

Information Notice - Voting by Mail in October Municipal Election

Who Can Vote By Mail

Voting by mail is available to persons in the following circumstances only:

- a) If you have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects your ability to vote;
- b) If you expect to be away from the municipality on general voting day (October 20, 2018) **and** at the times of **all** the advance voting opportunities (October 10, 2018 and October 17, 2018)

Eligibility to Vote

To vote by mail a person must meet all voting requirements for voting in a municipal election as a resident elector or as a non-resident property elector as of the date the mail ballot is completed and posted.

There are two categories of electors for local government elections in the Province of British Columbia:

Resident Electors and **Non-Resident Property Electors**.

You are qualified to register as a **Resident Elector** in the City of Campbell River if you meet the following criteria:

- a) 18 years of age or older on general voting day;
- b) a Canadian citizen;
- c) a resident of British Columbia for at least six months prior to the day of registration;
- d) a resident of the City of Campbell River for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration;
- e) not disqualified from voting by any statute or law.

You are qualified to register as a **Non-Resident Property Elector** in the City of Campbell River if you meet the following criteria:

- a) 18 years of age or older on general voting day;
- b) a Canadian citizen;
- c) a resident of BC for at least six months immediately before the day of registration;
- d) a registered owner of real property in the City of Campbell River for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration;
- e) not entitled to register as a resident elector in the City of Campbell River;
- f) not disqualified from voting by any statute or law.
- g) if more than one person owns the property, only one owner may register and that person must have the written consent of a majority of the other owners. A majority of the owners must complete and sign a Non-Resident Property Elector Consent Form.

NOTE: In accordance with the *Local Government Act*, the only persons who are registered owners, either as joint tenants or as tenants-in-common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust. A person may only register as a Non-Resident Property Elector in relation to one parcel of property in the City of Campbell River and must provide proof of ownership of the property on which registration is based in the form of a **Certificate of Title**.

Register of Electors (Voter's List)

The City of Campbell River uses the most recent Provincial list of voters as our list of registered resident voters. Please check the Provincial website at www.elections.bc.ca to confirm you are registered, or to update your registration by clicking on "Voting", then click on "Online Voter Registration" and follow the register or update link. Online registrations or updates to www.elections.bc.ca will need to be made before August 16, 2018 in order for them to appear on the Campbell River list of registered voters. If your Mail Ballot Voting Application is received by the City after August 16, 2018, your name will be manually added to the City of Campbell River's voting list.

Application Packages

Mail ballot voting application packages are available at Campbell River City Hall, 301 St. Ann's Road, Campbell River, BC during regular business hours 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Mon-Fri and on the City's website at www.campbellriver.ca. For further information, or to request an application to vote by mail, please contact City of Campbell River Reception in the Legislative Services Department, Phone (250) 286-5700, Email front.reception@campbellriver.ca or Fax (250) 286-5760. Applications to vote by mail must be received by October 2nd.

Important Deadline: As provided in the *Local Government Act*, a mail ballot **must** be received by the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Officer **before** the close of voting on general voting day (Saturday October 20th at 8:00 pm) in order to be counted for the election. It is your responsibility to mail the ballot in sufficient time for delivery to the Legislative Services Department at City Hall by the close of business at 4:30 p.m. on **Friday October 19, 2018**. Alternately, you may arrange for the ballot to be hand delivered to the Presiding Election Official at the Campbell River Community Centre voting place, 401 – 11th Avenue, between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. **Saturday, October 20, 2018**.

Elle Brovold; Chief Election Officer