

PUBLIC NOTICE IS GIVEN to the electors of the Town of Ladysmith that assent voting (referendum) will be held on the following questions:

Cowichan Housing Association Annual Financial Contribution Service

Are you in favour of the Cowichan Valley Regional District adopting "CVRD Bylaw No. 4201 - Cowichan Housing Association Annual Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw, 2018" to provide regional programs and services related to affordable housing and homelessness prevention?

Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Service

Are you in favour of the Cowichan Valley Regional District adopting "CVRD Bylaw No. 4202 - Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Service Establishment Bylaw, 2018" to support regional programs related to drinking water and watershed protection?

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED BYLAWS

"**CVRD Bylaw No. 4201 – Cowichan Housing Association Annual Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw, 2018**" will allow the CVRD to annually requisition up to the greater of \$765,000 or an amount equal to the amount that could be raised by a property value tax of \$0.04584 per \$1,000 of net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area to assist the Cowichan Housing Association with costs associated with providing programs and services related to affordable housing and homelessness prevention in the Cowichan Valley.

"**CVRD Bylaw No. 4202 – Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Service Establishment Bylaw, 2018**" will allow the CVRD to annually requisition up to the greater of \$750,000 or an amount equal to the amount that could be raised by a property value tax of \$0.045050 per \$1,000 of net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area to establish a service for the purpose of drinking water and watershed protection within the Cowichan Valley Regional District.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a synopsis of the proposed bylaws and that this synopsis is not intended to be and is not to be understood as an interpretation of the bylaws. The full bylaws may be inspected online at www.cvrld.bc.ca or at the CVRD Office, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, during regular office hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

GENERAL VOTING

GENERAL VOTING will be open on Saturday, October 20, 2018, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the Frank Jameson Community Centre, 810 - 6th Avenue, Ladysmith.

ADVANCE VOTING

ADVANCE VOTING will be open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., on **Wednesday, October 10** and **Wednesday, October 17**, at Ladysmith Town Hall, 410 Esplanade Avenue, Ladysmith.

ELECTOR REGISTRATION

If you are not on the list of electors, you may register at the time of voting by completing the required application form available at the voting place. To register, you must meet the following qualifications:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day;
- Canadian citizen;
- resident of BC for at least 6 months immediately preceding the day of registration;
- resident of OR registered owner of real property in the municipality in which you wish to register for at least 30 days immediately preceding the day of registration; and
- not disqualified under the Local Government Act or any other enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law.

To register, resident electors must provide **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature), to prove both residency and identity. Picture identification is not necessary. **To register, non-resident property electors** must produce 2 pieces of identification (at least one with a signature) to prove identity; and proof that they are entitled to register in relation to the property, and, if there is more than one owner on title, written consent from a majority of owners is required.

MAIL BALLOT VOTING

Eligible voters may vote by mail if they:

- have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity; or
- expect to be absent from the Town of Ladysmith on October 10, 17, **AND** 20, 2018 (all three days).

Before 4:00 p.m. on October 18, 2018 you must submit the following information to the Town of Ladysmith City Hall, by mail, (410 Esplanade, PO Box 220, Ladysmith BC V9G 1A2), telephone (250.245.6400), fax (250.245.6411) or email (vote@ladysmith.ca):

- (1) Full name
- (2) Residential address
- (3) Address of the property in relation to which you are voting (for non-resident property electors)
- (4) Method of delivery of your mail ballot package:
 - pick up at City Hall, OR
 - regular letter mail through Canada Post to residential address, OR
 - regular letter mail through Canada Post to an alternate address that you provide when requesting the ballot package, and
- (5) If you are not on the list of electors, to ensure you receive the correct registration application form in your package, you must indicate whether you are going to be registering as a resident or non-resident property elector.

The Town will send out mail ballot packages commencing on or about October 1, 2018. To be counted, your mail ballot must be received by Ladysmith's Chief Election Officer no later than 8:00 p.m., on Saturday, October 20, 2018.

K. Harrison, Regional Voting Officer