

PUBLIC NOTICE IS GIVEN to the electors of the Town of Lake Cowichan 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 Centennial Hall, 309 South Shore Road, Lake Cowichan.

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 Tuesday, October 16**, at Lake Cowichan Town Hall, 39 South Shore Road, Lake Cowichan.

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. 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 Lake Cowichan on October 10, 16, **AND** 20, 2018 (all three days).

Applications for mail ballots may be arranged by contacting the CVRD Legislative Services Division at 250.746.2505 on regular business days between 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 25, 2018 and 4:00 p.m., Thursday, October 18, 2018, or online at www.cvrld.bc.ca. Regular office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

K. Harrison, Regional Voting Officer