



**BYLAW NO. 13-10  
TOWN OF STRATHMORE  
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

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**BEING A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE.**

**WHEREAS** it is the desire of Council to establish certain election procedures;

**AND WHEREAS** to the *Local Authorities Election Act, being Chapter L-21, of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000*, and amendments thereto and the *Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26, of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000* and amendments thereto provides authority for the Town to regulate such matters;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Municipal Council of the Town of Strathmore, in the Province of Alberta, duly assemble, **HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

**TITLE:**

101. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Election Bylaw".

**DEFINITIONS:**

201. In this Bylaw:

- (a) "Act" means the *Local Authorities Election Act, R.S.A. 2000, Chapter L-21* as amended from time to time.
- (b) "Advance Vote" means a vote taken in advance of Election Day;
- (c) "Council" means the municipal council of the Town of Strathmore in the Province of Alberta;
- (d) "Elector" means a person eligible to vote at an election;
- (e) "Election" means a general election, by-election or a vote on a bylaw of question;
- (f) "Election Day" means the date fixed for voting at an election;



- (g) "Local Jurisdiction" means a municipality or a district or a division as defined in the *School Act*, as the case may be;
- (h) "Nomination Day" means the day set 4 weeks before Election Day to receive nominations of candidates;
- (h) "Nomination Form" means the form as prescribed under the *Local Authorities Election Forms Regulation 378/2003*.
- (i) "Returning Officer" means a person appointed under the *Local Authorities Election Act, 2000, Chapter L-21* as amended from time to time and includes a person acting in the returning officer's place;
- (j) "Senior's accommodation facility means:
  - (i) lodge accommodation as defined in the *Alberta Housing Act*,  
or
  - (ii) a facility for seniors that provides accommodation at a location for 10 or more persons who are 65 years of age or older;
- (k) "Voter" has the same meaning as "elector" under the *Local Authorities Election Act*.
- (l) "Voting Station" means the place where an elector votes.

**RETURNING OFFICER:**

301. The Municipal Clerk is hereby appointed as the Returning Officer for Town of Strathmore (hereinafter referred to as the "Returning Officer") for the purpose of conducting elections under the Act.

**NOMINATIONS HOURS:**

401. The Returning Officer will receive nominations of candidates for Town of Strathmore Council elections at the Town of Strathmore office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Nomination Day and on any subsequent day to which the time for receipt of nominations is adjourned.



**NOMINATION FORM:**

501. In accordance with *Section 27 of the Local Authorities Election Act, being Chapter L-21, of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000*, and amendments thereto every nomination of a candidate shall be in the prescribed form and signed by at least 5 electors eligible to vote in the election and resident in the local jurisdiction on the date of signing the nomination and shall be accompanied with a written acceptance signed in the prescribed form.
502. If the nomination form has not been signed by the required number of eligible electors the Returning Officer must refuse the form.

**NOMINATION DEPOSIT:**

601. Every Nomination Form for a candidate for the position as a member of Council for the Town of Strathmore shall be accompanied by a deposit of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
602. The deposit shall be in cash, or certified cheque or money order payable to the Town of Strathmore.
603. A candidate's deposit will be returned to him/her in accordance with Section 30 of the *Act*

**VOTING PROCEDURE:**

701. In accordance with *Ministerial Order Number 532/86* the Town of Strathmore hereby adopts the modified system of conducting an Election as prescribed by *Alberta Regulation 170/2000* to designate the locations of more than one voting station within the Town of Strathmore.
702. The modified voting procedure shall be used for the purpose of conducting elections pursuant to the provision of the *Local Authorities Election Act*.
703. In accordance with *Section 53 of the Local Authorities Election Act being Chapter L-21, of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, and amendments thereto* every elector must produce one piece of photo identification with name and address that is issued by a Canadian Government or one piece of identification authorized by the Chief Electoral Officer under the *Local Authorities Election Act* with name and address.



**INSTITUTIONAL VOTING STATIONS:**

801. The Returning Officer is authorized to designate the location of one or more Institutional Voting Stations for an Election.

802. An Elector who on Election Day

(a) is confined to a hospital, auxiliary hospital or nursing home in the local jurisdiction, or

(b) is a resident in the local jurisdiction in a Senior's Accommodation Facility

that is established as an Institutional Voting Station for the Election is eligible to Vote at that Institutional Voting Station.

**ADVANCE VOTING:**

901. The holding of an Advance Vote on any Vote held in an Election for the Local Jurisdiction is hereby authorized.

902. In accordance with the Act the Returning Officer will determine the location, days and hours when an Advance Vote will be held.

**VOTING HOURS ON ELECTION DAY:**

1001. The Voting Stations in the Town of Strathmore shall be open from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

**REPEAL:**

1101. Bylaws #07-01 is hereby rescinded.

**ENACTMENT**

1102. This Bylaw comes into full force and effect upon third and final reading.



**READ A FIRST TIME THIS 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.**

**READ A SECOND TIME THIS 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.**

**READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME THIS 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.**

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**MAYOR**

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