

**A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR  
THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS AND OTHER VOTING**

WHEREAS the *Local Government Act* provides that the Council may establish, by bylaw, various procedures and requirements to be applied in the conduct of elections and other voting;

AND WHEREAS under the *Local Government Act*, the Council may provide for, by bylaw, the use of automated voting machines, voting recorders or other devices for voting in elections and other voting;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Comox wishes to establish voting procedures and requirements under those authorities, and use automated voting machines in elections and other voting;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Comox, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

**PART 1 -- INTERPRETATION**

**1. Title**

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Election Bylaw No. 2060".

**2. Definitions**

(1) In this Bylaw, the following terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "Acceptable Mark" means a completed mark, as defined in s. 139 of the *Local Government Act*, that the Vote Counting Unit is able to identify, and that has been made by an elector in the space provided on the Ballot opposite the name of any candidate or opposite the choices of any questions on which the assent or opinion of the electors is sought.
- (b) "Applicant" means an elector who wants to vote by mail and makes a request for a Mail Ballot package.
- (c) "Authorized Person" means a person that the Applicant has authorized, on the Applicant's behalf, to:
  - (i) pick up a Mail Ballot package; or
  - (ii) drop off a completed Mail Ballot package.
- (d) "Automated Vote Counting System" means a system that counts and records votes, processes and stores Election and other voting results and comprises:



- (i) a number of Vote Counting Units, each of which rests on and deposits the voted Ballots into a two-compartment Ballot Box, with
  - (A) one compartment used for voted Ballots and for Returned Ballots which have been re-inserted using the ballot Return Override Procedure, and
  - (B) the other compartment used for the temporary storage of voted Ballots deposited during such time as the Vote Counting Unit is not functioning or being used;
- (e) "Ballot" means a single automated ballot card designed for use in an Automated Vote Counting System, which shows
  - (i) the names of all candidates for each of the offices of Mayor, Councillor and, if applicable, School Trustee; and
  - (ii) all of the choices on all of the questions on which the assent or opinion of the electors is sought.
- (f) "Ballot Box" means a container for voted Ballots.
- (g) "Ballot Return Override Procedure" means the use, by an Election Official, of a device on a Vote Counting Unit that causes the unit to accept a Returned Ballot.
- (h) "Election Official" means the persons appointed under subsection 58(2) of the *Local Government Act* for the administration and conduct of the election.
- (i) "Election Headquarters" means Comox Town Hall, 1809 Beaufort Avenue, Comox BC.
- (j) "Election Materials Transfer Box" means the container(s) containing Election materials that are to be transported from voting places to Election Headquarters.
- (k) "Emergency Ballot Compartment" means one of two separate compartments in the Ballot Box under each Vote Counting Unit into which voted ballots are temporarily deposited in the event that the Unit ceases to function.
- (l) "General Local Election" means an Election held in 2018 and in every fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) year after 2018 for the offices of Mayor, Councillors and, if applicable, School Trustee;
- (m) "General Voting Day" means:
  - (i) for a General Local Election, the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Saturday of October in the year of the Election;
  - (ii) for other Elections, the date set under Sections 54 or 55 of the *Local*



