

TO: Landlords, Property Managers, Housing Co-op Representatives, and Strata Councils

RE: 2022 Municipal Elections: Access to rented premises, condominiums, and co-operative housing complexes

NEW FOR THE 2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

Candidates and their representatives are permitted reasonable access to common areas of rented premises, condominiums and co-operative housing for the purpose of canvassing and distributing election material between 9 am and 9 pm throughout the campaign period (September 17 to October 15, 2022). Section 160.1 of the Local Government Act sets out the rules which are summarized below:

- A candidate or authorized canvasser must have reasonable access to residential property for the purpose of canvassing electors and distributing candidate information.
- If requested by a resident of the property, landlord, housing cooperative, or strata corporation, or anyone acting on their behalf, candidates and authorized canvassers must produce:
 - A government-issued photo identification; and
 - Proof of candidacy (if a candidate for election); or,
 - A candidate's written authorization to canvass on their behalf (if a canvasser).

Proof of Candidacy consists of form C2 (if a Council Candidate) or CS2 (if a School Trustee candidate). The pages submitted must have the Candidate's name and the signature of the Chief Election Officer (Jacque Killawee, for the City of New Westminster).

Canvassers appointed by candidates will be issued the form "Appointment of Canvasser" The form will include: the canvasser's name and address, the candidate's name and signature, and the date. The address on the identification and the form must match.

Attachment 1 to this letter is section 160.1 of the Local Government Act. Attachment 2 contains samples of each of the forms.

If you have any questions, please contact elections@newwestcity.ca or call 778-222-5613

Sincerely,



Jacque Killawee
Chief Election Officer

**Attachment 1: Local Government Act
Canvassing in housing cooperatives, strata and rental properties**

160.1 (1) In this section:

"authorized canvasser" means an individual authorized in writing by a candidate to canvass electors and distribute candidate information on the candidate's behalf;

"campaign period" has the same meaning as in the Local Elections Campaign Financing Act;

"candidate information" means printed information about

- (a) a candidate, and
- (b) if applicable, the elector organization that has endorsed the candidate.

(2) The following individuals and organizations must not unreasonably restrict access to residential property by a candidate or an authorized canvasser for the purposes of canvassing electors and distributing candidate information:

- (a) a housing cooperative or individual acting on behalf of a housing cooperative;
- (b) a landlord or individual acting on behalf of a landlord;
- (c) a strata corporation or individual acting on behalf of a strata corporation.

(3) While canvassing electors or distributing candidate information at a residential property, access to which is controlled by any of the individuals or organizations referred to in subsection (2), a candidate or authorized canvasser must produce government-issued photo identification and either proof of candidacy or a candidate's written authorization to canvass electors and distribute candidate information, as applicable, at the request of any of the following individuals:

- (a) a resident of the property;
- (b) an individual referred to in subsection (2) (a), (b) or (c).

(4) Subsection (2) applies from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the campaign period.

Attachment 2: Form Samples

Confirmation of Candidacy

Note: the image below is for a Council nomination form. School Trustee forms will be labeled "CS2 – Nomination Documents" and contain exactly the same information.

