



MEMO / NOTE DE SERVICE

To / Destinataire	Members of the Election Compliance Audit Committee	
From / Expéditeur	David White City Solicitor and Interim City Clerk	
Subject / Objet	Updates regarding election compliance audit application deadlines for the 2022 Municipal Elections	Date: December 29, 2023

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise Members of the Election Compliance Audit Committee (the “Committee”) that the election compliance audit application period for supplementary financial statements from the 2022 Municipal Elections closed on December 28, 2023, at 4:30 pm and no compliance audit applications were received. As such there are no reports for the Committee to consider on this matter.

More information on the compliance audit application deadlines for supplementary financial statements from the 2022 Municipal Elections is set out below.

Compliance audit application deadlines for supplementary financial statements

In accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* (the “MEA”), any eligible elector who believes that a candidate or registered third party advertiser has contravened the campaign finance rules in the MEA may apply for a compliance audit even if the candidate or third party advertiser has not filed a financial statement. Applications for compliance audit must be made within 90 days after the latest of the following dates:

1. The initial financial statement filing date;
2. The date the candidate or third party advertiser filed an initial financial statement, if the statement was filed within 30 days after the applicable filing date;
3. The candidate or third party advertiser’s supplementary filing date, if any; or
4. The date on which the candidate’s extension, if any, expires.

For the 2022 Municipal Elections, three candidates extended their campaign in accordance with Subsection 88.24(4) of the MEA and were required to file a supplementary financial statement by 2 pm on September 29, 2023. No third party advertisers extended their campaign period.

All three candidates filed their supplementary financial statement before 2 pm on September 29, 2023, and the application period for an elector to apply for a compliance audit began on Monday, October 2, 2023, and ended on Thursday, December 28, 2023.

I trust the above noted information is satisfactory. Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact Krista Bressette, Acting Manager, Municipal Elections and French Language Services, by email at krista.bressette@ottawa.ca.

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