*Government Act*; and

- (iii) for assent voting, the date set under Section 174 of the *Local Government Act*.
- (n) "Mail Ballot" means a voted Ballot that is placed in a sealed envelope, which is then delivered to Election Headquarters or the voting place via mail, courier or hand delivery.
- (o) "Mail Ballot Voting Box" means the container(s) containing the Mail Ballot applications, packages, Register of Mail Ballots, certification envelopes and other information related to Mail Ballot voting.
- (p) "Memory Card" means a computer software cartridge that plugs into the Vote Counting Unit that contains
  - (i) the names of all of the candidates for each of the offices of Mayor, Councillor and, if applicable, School Trustee;
  - (ii) all of the choices on all of the bylaws or other matters on which the opinion or assent of the electors is sought; and
  - (iii) a mechanism to record and retain information on the number of Acceptable Marks made for each.
- (q) "Portable Ballot Box" means a Ballot Box that is used at a voting place where a Vote Counting Unit is not being used.
- (r) "Register of Mail Ballots" means the records that the Chief Election Officer must keep in order to address any challenges to an elector's right to vote.
- (s) "Results Envelope" means the box used to contain, transfer and retain the Results Tapes, Memory Cards, spoiled and unused Ballots and ballot accounts.
- (t) "Results Tape" means the printed record generated from a Vote Counting Unit at the close of voting on General Voting Day, which shows
  - (i) the number of votes for each candidate for each of the office of Mayor, Councillor and, if applicable, School Trustee; and
  - (ii) the number of votes for each choice on all of the bylaws or other matters on which the opinion or assent of the electors is sought.
- (u) "Returned Ballot" means a voted Ballot that was inserted into the Vote Counting Unit by the elector but was not accepted and was returned to the elector with an explanation of the Ballot marking error that caused the Ballot not to be accepted.
- (v) "Secrecy Enclosure" means an open-ended folder, sleeve, envelope or item that is



used to cover ballots to conceal the choices made by each elector.

- (w) "Town" means the Town of Comox.
- (x) "Vote Counting Unit" or "Unit" means the device into which voted Ballots are inserted, and that scans each Ballot and records the
  - (i) number of votes for each candidate for each of the office of Mayor, Councillor and, if applicable, School Trustee; and
  - (ii) number of votes for each choice on all of the bylaws or other matters on which the opinion or assent of the electors is sought.
- (y) "Voting Book" means the book for recording the names of electors.
- (z) "Voting Compartment" means an area that is arranged in such a manner that electors may mark their Ballots screened from observation by others and without interference.

## **PART 2 -- ELECTION PROCEDURES**

### **3. Use of Automated Vote Counting System**

The Chief Election Officer may use an Automated Vote Counting System for the conduct of elections and voting on bylaws or other matters on which the opinion or assent of the electors is sought.

### **4. Elector Registration**

For the purposes of all local elections and assent voting, the most current available Provincial list of voters prepared under the *Election Act* will become the register of resident electors on the 52<sup>nd</sup> day prior to General Voting Day.

### **5. Access to Nomination Documents**

In addition to public access to nomination documents required under section 89(7) of the Local Government Act, the Chief Election Officer will publish nomination document on the Town Internet from as soon as possible after the time of delivery to the Chief Election Officer until at least 30 days after the declaration of the election results.

### **6. Advance Voting Opportunities**

- (1) As required under section 107 of the *Local Government Act*, the following advance voting opportunities will be held:
  - (a) one on the 10<sup>th</sup> day before General Voting Day, and
  - (b) one on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day before General Voting Day.



- (2) As authorized under section 108 of the *Local Government Act*, the Chief Election Officer may
  - (a) establish additional advance voting opportunities, and
  - (b) designate the voting places and set the voting hours for the additional advance voting opportunities.

## **7. Order of Names on Ballot**

As authorized under section 117 of the *Local Government Act*, the order of names of candidates on the Ballot will be determined by lot.

## **8. Number of Scrutineers at Voting Places**

- (1) In accordance with section 120 of the *Local Government Act*, the maximum number of scrutineers for each candidate that may attend at each voting place is one scrutineer for each Ballot Box in use.
- (2) In accordance with section 181 of the *Local Government Act*, for assent voting, the number of scrutineers for the question and the number of scrutineers against the question that may attend each voting place is one scrutineer.

## **9. Resolution of Tie Vote after Judicial Recount**

In the event of a tie vote after a judicial recount, the tie vote will be resolved by conducting a lot in accordance with section 151 of the *Local Government Act*.

## **PART 3 -- MAIL BALLOT PROCEDURES**

### **10. Authorization**

- (1) Voting by Mail Ballot is authorized.
- (2) The Chief Election Officer may establish time limits in relation to voting by Mail Ballot that are not established under this Bylaw.
- (3) The Chief Election Officer may specify authorized drop-off locations for completed Mail Ballot packages.

