

July 22, 2022

RE: Voting in the October 15, 2022 General Local Election in the City of New Westminster

Dear Registered Owner(s):

Our records indicate that you own or co-own property within the City of New Westminster, and therefore may be entitled to register as a Non-Resident Property Elector (NRPE) and vote in the 2022 General Local Election for the City of New Westminster.

If you qualify as a NRPE (see the enclosed Qualifications for an NRPE) and wish to vote, you must register before or on Election Day, by completing the attached application form. Please note:

- You can register and vote **once** in the New Westminster City election; owning multiple properties does not allow you to vote multiple times;
- A corporation is not entitled to be registered as an elector or have a representative registered as an elector, and a corporation is not entitled to vote.

If you own property with other people as the registered owner, only one owner can vote. A majority of owners must provide written consent to the voting owner by filling in the enclosed "Non-Resident Property Elector Consent Form". The consent form must be returned with the application form.

In 2022, the City of New Westminster is offering mail ballot voting. If you wish to vote by mail, go to the City's website starting on August 30, 2022 and apply.

If you register as an NRPE by August 30, 2022, the City will mail you a voter's guide and voter card. The voter's guide will also be accessible on the City's website.

In order to be registered on the list of electors for the 2022 election, all forms must be returned to the Election Office no later than **Thursday, September 29, 2022**. If you are not registered by this date, you may register at the time of voting by presenting the completed forms to Election Officials at the polling station or by voting using the on-line mail ballot form before October 6, 2022. For a list of voting places, or if you have any questions, please visit the City's website at <http://www.newwestcity.ca/elections>, or contact the Election Office by phone 778.222.5618, or via email at elections@newwestcity.ca.

Yours truly,



Nicole Ludwig
Deputy Chief Election Officer

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR

Application form must be completed in ink. See form completion instruction on the reverse.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR IN NEW WESTMINSTER

DATE OF APPLICATION: _____, 2022

(1) Full Name

(Last Name)_____
(First and Other Names)

(2) Address or legal description of the real property in relation to which I am registering

(IMPORTANT: Attach satisfactory proof that you are entitled to register in relation to this property.)

(3) Mailing address

(4) Last 6 digits of social insurance number **OR** Birth date_____
day/month/year ____/____/____

(5) If name changed since previous registration, give former name in full

(6) By signing this application, I declare that I meet the following requirements:

- a) I am a Canadian citizen;
- b) I am 18 years of age or older today, **OR** I will be 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election;
- c) I have been a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before today;
- d) I have been a registered owner of real property in New Westminster for at least 30 days immediately before today;
- e) The only persons who are registered owners of the real property identified in (2) above are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or any other trust;
- f) I am not entitled to register as a resident elector in New Westminster;
- g) I have not registered as a non-resident property elector in relation to any other parcel of real property in New Westminster; and
- h) I am not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or assent voting and am not otherwise disqualified by law.

(7) Signature of applicant

(8) Signature of witness

(9) Residential address of witness

(10) If there is more than one owner of the real property identified in (2) above, please complete the "Non-Resident Property Elector Consent Form".

(11) ELECTION OFFICIAL USE ONLY – Registration on Voting Day

Nature of documents produced for identification of person making this application:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY **BEFORE** COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FORM

- (1) Print applicant's surname and given names in full.
- (2) Print the street address or legal description of the applicant's real property in relation to which the applicant is registering. Applicant *must* attach satisfactory proof that they are entitled to register in relation to the real property referred to in part (2) of the application form (e.g., certificate of title, property tax notice, property assessment notice).
- (3) Print the applicant's mailing address including street number and name, city/town and postal code.
- (4) Print *either* the last 6 digits of the applicant's social insurance number *or* the applicant's birthdate. This information is required pursuant to the *Local Government Act*.
- (5) Complete this section if the applicant's name has changed since previously registering as a non-resident property elector.
- (6) Applicant must declare that they meet all the requirements listed in this section to register as a non-resident property elector.
- (7) Applicant must sign the application form in the presence of a witness.
- (8) The witness to the applicant's signature must sign the application form.
- (9) Print residential address of the witness. Not required if the witness is an election official.
- (10) You must attach the "Non-Resident Property Elector Consent Form" if the land title registration of the real property in relation to which a person is registering under this section indicates that there is more than one individual who is the registered owner of the real property. The person may only register as a non-resident property elector with the written consent of the number of those individuals who, together with the person registering, are a majority of those individuals.
- (11) If person is registering at the time of voting, 2 pieces of identification (at least one with a signature) to prove identity are required.

LGA s. 67, 71 and 73

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR CONSENT FORM

We, together with the person registering, constitute a majority of registered owners of the real property noted below and hereby give consent to

_____ (name of non-resident property elector)

being registered as the Non-Resident Property Elector for the jointly owned property legally described as _____ ,
(legal description of property)

and located at _____ .
(street address or location)

_____ name

_____ signature

_____ name

_____ signature

_____ name

_____ signature

_____ name

_____ signature

_____ name

_____ signature

NOTE: The person registering as the non-resident property elector must be one of the registered owners of the property.

City of New Westminster

SCENARIOS FOR NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS

	SCENARIO	ACTION
1	One owner – multiple properties	May register as a non-resident property elector (NRPE) for only one New Westminster property, and vote on behalf of that property.
2	Multiple registered owners – one property	Only one of the property owners may vote. The owners of the New Westminster property must decide who will register as the NRPE and complete, sign and submit the attached Consent Form. Review qualifications for voting before deciding who is to register as the NRPE.
3	Multiple registered owners – multiple properties	Only <u>one</u> vote is available for <u>each property</u> . The qualified owners must decide who will register as the NRPE for each available property. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• if there are 4 owners and 4 New Westminster properties, each owner can register on a separate property;• if there are 4 owners and 6 New Westminster properties, each of the owners can register on one of 4 separate properties;• if there are 4 owners and 2 New Westminster properties, one of the owners can register on one property, and one can register on the other. Two of the owners will not have a vote. Review qualifications for voting before deciding who is to apply as the NRPE for each property.

Regardless of which example above applies, a separate Consent Form must be completed and signed by a majority of the property owners for each New Westminster property.

IMPORTANT: Completed NRPE forms must be submitted to the Election Office by **Thursday, September 29, 2022**. If you are not registered by this date, you may register at the time of voting by presenting the completed forms to Election Officials.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR

Non-resident property electors

66 (1) In order to be registered as a non-resident property elector of a municipality or electoral area, a person must meet all the following requirements on the day of registration:

- (a) the person must not be entitled to register as a resident elector of the municipality or electoral area;
- (b) the person must be
 - (i) an individual who is 18 years of age or older on the day of registration, or
 - (ii) if an election is in progress for the municipality or electoral area, an individual who will be 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election;
- (c) the person must be a Canadian citizen;
- (d) the person must have been a resident of British Columbia, as determined in accordance with section 67, for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration;
- (e) the person must have been a registered owner of real property in the municipality or electoral area for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration;
- (f) the only persons who are registered owners of the real property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust;
- (g) the person must not be disqualified under this Act or any other enactment from voting in an election or be otherwise disqualified by law.