

# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

## BYLAW NO. 2042

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

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In accordance with the *Local Government Act*, the Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the administration and conduct of local government elections and other voting.

Council for the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under that authority.

The Council for the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks, in an open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

**1. Citation**

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the "General Local Government Election Bylaw No. 2042".

**2. Register of Resident Electors**

2.1 As authorized under Section 75 of the *Local Government Act*, the most current list of voters prepared under the *Elections Act*, existing at the time an election or other voting is to be held, is deemed to be the register of resident electors for the Municipality.

**3. Additional General Election Voting Opportunities**

3.1 As authorized under Section 106 of the *Local Government Act*, Council authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional general voting opportunities for general voting day for each election or specified election or other voting and to designate the voting places and voting hours for these voting opportunities.

**4. Required Advanced Voting Opportunities**

4.1 As authorized under section 107 of the *Local Government Act*, in addition to the required advance voting opportunity on the 10th day before general voting day, an additional advance voting opportunity will be available at a location and on a date established by the Chief Election Officer.

4.2 Required advance voting opportunities will be available at the voting place(s) designated by the Chief Election Officer, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

**5. Special Voting Opportunities**

5.1 In order to give electors who may otherwise be unable to vote, an opportunity to do so, Council will provide Special Voting Opportunity as authorized under Section 109 of the *Local Government Act*, for each election or specified election or other voting at the following locations:

|                               |                                |   |                              |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Phoenix Manor Retirement Home | Boundary Lodge Assisted Living | Boundary Hospital & Hardyview Lodge (Includes all Cottages on the property) | Silver Kettle Village        |
| 876-72nd Avenue               | 7130-9 <sup>th</sup> Street    | 7649-22 <sup>nd</sup> Street  | 2350-72 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue |
| Grand Forks BC                | Grand Forks BC                 | Grand Forks BC  | Grand Forks BC               |

5.2 The special opportunity voting places shall be open as determined by the Chief Elections Officer.

5.3 Provision is made to allow for bedside voting for the Special Voting Opportunity facilities.

5.4 The number of candidate's representatives who may be present at the special voting opportunities facilities is limited to one.

5.5 Persons who may vote at a special voting opportunity shall be qualified electors who are residents, patients or family members at the facility, or qualified electors who are employed at the facility being used as a special voting opportunity.

**6. Ballots**

6.1 Pursuant to Section 114 of the *Local Government Act*, the Chief Election Officer shall establish the form of ballots to be used in the general local election or other voting. Such determination includes the utilization of the Automated Ballots, for Voting Machines or Printed Ballot as follows:

- (a) Printed Ballots shall be in the form prescribed in Section 114 and 115 of the Local Government Act;
- (b) Use of Voting Machines shall be in accordance with Section 112 of the Local Government Act as outlined in the current version of the City of Grand Forks' "Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw".

**7. Order of Names on Ballot**

7.1 The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be determined by alphabetical order in accordance with Section 116 of the *Local Government Act*.

**8. Number of Scrutineers at Voting Places**

8.1 As authorized under Section 120 (2) (d) of the *Local Government Act*, the number of scrutineers for each candidate that may attend at an election is a maximum of one scrutineer for each ballot box in use.

**9. Resolution of Tie Votes after Judicial Recount**

9.1 In the event of a tie vote after judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with Section 151 of the *Local Government Act*.

**10. General**

10.1 Any enactment referred to herein is a reference to an enactment of British Columbia and regulations thereto, as amended, revised, consolidated or replaced from time to time.

10.2 If any part, section, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the decision that it is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder which shall continue in full force and effect and be construed as if the Bylaw had been adopted without the invalid portion.

**11. Repeal**

11.1 The following bylaws are hereby repealed:

- **“Procedures for the Conduct of Local Government Election and Other Voting Bylaw No. 1999, 2014”**

Read a first, second, and third time by the Municipal Council this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

Finally Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.



Mayor, Frank Konrad



Corporate Officer, Diane Heinrich

**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the "General Local Government Election Bylaw No. 2042", as adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Grand Forks on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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Corporate Officer of the Corporation of the  
City of Grand Forks