

## Document 7

### Detailed By-election Calendar for the Recommended Ward 19 By-election

#### July 15, 2020 – Nomination and Registration Period Begins (following Council enacting the by-law to hold a by-election)

- First day for candidates to file a nomination paper for the Office of Ward 19 Councillor. A candidate's campaign period begins once their nomination paper has been filed, meaning they may begin accepting contributions and spending money on their campaign.
- First day for an individual, corporation, or trade union to file a notice of registration as a third party advertiser. The campaign period for a registered third party begins once their registration paper has been filed, meaning they may begin accepting contributions and spending money on their campaign.

#### August 6, 2020

- First day an election sign can be placed on **private property**.

#### August 21, 2020 – Nomination Day

- Candidates have **until 2 p.m.** to file their nomination paper.
- A candidate who wishes to withdraw their nomination has **until 2 p.m.** to notify the Clerk by filing a written withdrawal.
- Nominations or withdrawals cannot be accepted after 2 p.m.

#### September 5, 2020 – Voters' List Revision Period Begins, Application Period for Special Mail-in Ballot Begins, Signs can be placed on public property

- First day an election sign can be placed on **public property**.
- Am I on the Voters' List? search tool available, allowing electors to check if they are registered to vote and see how their information is currently presented on the voters' list. Electors may use this tool from **September 5 to September 13 at 5 p.m.** to submit an application requesting that their information be updated or that their name be added to the voters' list.
  - Electors may also submit a paper application requesting that their information be updated or that their name be added or removed from the voters' list.

- Electors may also submit an application requesting to vote by special mail-in ballot.
- The Revision Period and Application Period for Special Mail-in Ballot will close on **September 13, 2020 at 5 p.m.**
- Electors may still submit applications to update or add their name to the voters' list at their voting place.

**September 8, 2020 – Candidates Receive Voters' List and Voter Notification Letters Mailed to Eligible Electors**

- Copies of the voters' list available to certified candidates upon written request.
- Voter Notification Letters mailed to eligible electors.

**September 13, 2020 – End of Revision Period and Application Period for Special Mail-in Ballot**

- The online Revision Period ends at 5 p.m.
- Application Period to receive a Special Mail-in Ballot ends at 5 p.m.

**September 14, 2020 – Final Expense Limits Certificate, Interim List of Changes from the Revision Period Provided to Candidates, Special Mail-in Ballot Voter Kits Mailed to Registered Electors**

- Final expense limits certificate to be provided to candidates and third parties by this date.
- Copies of the "Interim List of Changes" to the voters' list are available to certified candidates upon written request.
- The Elections Office will begin mailing Special Mail-in Ballot Voter Kits to the electors who have registered to receive a special mail-in ballot. Electors will have until 4:30 p.m. on October 5, 2020 to mail or deliver their completed special mail-in ballots to the Elections Office, or electors can deliver their special ballot to the Orleans Client Service Centre.

**September 28 and September 29, 2020 – Advance Voting Days**

- Electors can cast their ballot between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

**October 2, 2020 – Final Day for Third Party Advertiser Registrations**

- Last day for an individual, corporation, or trade union to file a notice of registration as a third party advertiser.
- Individuals, corporations, and trade unions have **until 4:30 p.m.** to file their notice of registration.

### **October 5, 2020 – Voting Day**

- With the exception of institutions and retirement homes that may have reduced opening hours, voting places will open at 10 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.
- Electors will have until 4:30 p.m. on October 5, 2020 to mail or deliver their completed special mail-in ballots to the Elections Office.
- Unofficial election results expected by 10:30 p.m.

### **October 7, 2020 – Declaration of Results and Declaration of Office**

- The Clerk is expected to declare the results of the by-election official.
- The new Councillor-elect is expected to take the declaration of office, which is required to take the seat, under Section 232 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

### **November 19, 2020 - Campaign Period Ends**

- Campaign period ends for candidates and registered third parties, meaning they cannot accept any contributions or incur any expenses. Candidates or registered third parties that wish to extend their campaign, due to a deficit, must file a Notice of Extension of Campaign Period, Form 6 by this date.