

# Request for Decision



To: Regular Meeting  
From: **Corporate Services**  
Date: April 9, 2018  
Subject: Elections Bylaws Consideration for Final Reading  
Recommendation: **THAT Council gives final reading of the “General Local Government Election Bylaw No. 2042, 2018”.**

**THAT Council gives final reading of the “Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2043, 2018”.**

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## Background

The municipality is legislatively required to have an Election Procedure Bylaw in accordance with the Local Government Act. The use of Automated Voting Machines as well requires a bylaw that authorizes the Chief Election Officer to use such devices to ensure for accurate and fast results at the end of the election day.

The General Election Bylaw requires an update in Local Government Act (LGA) section numbers (due to an update in the LGA in December of 2015) as well as some formatting updates, readability enhancements, and updates requested by our contractor in charge of the elections for 2018.

The Automated Voting Machine Bylaw requires a few minor changes as requested by our contractor in charge of the elections in 2018, as well as some housekeeping and formatting updates.

All non-housekeeping related changes are highlighted in **Yellow**.

Please see below for a proposed timeline for the bylaw adoption process.

Date	Meeting Type	Status
March 12	COTW	Introduction and discussion
March 26	Regular	First 3 readings
April 9	Regular	Final reading and adoption

On March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the introduction of the two bylaws were presented to the Committee of the Whole for discussion purposes and no proposed changes were directed to staff.

The bylaws are presented to Council at the April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting for consider to finally adopt.

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## Benefits or Impacts

### General

It is a legislated requirement to have an Elections Procedure Bylaw.

### Strategic Impact



#### Community Engagement

- Allow for Special Opportunity Voting places as well as efficient automated vote tabulating machines to reduce risk

### Policy/Legislation

Local Government Act

## Attachments

Proposed Bylaws No. 2042 & 2043

Current Bylaws No. 1999 & 2000

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## Options

1. RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the report.
2. RESOLVED THAT Council does not accept the report.
3. RESOLVED THAT Council refers the matter back to staff for further information.