

2022 GENERAL LOCAL ELECTION

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS FOR:

ADVANCE ELECTOR REGISTRATION

On Saturday, October 15, 2022, a general local election will be held where City of Nanaimo electors will select a Mayor and 8 Councillors.

Are you eligible to vote in the General Local Election for Mayor and Councillor? Is your name on the voters list?

Advance registration to be added to the voters list in the 2022 General Local Election for City Council is available until 4:00 pm on Tuesday, August 23, 2022.

If you are unsure of whether you are on the voters list, you can find out by calling or visiting the Legislative Services Department at 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC at 250 755-4405. The office is open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding holidays).

To ensure you are on the voters list prior to general voting day (October 15, 2022) or the advance and special voting opportunities (October 5 and 12, 2022), you must register in advance at the Legislative Services Department, City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC no later than Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 4:00 pm. After this date, electors not appearing on the voters list will need to register to vote in person immediately before voting.

ELECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

RESIDENT ELECTORS ARE:

- 18 years of age or older on the day of registration or who will be on general voting day for the election; and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a resident of the City of Nanaimo; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election and not otherwise disqualified by law.

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS ARE:

- 18 years of age or older on the day of registration or who will be on general voting day for the election; and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a registered owner of real property in the City of Nanaimo for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- not entitled to register as a resident elector; and

- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election and not otherwise disqualified by law; and
- registered owners of the property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust (*If there is more than one registered* owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector).

VOTERS LIST

Beginning Tuesday, August 30, 2022 until the close of general voting for the election on Saturday, October 15, 2022, a copy of the voters list will be available for public inspection at the Legislative Services Department, City Hall, 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC, during regular office hours, Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

Before inspecting the list, a person must sign a statement that they will not inspect the list, make copies, or use the information included in the list except for the purposes as set out in Part 3 - Electors and Elections of the *Local Government Act*.

REQUEST TO OMIT OR OBSCURE

An elector may request that their address or other personal information about them be omitted from or obscured on the voters list. The elector must contact the Chief Election Officer or the Deputy Chief Election Officer to make this request.

OBJECTION TO REGISTRATION OF AN ELECTOR

An objection to the registration of a person whose name appears on the voters list may be made in accordance with the *Local Government Act* until 4:00 pm on Friday, September 9, 2022. An objection must be in writing and may only be made by a person entitled to be registered as an elector of the City of Nanaimo and only on the basis that a person whose name appears on the voters list has died or is not qualified to register as an elector of the City of Nanaimo.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION on these matters, the following persons may be contacted:

Sheila Gurrie, Chief Election Officer Sky Snelgrove, Deputy Chief Election Officer Email: <u>elections@nanaimo.ca</u> PH: 250-755-4405 Office: 455 Wallace Street, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5J6