

## CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

# NOTICE OF ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITIES AND VOTING BY MAIL BALLOT

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY** given to the electors of the Township of Esquimalt that two **advance voting opportunities** will be held in addition to General Voting Day on April 5, 2025, as follows:

Date:	Time:	Location:
March 26, 2025	8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	1070 Tillicum Road, Esquimalt Gorge Park Pavilion Lower Hall
April 2, 2025	8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	1151 Esquimalt Road, Archie Browning Sports Centre Curling Arena (entrance at back parking lot)

Mail ballot voting is also available to qualified electors as follows:

**To request a mail ballot package,** you must submit an application to the Township of Esquimalt Chief Election Officer before 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. Applications are available at Municipal Hall, 1229 Esquimalt Rd, Esquimalt, BC, V9A 3P1, or online at www.esquimalt.ca. Please note that applications received after 4:30 p.m. on March 25, 2025, will not be mailed out due to mail delivery limitations and alternate arrangements for pick up will need to be made.

To be counted, completed mail ballots must be received by the Chief Election Officer no later than 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 5, 2025. It is the elector's responsibility to ensure that the ballot is received by the Chief Election Officer on time.

### **ELECTOR REGISTRATION**

**If you are not on the list of electors,** you may register at the time of voting by completing the application form available at the voting place and making a declaration that you meet the qualifications to be registered as follows:

#### **Resident Electors:**

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election;
- a Canadian citizen;
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration;
- a resident of the Township of Esquimalt on the day of registration; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election and not otherwise disqualified by law.

#### Non-Resident Property Electors:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day for the election;
- a Canadian citizen;
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration;
- a registered owner of real property in the Township of Esquimalt for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration;
- not entitled to register as a resident elector; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election and not otherwise disqualified by law.

In addition, for non-resident property electors:

- The only persons who are registered owners of the property, either as join tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust.
- If more than one individual is registered as an owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with consent of the majority of the individual owners, register as a non-resident property elector.

#### TO REGISTER AT THE TIME OF VOTING:

**Resident electors** must produce at least **2 pieces of identification** that provide evidence of your identity and residency (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary.

**Non-Resident property electors** must provide **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature) to prove their identity, **proof** that they are entitled to register in relation to the property, and, if there is more than one owner, **written consent** from the majority of the property owners. A Non-resident Property Elector Consent Form is available at the Municipal Hall or on the municipal website.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** on the voting process, please visit https://www.esquimalt.ca/elections or contact:

#### Email: elections@esquimalt.ca

**or** Deb Hopkins Chief Election Officer, 250-414-7135 Sarah Holloway, Deputy Chief Election Officer, 250-414-7157 Victoria McKean, Deputy Chief Election Officer, 250-414-7119