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**Consolidated as of May 10, 2018**

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WHEREAS under the *Local Government Act*, Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied to the conduct of local government elections and assent voting;

AND WHEREAS Council wishes to establish voting procedures and requirements under that authority;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Langley in an open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

### **1. Title**

This bylaw shall be cited as the "Election & Assent Voting Procedure Bylaw, 2014, No. 2942".

### **2. Use of Provincial List of Voters as the Register of Resident Electors**

As authorized under section 76 of the *Local Government Act*, for the purposes of all local elections and assent voting under Parts 3 and 4 of the Local Government Act, the most current available Provincial list of voters prepared under the Election Act, shall become the register of resident electors on the 52nd day prior to the general voting day for such elections and submissions to the electors.

### **3. Nomination Deposits**

- (1) As authorized in section 88 of the *Local Government Act*, nominations for Mayor or Councillor must be accompanied by a nomination deposit.
- (2) The amount of the nomination deposit required under section 3.1 of this bylaw shall be \$100.00 (One Hundred Dollars).

#### **4. Access to Nomination and Endorsement Documents**

- (1) As authorized under section 89(8) of the *Local Government Act*, public access to nomination documents will be provided via the Internet or by other electronic means from the time of delivery until 30 days after the declaration of the election or other assent voting results.

As authorized under sections 89 and 93 of the *Local Government Act*, public access to elector organization endorsement documents will be provided via the Internet or by other electronic means from the time of delivery until 30 days after the declaration of the election or other assent voting results.

#### **5. Advance Voting Opportunities**

- (1) As authorized under sections 107 and 108 of the *Local Government Act*, the council authorizes the chief election officer to designate voting places for the required and additional advance voting opportunities.
- (2) In addition to the required advance voting opportunity on the tenth day before general voting day, the following days are hereby established as advance voting opportunities for elections and assent voting:
  - (a) on the eleventh day before general voting day;
  - (b) on the ninth day before general voting day; and
  - (c) on the third day before general voting day.
- (3) Advance voting opportunities on the days specified in subsection 5(2) shall be available as follows:
  - (a) on the eleventh day before general voting day between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.;
  - (b) on the tenth day before general voting day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.;
  - (c) on the ninth day before general voting day between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; and
  - (d) on the third day before general voting day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- (4) As authorized under section 108 of the *Local Government Act*, the Council authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish dates for additional voting opportunities to be held in advance of general voting day and to designate the voting places, establish the date and the voting hours for these voting opportunities.

## **6. Special Voting Opportunities**

- (1) As authorized under section 109 of the *Local Government Act*, special voting opportunities will be provided and the chief election officer is hereby authorized to establish the dates, locations and voting hours within the limits set out in section 109 of the *Local Government Act*, for the special voting opportunities.
- (2) The following restrictions apply as to who may vote at the special voting opportunities:
  - (a) The only electors who may vote are electors who, on the date on which the special voting opportunity is held and before the end of the voting hours for that special voting opportunity, are residents of the Langley Lions Senior Citizens Housing Facility located within the City of Langley and Langley City residents that are members of the Langley Senior Resources Society.
- (3) The following procedures for voting and for conducting the voting proceedings apply to the special voting opportunities:
  - (a) All voting procedures are as per normal.
  - (b) Upon completion of the marking of the ballot it is to be deposited by the elector in the ballot box supplied by the presiding election official.
  - (c) Upon completion of the special voting the ballot boxes are to be sealed until the time of counting.
  - (d) The chief election officer is authorized to limit the number of candidate representatives who may be present at the special voting opportunity.

## **7. Additional General Voting Opportunities**

As authorized under section 106 of the *Local Government Act*, additional voting opportunities for general voting day will be provided and the chief election officer is hereby authorized to designate the voting places and set the voting hours within the limits set out in section 106 of the *Local Government Act*, for the additional general voting opportunities.

## **8. Resolution Of Tie Votes After 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 151 of the *Local Government Act*.

## **9. Repeal**

The "Election Procedure Bylaw, 1993, No. 1942" and all amendments thereto are repealed.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD time this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014.

ADOPTED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2014.

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**MAYOR**

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**CORPORATE OFFICER**



## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

### **BYLAW No. 2942**

The purpose of Bylaw No. 2942 is to replace the Election Procedure Bylaw No. 1942 to reflect the new legislation adopted in 2014 with respect to Candidate and Elector Organization Endorsement documents. The remainder of the bylaw has been revised to update the recommended language used throughout the bylaw.