### **11. Application Procedure**

- (1) A person wishing to vote by Mail Ballot, who is registered as a resident elector or non-resident property elector, must apply to the Chief Election Officer using the prescribed form of application.
- (2) Upon the Applicant making a request for a Mail Ballot, the chief election officer will:
  - (a) make available to the Applicant, a Mail Ballot package which contains:



- (i) the content set out in section 110(7) of the Local Government Act;
  - (ii) additional instructions; and
  - (iii) a statement advising the elector that the elector must meet the eligibility to vote criteria, and
- (b) record in the Register of Mail Ballots and, upon request, make available for inspection:
- (i) the name and address of the elector to whom the Mail Ballot package was issued, unless a request was made under section 78 of the *Local Government Act* to omit or obscure the address; and
  - (ii) the number of the elector;
  - (iii) the name and address of an Authorized Person; and
  - (iv) any other information that the Chief Election Officer deems helpful to maintain the Register of Mail Ballots.
- (3) As per the Applicant's direction, the Chief Election Officer may distribute the Mail Ballot package in any of the following ways:
- (a) by sending the Mail Ballot package by Canada Post;
  - (b) by having the Mail Ballot package picked up by the Applicant at a designated time and location; or
  - (c) By having the Mail Ballot package picked up by an Authorized Person at a designated time and location.
- (4) The Chief Election Officer may request that the Authorized Person show identification and sign a form before providing the Authorized Person with the Mail Ballot package.

## 12. Voting Procedure

- (1) To vote using a Mail Ballot, the elector must mark the Ballot in accordance with the instructions contained in the Mail Ballot package provided by the Chief Election Officer.
- (2) After marking the Ballot, the elector must:
  - (a) place the Ballot in the secrecy enclosure provided and seal the secrecy enclosure;
  - (b) place the secrecy enclosure in the certification envelope, complete and sign the certification printed on such envelope, and then seal the certification envelope;
  - (c) place the certification envelope in the return envelope, and then seal the return envelope; and



mail, or return the return envelope and its contents to the address specified on the return envelope or to an authorized drop-off location, and ensure it is returned no later than the close of voting on General Voting Day.

**13. Receipt of Certification Envelope before close of Voting on General Voting Day**

- (1) Upon receipt of a return envelope, the Chief Election Officer will immediately
  - (a) record the date and time of receipt in the Register of Mail Ballots, and
  - (b) open the return envelope and remove and examine the certification envelope.
- (2) Upon examination of the certification envelope, the Chief Election Officer will:
  - (a) confirm the identity of the elector as an Applicant on the Register of Mail Ballots, and
  - (b) determine the completeness of the certification.

**14. Acceptance or Rejection of Certification Envelope**

- (1) If the Chief Election Officer is satisfied the elector has met the requirements in subsection 13(2), the Chief Election Officer will:
  - (a) mark the certification envelope as "accepted",
  - (b) mark the Register of Mail Ballots as "accepted",
  - (c) place the accepted certification envelope with the other accepted certification envelopes in the Mail Ballot Voting Box, and
  - (d) mark the Voting Book to indicate that the elector has voted.
- (2) Unopened certification envelopes accepted in accordance with subsection (1) will remain in the custody of the Chief Election Officer until 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday two days before General Voting Day in order to deal with any challenges made under section 16 of this Bylaw.
- (3) If the Chief Election Officer is not satisfied the elector has met the requirements in subsection 13(2), the Chief Election Officer will:
  - (a) mark the certification envelope as "rejected",
  - (b) mark the Register of Mail Ballots as "rejected" along with the reasons therefor,
  - (c) place the rejected certification envelope with any other rejected certification envelopes in the Mail Ballot Voting Box, and



- (d) not count the Ballot contained in the certification envelope in the election.
- (4) Unopened certification envelopes rejected under subsection (3) must remain unopened and will be subject to the provisions of section 160 of the *Local Government Act* with regard to their destruction.

