

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE

BY-LAW #24-2021

Being a By-law to Authorize Voting by Telephone and Internet for the 2022 Municipal Election

WHEREAS section 42 of the *Municipal Elections Act, S.O, 1996*, as amended, provides that the Municipal Council may pass a By-law to authorize the use of alternative voting methods;

AND WHEREAS Council at its meeting held April 12, 2021 considered and approved the use of internet and telephone voting methods for the 2022 Municipal Election in the Town of Shelburne;

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The alternative voting methods of "Vote by Internet" and "Vote by Telephone" are hereby authorized for the 2022 Municipal Election.
2. A Vote by Internet/Telephone information letter will be provided to every person who qualifies to be an elector. The kit will be mailed or directly made available to each qualified elector.
3. The Vote by Internet/Telephone information letter shall consist of a voting instruction sheet including a Personal Identification Number, a list of candidates and such other necessary material as the Municipal Clerk or their designate determines.
4. Every elector has the responsibility of completing the Internet or Telephone vote in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and the policies and procedures authorized by this By-law on or before 8:00 pm on Election Day, Monday October 24, 2022.
5. No proxy voting provisions are applicable at Municipal Elections conducted in accordance with this By-law.
6. The voting period of Internet and Telephone voting will commence at 9:30 am on Tuesday October 11, 2022 and end at 8:00 pm on Election Day, Monday October 24, 2022.
7. The counting of ballots by electronic methods, in keeping with the voting method, is hereby authorized.
8. Any person, Corporation or Trade Union guilty of corrupt practices or contravening the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* or the policies and procedures to be established may be prosecuted pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.
9. Any other previous by-laws authorizing alternative voting methods or containing contrary provisions of this by-law are hereby repealed.
10. This By-law shall come into force and effect on the date of final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND and THIRD TIME in Open Council, and finally passed this the 10th day of May 2021.

MAYOR

CLERK