

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

BYLAW NO. 1999

A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE DETERMINATION OF VARIOUS PROCEDURES FOR THE CONDUCT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS AND OTHER VOTING.

In accordance with the Local Government Act, the Council may, by bylaw, determine various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of local government elections and other voting.

Council for the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks wishes to establish various procedures and requirements under that authority.

The Council for the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks, in an open meeting of Council, **ENACTS** as follows:

1. **Definitions**

In this bylaw:

"Elector" means a resident elector or property elector of the jurisdiction as defined under the Local Government 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 year 2014 and in every 4th year after that.

"General Voting Day" means:

- (a) for a general local election, set under Section 36(2) of the Local Government Act;
- (b) for other elections, the date set under Sections 37(5), 38(1) or (3) or 142(5) of the Local Government Act, and
- (c) for other voting, the date set under Section 162 of the Local Government Act.

"Jurisdiction" means, in relation to an election, the Municipality for which it is held.

"Local Government" means:

- (a) in relation to a Municipality, the Council.

"Other Voting" means voting on a matter referred to in Section 158 of the Local Government Act.

2. **Register of Resident Electors**

As authorized under Section 62 of the Local Government Act, the most current list of voters prepared under the Elections 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 Municipality.

3. **Additional General Voting Opportunities**

The Council authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional general voting opportunities for general voting day for each election or specified election or other voting and to designate the voting places and voting hours with the limits set out in Section 96(2) of the Local Government Act for such voting opportunities.

4. **Additional Advance Voting Opportunities**

As authorized under Section 98 of the Local Government Act, the Council authorizes the Chief Election Officer to establish additional advance voting opportunities for each election or specified election or other voting 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.

5. **Special Voting Opportunities**

- (a) In order to give electors who may otherwise be unable to vote, an opportunity to do so, the Council will provide Special Voting Opportunity as authorized under Section 99 of the Local Government Act, for each election or specified election or other voting at the following places and shall be open during the hours hereinafter specified:

- 1. Phoenix Manor Retirement Home
876-72nd Avenue, Grand Forks BC

- the voting place shall be open as determined by the Chief Elections Officer

2. Boundary Lodge Assisted Living
7130–9th Street, Grand Forks, BC
 - the voting place shall be open as determined by the Chief Elections Officer
 3. Boundary Hospital & Hardyview Lodge
(Includes all Cottages on the property)
7649-22nd Street, Grand Forks, B.C.
 - the voting place shall be open as determined by the Chief Elections Officer
 4. Silver Kettle Village, 2350-72nd Avenue, Grand Forks, B.C.
 - the voting place shall be open as determined by the Chief Elections Officer
- (b) The following procedures for voting and for conducting the voting proceeding apply to the special voting opportunity:
- (i) Provision is made to allow for bedside voting.
- (c) The number of candidate's representatives who may be present at the special voting opportunity is limited to one.
- (d) The following restriction applies to persons who may vote at a Special Voting Opportunity:
- (i) The only electors who may vote at the Special Voting Opportunity on the date when the Special Voting Opportunity is held are those voters who are residents of the facilities or those who have been admitted as patients to the Hospital and facilities Staff.

6. **Ballots**

Pursuant to Section 104 of the Local Government Act, the Chief Election Officer shall establish the form of ballots to be used in the general local election or other voting. Such determination includes the utilization of the Automated Ballots, for Voting Machines or Printed Ballot as follows:

- (a) Printed Ballots shall be in the form prescribed in Section 104 and 105 of the Local Government Act;

(b) Use of Voting Machines shall be in accordance with Section 101 of the Local Government Act as outlined in the City of Grand Forks' "Automated Voting Machines for General Local Elections and Other Voting Bylaw No. 2000".

7. **Order of Names on Ballot**

The order of names of candidates on the ballot will be determined by alphabetical order in accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Act.

8. **Number of Scrutineers at Voting Places**

As authorized under Section 110(2) (d) of the Local Government Act, the number of scrutineers for each candidate that may attend at an election is a maximum of one scrutineer for each ballot box in use.

9. **Resolution of Tie Votes after Judicial Recount**

In the event of a tie vote after judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with Section 141 of the Local Government Act.

11. This bylaw may be cited as the **"Procedures for the Conduct of Local Government Election and Other Voting Bylaw No. 1999, 2014"**.

INTRODUCED this 26th day of May, 2014.

Read a **FIRST** time this 9th day of June, 2014.

Read a **SECOND** time this 9th day of June, 2014.

Read a **THIRD** time this 9th day of June, 2014.

FINALLY RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of June, 2014.

Mayor Brian Taylor

Corporate Officer, Diane Heinrich

C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of bylaw No. 1999, as adopted by the
Municipal Council of the City of Grand Forks on the 23rd day of June, 2014.

Corporate Officer of the Municipal Council of the
City of Grand Forks