

NEWS RELEASE

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Nanaimo Votes 2026: Nomination period for Local Election begins September 1

Summary

The 2026 General Local Election is drawing nearer with nomination period opening on Tuesday, Sept. 1 at 9 a.m. Those wishing to run as candidates are encouraged to file nomination documents with the Chief Election Officer or designate at the Legislative Services Office at City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo. To file, candidates are asked to make an appointment by contacting Legislative Services at elections@nanaimo.ca or 250-755-4405 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays. Appointments will be booked on a first-come first-served basis. Candidates will be declared at the conclusion of the nomination period. Public access to nomination documents will be provided on the election website as soon as possible.

For more information on the 2026 General Local Election, please visit www.nanaimo.ca/elections.

Strategic Link: n/a

Key Points

- The nomination period runs from 9 a.m. on Tuesday, September 1 through to 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 11.
- Candidates are encouraged to make an appointment to file nomination documents by contacting Legislative Services at elections@nanaimo.ca or 250-755-4405.
- Nomination packages are available for pick up at Legislative Services Office or by emailing elections@nanaimo.ca before the end of the nomination period.

Quotes

"Local government plays an important role in our community and we encourage anyone interested in serving Nanaimo to consider putting their name forward in the 2026 election."

Sheila Gurrie
Chief Election Officer
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- General Voting Day for the 2026 Municipal Election is on Saturday, Oct. 17. There are two advanced voting opportunities on Wednesday, Oct. 7 and 14.

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