



VULCAN COUNTY

Vulcan - Alberta

BYLAW 2021-029

Being a bylaw of Vulcan County to establish supplementary procedures to conduct Vulcan County elections.

WHEREAS a local authority may establish election procedures in accordance with the *Local Authorities Election Act*;

AND WHEREAS Vulcan County Council deems it necessary to create enhanced voter accessibility options for residents of Vulcan County.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Vulcan County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be called the "Election Bylaw".

2. Definitions

- a) "Act" means the Local Authorities Election Act, RSA 2000, Chapter L-21, as amended.
- b) "Advance Vote" means a vote taken in advance of Election Day.
- c) "Council" means the municipal council of Vulcan County;
- d) "Election" means a general election, by-election, or a vote on a bylaw or question;
- e) "Returning Officer" means a person appointed under the *Local Authorities Election Act*, and includes a person acting in the returning officers place.

3. General Voting Rules

The provisions of the Act, except as modified by this bylaw, shall apply to all elections conducted by Vulcan County.

4. Voting Station Locations

- a) Each of Vulcan County's electoral divisions are considered to be their own voting subdivision.
- b) The Returning Officer designates the location of all voting stations for each voting subdivision.

- c) The Returning Officer is authorized to designate more than one voting station for a voting subdivision and the locations for those voting stations for that election.

5. Advance Vote

Prior to an Election, Council shall determine the need for an Advance Vote and if required, authorize an Advance Vote by Council resolution. The Returning Officer shall set the date, time and location of an Advance Vote.

6. Early Count

The Returning Officer is authorized to begin counting ballots from the Advance Vote or special ballot vote starting at 7:30 p.m. on Election day.

7. Special Ballots

A vote by special ballot may be authorized by Council resolution to provide for those electors who qualify for this vote pursuant to the terms in the Act.

8. Severability

Each provision of this Bylaw is independent of all other provisions. If any provision is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions of this Bylaw remain valid.

READ a first time on this 16th day of June, 2021
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