## 15. Processing and Counting of Mail Ballots

- (1) At 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday, two days before General Voting Day, the Chief Election Officer, in the presence of at least one other Election Official and any scrutineers and candidate representatives present, will
  - (a) deal with any challenges made under section 16 of this Bylaw;
  - (b) open the accepted certification envelopes and remove the secrecy enclosures containing the Ballots;
  - (c) open the secrecy enclosures and run the Ballots through a Vote Counting Unit, using the Memory Card specified for Mail Ballots, and into a Ballot Box specified for Mail Ballots, where such secrecy enclosures were received from persons whose right to vote using a Mail Ballot has not been challenged, or where such challenge has been resolved and the challenged person permitted to vote; and
  - (d) secure the Ballot Box specified for Mail Ballots to prevent the addition or withdrawal of Ballots.
- (2) Where a return envelope and its contents is received by the Chief Election Officer between 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday, two days before General Voting Day, and the close of voting on General Voting Day, the provisions of sections 12, 13 and 14 will apply and the Chief Election Officer will retain unopened certification envelopes in their possession until the close of voting on General Voting Day.
- (3) At the close of Voting on General Voting Day, the Chief Election Officer, in the presence of at least one other person and any scrutineers and candidate representatives present, will
  - (a) open the Ballot Box specified for Mail Ballots in accordance with section 121 of the *Local Government Act*;
  - (b) open the certification envelopes retained in subsection (2) and remove the secrecy enclosures containing the Ballots;
  - (c) open the secrecy enclosures and run the Ballots through a Vote Counting Unit, using the Memory Card specified for Mail Ballots, and into the Ballot Box specified for Mail Ballots, where such secrecy enclosures were received from persons whose right to vote using a Mail Ballot has not been challenged, or where such challenge has been resolved and the challenged person permitted to vote.



- (c) If the ballot is returned by the Vote Counting Unit, the Chief Election Officer will re-run the returned ballot through the Vote Counting Unit using the ballot return override procedure to count any Acceptable Marks which have been made correctly.
- (4) If the Chief Election Officer receives a return envelope with its contents after the close of General Voting Day, the Chief Election Officer will:
  - (a) mark the return envelope as "rejected";
  - (b) indicate the reason why the return envelope was rejected on the return envelope and the Register of Mail Ballots; and
  - (c) place the unopened return envelope with the other rejected return envelopes.

### **16. Challenge of Elector**

- (1) Sufficient record will be kept by the Chief Election Officer so that challenges of the elector's right to vote may be made in accordance with the intent of section 126 of the *Local Government Act*.
- (2) A person exercising the right to vote by Mail Ballot may be challenged in accordance with, and on the grounds specified in section 126 of the *Local Government Act* until
  - (a) 4:00 p.m. on the Thursday two days before General Voting Day, or
  - (b) the time the person receives a ballot,whichever is later.
- (3) The provisions of sections 126(2) to (5) of the *Local Government Act* apply, so far as applicable, where a challenge of an elector voting by Mail Ballot has been made.

### **17. Elector's Name Already Used**

Where, upon receiving a request for a Mail Ballot, the Chief Election Officer determines that another person has voted or has already been issued a Mail Ballot in the elector's name, the provisions of section 127 of the *Local Government Act* will apply, so far as applicable.

### **18. Replacement of Spoiled Ballot**

- (1) If an elector unintentionally spoils a Mail Ballot before returning it to the Chief Election Officer, the elector may request a replacement Mail Ballot by advising the Chief Election Officer of the Ballot spoilage and by mailing or otherwise delivering by any appropriate means, the spoiled Mail Ballot package in its entirety to the Chief Election Officer or designate.
- (2) Upon receipt of the spoiled Mail Ballot package under subsection (1), the Chief Election Officer will record such fact in the Register of Mail Ballots, record the spoiled Mail Ballot



package as “spoiled” and proceed in accordance with Part 3 of this Bylaw.

