



NOTICE OF ASSENT VOTING (REFERENDUM)

Castlegar and District Regional Facilities, Recreation, Parks and Leisure Service

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors within the City of Castlegar, Electoral Area I and Electoral Area J of the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) that "Assent Voting" is necessary to determine if the electors are in favour of the Regional District of Central Kootenay Board adopting:

"Castlegar and District Regional Facilities, Recreation, Parks and Leisure Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2597, 2018."

and

"Castlegar and District Regional Facilities, Recreation, Parks and Leisure Service Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2598, 2018."

The vote will be conducted in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

The question to be asked to obtain the assent of the electors shall be:

"Are you in favour of the Regional District of Central Kootenay Adopting Bylaw No. 2597 and Bylaw No. 2598 to provide for the following:

- the establishment of the "Castlegar and District Regional Facilities, Recreation, Parks and Leisure Service" with the annual requisition for the service, including the repayment of borrowing, not to exceed the greater of \$4,346,103 or \$2.04/\$1,000 of net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area; AND
- the borrowing of up to \$22,000,000 dollars, for a term not to exceed 25 years, for capital purposes associated with construction, renovation and expansion of the community and recreational facilities?"

GENERAL VOTING DAY

The General Voting Day will be on **Saturday, June 23, 2018** between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. for qualified electors within the City of Castlegar, Electoral Area I and Electoral Area J as follows:

For the City of Castlegar:
Castlegar Community Complex
2101 6th Avenue, Castlegar, BC

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Castlegar Community Complex
2101 6th Avenue, Castlegar, BC
Pass Creek Community Hall
1989 Pass Creek Road, Pass Creek, BC
Tarry's Community Hall
1986 Highway 3A, Tarry's, BC

For Electoral Area J:
Castlegar Community Complex
2101 6th Avenue, Castlegar, BC
Robson Community Hall
3067 Waldie Avenue, Robson, BC
Ootischenia Community Hall
1119 Columbia Road, Ootischenia, BC

ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITY

The Advance Voting Opportunity shall be on **Wednesday, June 13, 2018** and **Wednesday, June 20, 2018**

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at:

For the City of Castlegar, Area I and Area J:
Castlegar Community Complex
2101 6th Avenue, Castlegar, BC

ELIGIBLE ELECTORS

The *Local Government Act* sets out the qualifications for electors entitled to vote at Local Government Voting and if you qualify, and you are not on the list of electors, you may register at the time of voting by completing the required application form available at the voting place. To register you must meet the following qualifications:

Qualifications for a Resident Elector:
Must meet all of the following requirements:

- on General Voting Day you must be eighteen years of age or older;
- you must be a Canadian citizen;
- you must have resided in British Columbia in accordance with Section 67 of the *Local Government Act* for at least six months immediately preceding the day of registration;
- you must have resided within the area in which the vote is taking place in accordance with Section 67 of the *Local Government Act* for at least 30 days immediately preceding the day of registration;
- you must not be disqualified by the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting on General Voting Day or be otherwise disqualified by law.

Resident electors not on the Voters List and wishing to register on voting day will be required to produce **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature). The identification must prove identity and residency.

Qualifications for a Non-Resident Elector:
Must meet all of the following requirements:

- (b) (c) and (e) above **plus**
- you must have been the registered owner of real property within the area in which the vote is taking place for at least 30 days immediately preceding the day of registration;
- (d)(i) the only persons who are registered owners of the real property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, and are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust;
- you must not be entitled to register as a resident elector for that area;
- if there are more than one registered owner of the property, **only one** of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector.

Non-Resident electors not on the Voters List and wishing to register on voting day will be required to produce the following:

- **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature) to prove identity;
- **Evidence** of ownership in the real property (one of the following):
 - state of title certificate;
 - registered agreement for sale;
 - property tax notice (last); or
 - property assessment notice.

- **Written consent** of a majority of the other property owners (if any) that they are entitled to register for the jointly-owned property. (Consent form may be downloaded from the RDCK website at www.rdck.ca.)

Pursuant to the *Local Government Act*, no corporation is entitled to be registered as an elector or have a representative registered as an elector and no corporation is entitled to vote.

VOTING BY MAIL

The RDCK has recently enacted a bylaw which authorizes voting by mail ballot and establishes the procedures therefor. The only electors who may vote by mail ballot are the following:

- persons who have a physical disability, illness, or injury that affects their ability to vote at an other voting opportunity; and
- persons who expect to be absent from the Regional District of Central Kootenay on The General and Advance Voting Days.

Qualified electors wishing to receive a Mail Ballot Package must apply to the **RDCK** before **June 21, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.** Ballots must be returned to the voting station at the Castlegar Community Complex or to the RDCK at Box 590, 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC by 8:00 p.m., Saturday, June 23, 2018.

SYNOPSIS OF BYLAW NOS. 2597 & 2598

As required by the *Local Government Act*, the following is a synopsis of the Bylaws to be submitted for the assent of the electors:

Bylaw 2597

1) Authorizes the establishment of the Castlegar and District Regional Facilities, Recreation, Parks and Leisure Service with the annual requisition for the service, including the repayment of borrowing, not to exceed the greater of \$4,346,103 or \$2.04/\$1,000 of net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area.

Bylaw 2598

1) Authorizing the borrowing of up to \$22,000,000 dollars, for a term not to exceed 25 years, for capital purposes associated with the construction, renovation and expansion of the community and recreational facilities.

These synopses are not intended to be and are not deemed to be an interpretation of the Bylaws.

TAKE NOTICE that the abovementioned Bylaws may be inspected at the following location:

Regional District of Central Kootenay, 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC, during normal working hours, or is available for viewing on the RDCK website at www.rdck.ca.

For more information

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