

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS PROCEDURES BYLAW NO. 6142, 1993

ADOPTED: AUGUST 30, 1993

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<u>AMENDMENT BYLAW</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
6339, 1996	July 29, 1996
7249, 2008	July 14, 2008
7694, 2014	June 23, 2014

The bylaw numbers highlighted in this consolidation refer to the bylaws that amended the principal Bylaw No. 6142. The number of any amending bylaw that has been repealed is not referred to in this consolidation.

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

BYLAW NO. 6142, 1993

A Bylaw to provide for the determination of various procedures for the conduct of local government elections and other voting

WHEREAS under the Municipal Act, the Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of local government elections and other voting;

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

NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster in open meeting assembled ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Local Government Elections Procedures Bylaw No. 6142, 1993".

2. Definitions

In this bylaw:

"Elector" means a resident elector or property elector of this jurisdiction as defined under the Municipal Act;

"Election" means an election for the number of persons required to fill a local government office;

"General local election" means the elections held for the mayor and all councillors of the municipality which must be held in the 1993 and in every third year after that;

"General voting day" means

(a) for a general local election, the third Saturday of November in the year of the election,

(b) for other elections, the date set under sections 38(5), 39(1) or (3) and 142(5) of the Municipal Act, and

(c) for other voting, the date set under section 162 of the Municipal Act;

“Jurisdiction” means, in relation to an election, the Corporation of the City of New Westminster;

“Local Government” means, in relation to an election, the Council of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster;

“Other voting” means voting on a matter referred to in section 158 of the Municipal Act and includes voting on a referendum under section 283 [s.790.1] of the Act.

3. Use of the Provincial List of Voters as the Register of Resident Electors

(a) As authorized under section 60 of the Municipal Act, the most current list of voters prepared under the Election 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 City of New Westminster.

(b) The Provincial list of voters becomes the register of resident electors no later than 52 days before general voting day for each election or other voting for the City of New Westminster.

4. Required Advance Voting Opportunities

BYLAW NO. 7694, 2014

(a) In accordance with section 97 of the *Local Government Act*, advance voting opportunities shall be held on the tenth day before general voting day from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

(b) In accordance with section 98 of the *Local Government Act*, the City Council authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional advance voting opportunities for each election to be held in advance of general voting day and to designate the voting places, and to establish the date and voting hours for these voting opportunities.

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5. General Voting Opportunities

The Chief Election Officer shall designate voting places for general voting day as soon as reasonably possible after the declaration of an election.

BYLAW NO. 7249, 2008

6. Electronic Access to Nomination Documents Authorization

As authorized by Section 73(7) of the *Local Government Act*, public access to nomination documents, will be made available via the internet or other electronic means.

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7. Electronic Access to Disclosure Statements and Supplementary Reports Authorization

As authorized by Section 93(2) of the *Local Government Act*, public access to disclosure statements and signed declarations, and supplementary reports and signed declarations, will be made available via the internet or other electronic means.

BYLAW NO. 7249, 2008

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 141 of the Municipal Act.

BYLAW NO. 7249, 2008

9. "Advanced Poll Elections and Submissions Bylaw, 1977, No. 5050" is hereby repealed.