## **PART 4 -- AUTOMATED VOTE COUNTING SYSTEM PROCEDURES**

### **19. Automated Voting Procedures**

- (1) At voting places where a Vote Counting Unit is being used, the Chief Election Officer must, if requested, ensure that a demonstration is provided on how to vote using a Vote Counting Unit as soon as an elector enters the voting place and before a Ballot is issued.
- (2) Upon completion of the voting demonstration, if any, the elector must proceed as instructed to the Election Official responsible for issuing Ballots, who, upon fulfilment of the requirements of the *Local Government Act*, must then provide to the elector
  - (a) a Ballot,
  - (b) a Secrecy Enclosure if requested by the elector,
  - (c) the ballot marking instrument, and
  - (d) any further instructions the elector requests.
- (3) Upon receiving a Ballot, the elector must immediately proceed to a Voting Compartment to vote.
- (4) The elector may vote only by making an Acceptable Mark on the Ballot
  - (a) beside the name of each candidate of choice up to the maximum number of candidates to be elected for each of the offices to be filled, and
  - (b) beside the choices of any questions on which the assent or opinion of the electors is sought.
- (5) Once the elector has finished marking the Ballot, the elector must
  - (a) either place the Ballot into the Secrecy Enclosure, if one has been requested, or turn the Ballot face down; and
  - (b) proceed to the Vote Counting Unit and, under the supervision of the Election Official in attendance, run the Ballot directly from the Secrecy Enclosure, if applicable, through the Vote Counting Unit and into the Ballot Box without the Acceptable Marks on the Ballot being exposed.
- (6) If, before running the Ballot through the Vote Counting Unit, an elector determines that a mistake has been made when marking a Ballot, or if the Ballot is returned by the Vote Counting Unit before depositing it into the Ballot Box, the elector may request a replacement Ballot by advising the Election Official in attendance.



- (7) Upon being informed of the replacement Ballot request, the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officer must
  - (a) issue a replacement Ballot to the elector and mark the Returned Ballot "spoiled", and
  - (b) retain all such spoiled Ballots separately from all other Ballots, and
  - (c) not count the Spoiled Ballots in the Election.
- (8) If the elector declines the opportunity to obtain a replacement Ballot and has not damaged the Ballot to the extent that it cannot be re-run through the Vote Counting Unit, the Election Official must, using the Ballot Return Override Procedure, re-run the Returned Ballot through the Vote Counting Unit to count any Acceptable Marks that have been made correctly.
- (9) Any Ballot counted by the Vote Counting Unit is valid, and any Acceptable Marks contained on such Ballots will be counted in the Election, subject to any determination made under a judicial recount.
- (10) Once the Ballot has been run through the Vote Counting Unit and the Unit indicates that the Ballot has been accepted, the elector must immediately leave the voting place.
- (11) During any period that a Vote Counting Unit is not functioning, the Election Official supervising the Unit will direct electors to insert all voted Ballots into the Emergency Ballot Compartment on the understanding that if the Vote Counting Unit
  - (a) becomes operational, or
  - (b) is replaced with another Vote Counting Unitthen the Ballots in the Emergency Ballot Compartment must, as soon as reasonably possible, be removed by an Election Official and, under the supervision of the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officer, be inserted into the Vote Counting Unit to be counted.
- (12) Any Ballots that were temporarily stored in the Emergency Ballot Compartment during a period when the Vote Counting Unit was not functioning, and that are returned by the Vote Counting Unit when being inserted as per subsection 20(11) must, through the use of the Ballot Return Override Procedure and under the supervision of the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officer, be reinserted into the Vote Counting Unit to ensure that any Acceptable Marks are counted.

## **20. Mail Ballot Voting Opportunity Procedures**

A Vote Counting Unit will be used to process and count Mail Ballots, and voting procedures will follow the procedures established by Part 3 of this Bylaw.



