saturday of November in the year of the Election;
- (b) for other elections, the date set under Sections 37(5), 38(1) or (3) or 142(5) of the Local Government Act; and
- (c) for other voting, the date set under Section 162 of the Local Government Act.

"Other voting" means voting on a matter referred to in Section 158 of the Local Government Act.

2. Provincial Voters List

The most current available Provincial list of voters prepared under the Election Act of British Columbia becomes the register of resident electors 52 days before general voting day of each election or other voting.

3. Order of Names on Ballot

The order of names of candidates for Mayor and Council on the ballot will be determined by lot in accordance with Section 107 of the Local Government Act.

4. Resolution of Tie Votes after a Judicial Recount

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.

5. Advance Voting Opportunities

~~(a) The following advance voting opportunities are required for each election:~~

- ~~(i) on the 4th day before general voting day,~~
- ~~(ii) on the 8th day before general voting day, and~~
- ~~(iii) on the 10th day before general voting day; (deleted by Bylaw 1770)~~

~~(a) The following advance voting opportunities are required for each election:~~

- ~~(i) on the 10th day before general voting day,~~
- ~~(ii) on the 5th day before general voting day, and (deleted by Bylaw 1775)~~
- ~~(ii) on the 4th day before general voting day (added by Bylaw 1775)~~
- ~~(iii) on other days that may be established by the Chief Election Officer. (added by Bylaw 1770)~~

(a) The following advance voting opportunities are required for each election:

- i) on the 3rd day before general voting day;
- ii) on the 9th day before general voting day;
- iii) on the 10th day before general voting day; and
- iv) on other days that may be established by the Chief Election Officer.
(added by Bylaw 1848)

(b) Voting hours for the advance voting opportunities will be from 8:00am to 8:00pm;

(c) Council hereby authorizes the Chief Election Officer to designate the voting places at which the advance voting opportunities will be conducted.

6. Special Voting Opportunities

- (a) A special voting opportunity shall be provided *on the 2nd day before (added by Bylaw 1848)* general voting day at:
 - (i) the Peace Arch Hospital; and,
 - (ii) any extended care institution located within the City of White Rock designated and established by the Chief Election Officer;
- (b) Council hereby authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish:
 - (i) the voting hours when special voting opportunities will be conducted; and,
 - (ii) the extended care institutions at which special voting opportunities will be conducted;
- (c) The following restrictions apply to persons who may vote at the special voting opportunities:
 - (i) in the case of Peace Arch Hospital only electors who, on the date on which the special voting opportunity is held, have been admitted as patients to the hospital;
 - (ii) in the case of extended care institutions only electors who, on the date on which the special voting opportunity is held, have been registered as residents of the institution; and
 - (iii) employees of the extended care institutions(s) and/or hospital(s) that are eligible to vote in the City of White Rock. *(added by Bylaw 1848)*
- (d) The number of candidates representatives who may be present at the special voting opportunity is limited to one, with that candidate representative chosen by agreement of the candidates for that election. Failing such agreement, the Chief Election Officer shall determine which single candidate representative may be present;
- (e) The ballot box and necessary supplies for the voting may be carried from room to room by the presiding election official and a second election official, so as to afford each such Elector the opportunity to vote at bedside, where it is determined by the presiding election official that the Elector cannot attend the voting place established at the special voting location; and,
- (f) Only a single ballot box will be used for all ballots at all special voting locations. The candidate representative permitted to be present at a particular special voting location may travel with the presiding election official and the additional election official when the ballot box is transported from one special voting place to the next special voting location and thereafter until that ballot box is opened for counting.

7. Nomination Documents

Candidate nomination documents in accordance with Section 73 of the *Local Government Act* will be posted on the City of White Rock website from the time of delivery to the Chief Election Officer until thirty (30) days after the declaration of the election results.

The nominators address and phone number will be severed from the documents prior to them being posted on the City's website.

8. Financial Disclosure Documents

Candidate financial disclosure documents in accordance with Section 93 of the *Local Government Act* will be posted on the City of White Rock website.

Included with this posting will be a disclaimer noting the restrictions on using the information in accordance with the *Local Government Act*. The address and phone number of any person included within the documentation will be severed prior to it being posted on the City's website.

9. Repeal and Citation

City of White Rock Election Bylaw No. 1595 and 1596, 1999 are hereby repealed. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "White Rock Election Procedure Bylaw, 2002, No. 1676".

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MAYOR

CITY CLERK