C2 – Nomination Documents									
PLEASE PRINT IN BLOCK LETTERS									
<small>JURISDICTION (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY OR REGIONAL DISTRICT)</small>	<small>ELECTION AREA (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY OR REGIONAL DISTRICT ELECTORAL AREA)</small>								
We, the following electors of the above-named jurisdiction, hereby nominate:									
<small>NOMINEE'S LAST NAME</small>	<small>FIRST NAME</small>								
<small>MIDDLE NAME(S)</small>									
<small>USUAL NAME OF PERSON NOMINATED IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE AND PREFERRED BY THE PERSON NOMINATED TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT</small>									
<small>RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (STREET ADDRESS)</small>	<small>CITY/TOWN</small>								
	<small>POSTAL CODE</small>								
<small>MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (STREET ADDRESS/PO BOX NUMBER)</small>	<small>CITY/TOWN</small>								
	<small>POSTAL CODE</small>								
As a Candidate for the office of:									
<small>POSITION (E.G., MAYOR, COUNCILLOR, ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTOR)</small>	<small>JURISDICTION (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY OR REGIONAL DISTRICT)</small>								
<p>Each of us affirms that to the best of our knowledge, the above-named person nominated for office:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Is or will be on general voting day for the election, 18 years of age or older. Is a Canadian citizen. Has been a resident of British Columbia, as determined in accordance with section 67 of the <i>Local Government Act</i>, for the past six months immediately preceding today's date. Is not disqualified under the <i>Local Government Act</i> or any other enactment from voting in an election in British Columbia or from being nominated for, being elected to or holding the office or be otherwise disqualified by law. 									
<p>A Nominator MUST be Qualified Under the Local Government Act or Vancouver Charter to Nominate a Nominee for Office</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td><small>NOMINATOR'S NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAMES)</small></td> <td><small>NOMINATOR'S NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAMES)</small></td> </tr> <tr> <td><small>RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A RESIDENT ELECTOR</small></td> <td><small>RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A RESIDENT ELECTOR</small></td> </tr> <tr> <td><small>PROPERTY ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR</small></td> <td><small>PROPERTY ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR</small></td> </tr> <tr> <td><small>NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE</small></td> <td><small>NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE</small></td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please see over for additional space when more than two nominators (e.g., 10) are required. For local governments that require 25 nominators attach an additional sheet(s) as necessary.</i></p>		<small>NOMINATOR'S NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAMES)</small>	<small>NOMINATOR'S NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAMES)</small>	<small>RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A RESIDENT ELECTOR</small>	<small>RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A RESIDENT ELECTOR</small>	<small>PROPERTY ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR</small>	<small>PROPERTY ADDRESS (CITY/TOWN, STREET ADDRESS, POSTAL CODE) IF NOMINATING AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR</small>	<small>NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE</small>	<small>NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE</small>
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I consent to the above nomination for office:									
<small>NOMINEE'S SIGNATURE</small>	<small>DATE: (YYYY/MM/DD)</small>								

CANDIDATE NOMINATION PACKAGE					
C2 – Nomination Documents					
PLEASE PRINT IN BLOCK LETTERS					
<p>I do solemnly declare as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I am qualified under section 81 of the <i>Local Government Act</i> to be nominated, elected and to hold the office of <small>POSITION (E.G., MAYOR, COUNCILLOR, ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTOR)</small> I am or will be on general voting day for the election, 18 years of age or older. I am a Canadian citizen. I have been a resident of British Columbia, as determined in accordance with section 67 of the <i>Local Government Act</i>, for the past six months immediately preceding today's date. I am not disqualified by the <i>Local Government Act</i> or any other enactment from voting in an election in British Columbia or from being nominated for, being elected to or holding the office, or be otherwise disqualified by law. To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in these nomination documents is true. I fully intend to accept the office if elected. I am aware of and understand the requirements and restrictions of the <i>Local Elections Campaign Financing Act</i> and I intend to fully comply with those requirements and restrictions. 					
<small>NOMINEE'S SIGNATURE</small>					
<small>DECLARED BEFORE ME: CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER OR COMMISSIONER FOR TAKING AFFIDAVITS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA</small>					
<small>AE: (LOCATION)</small>	<small>DATE: (YYYY/MM/DD)</small>				
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Canvasser Authorization Form

Canvasser Authorization Form	
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Notice to building owners and property managers:	
<p>Please be advised, under section 160.1 of the <i>Local Government Act</i>, authorized canvassers are entitled to access multiple residence buildings in the applicable jurisdiction (e.g., municipality, regional district electoral area, board of education, specified parks board, local community commission or Islands Trust local trust area) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. local time during the campaign period from the 20th day before general voting day until general voting day). A canvasser may be a candidate or an individual authorized in writing by a candidate in order to canvass voters and distribute candidate information on the candidate's behalf.</p> <p>At the request of a resident or individual acting on behalf of a multiple residence building, a canvasser entering a residential property must produce:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> government issued photo identification and proof of candidacy; or, written authorization to canvass on behalf of a candidate. 	
PART A	
ACCEPTANCE OF CANVASSER APPOINTMENT	
<small>FULL NAME OF CANVASSER</small>	
<small>SIGNATURE OF CANVASSER</small>	<small>DATE (YYYY/MM/DD)</small>
PART B	
CANDIDATE AUTHORIZATION	
<small>I hereby authorize the above-named individual to canvass on behalf of my campaign as a candidate for the following jurisdiction:</small>	
<small>FULL NAME OF CANDIDATE</small>	
<small>NAME OF JURISDICTION IN WHICH THE CANDIDATE IS SEEKING ELECTION (E.G., MUNICIPALITY, ELECTORAL AREA, BOARD OF EDUCATION)</small>	
<small>SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE</small>	<small>DATE (YYYY/MM/DD)</small>