## 21. Advance Voting Opportunity Procedures

- (1) Vote Counting Units will be used to conduct the vote at all advance voting opportunities, and voting procedures will follow as closely as possible to those described in section 19 of this Bylaw.
- (2) At the close of voting at each advance voting opportunity, the Chief Election Officer must
  - (a) ensure that the Emergency Ballot Compartment is sealed to prevent any insertion of Ballots,
  - (b) seal the Ballot Box in a manner to prevent the addition or withdrawal of Ballots,
  - (c) ensure the Vote Counting Unit does not generate the Results Tapes,
  - (d) secure the Memory Card in the Vote Counting Unit, and
  - (e) deliver the Vote Counting Unit containing the Memory Card, the Ballot Box and all other election materials to the Chief Election Officer at Election Headquarters.
- (3) At the close of voting at the final advance voting opportunity, the Chief Election Officer must
  - (a) ensure that any remaining Ballots in the Emergency Ballot Compartment are run through the Vote Counting Unit and into the Ballot Box,
  - (b) seal the Vote Counting Unit and Ballot Box to prevent any insertion of Ballots,
  - (c) seal the Ballot Box in a manner to prevent the addition or withdrawal of Ballots,
  - (d) remove the Memory Card from the Vote Counting Unit, place into the Results Envelope;
  - (e) complete a preliminary ballot account for advanced voting, place into the Results Envelope and place the Results Envelope into the Election Materials Transfer Box;
  - (f) ensure the Vote Counting Unit does not generate the Results Tapes, and
  - (g) deliver the Election Materials Transfer Box, Vote Counting Unit, sealed Ballot Box and all other election materials to the Chief Election Officer at Election Headquarters.

## 22. Procedures after the Close of Voting on General Voting Day

- (1) After the close of voting on General Voting Day, the Chief Election Officer will ensure that certification envelopes are processed in accordance with section 15(3) of this Bylaw, and then proceed with subsection 22(2)(b) to (j), as far as applicable, for each of



- (a) the advance voting opportunity,
  - (b) the Mail Ballot voting opportunity, and
  - (c) any special voting opportunities
- where Vote Counting Units were used.
- (2) After the close of voting on General Voting Day, the Chief Election Officer will, for each Vote Counting Unit and Ballot Box in use:
- (a) ensure that any remaining Ballots in any Emergency Ballot Compartment are run through the applicable Vote Counting Unit and into the Ballot Box;
  - (b) seal the Ballot Boxes to prevent the addition or withdrawal of Ballots;
  - (c) generate two copies of the Results Tape from each Memory Card and
    - (i) place one copy into the applicable Results Envelope, and
    - (ii) retain one copy to calculate the Election results;
  - (d) remove the Memory Card from the Vote Counting Unit and place into the Results Envelope;
  - (e) account for the unused and spoiled Ballots and place them, packaged and sealed separately, into the Results Envelope;
  - (f) complete two copies of the ballot account and place
    - (i) one copy into the Results Envelope, and
    - (ii) the duplicate copy into the Election Materials Transfer Box;
  - (g) Seal the Results Envelope and place into the Election Materials Transfer Box;
  - (h) place the Voting Books, List of Electors, keys and all completed forms into the Election Materials Transfer Box; and
  - (i) deliver the Election Materials Transfer Box, Vote Counting Units, sealed Ballot Boxes and all other equipment and materials to Election Headquarters.
- (3) After the close of voting on General Voting Day, all Portable Ballot Boxes used in the Election will be opened, under the direction of the Chief Election Officer, and all Ballots will be removed and run through a Vote Counting Unit and into a Ballot Box to be counted, after which the provisions of subsections 22(2)(b) to (i), as far as applicable, will apply.
- (4) Upon the fulfilment of the provisions of subsections (1) to (3) inclusive, the chief



election officer will, to obtain the election results, direct an election official to place the results in a spreadsheet, which may be used for display in the [location], indicating the total results.

### **23. Recount Procedure**

- (1) If a recount is required, it will be conducted under the direction of the Chief Election Officer using the Automated Vote Counting System and generally in accordance with the following procedure:
  - (a) the Memory Cards of all Vote Counting Units will be cleared;
  - (b) Vote Counting Units will be designated for each voting place;
  - (c) all voted Ballots for the applicable Vote Counting Units will be removed from the sealed Ballot Boxes, except spoiled Ballots, and reinserted into the Vote Counting Unit under the supervision of the Chief Election Officer; and
  - (d) any Ballots returned by the Vote Counting Unit during the recount process will, through the use of the Ballot Return Override Procedure, be reinserted into the Vote Counting Unit to ensure that any Acceptable Marks are counted.
  - (e) at the conclusion of the recount proceedings, the Chief Election Officer will proceed to ensure all Ballot Boxes and Vote Counting Units are closed, sealed, and secured in accordance with section 22 of this bylaw.
  - (f) the Chief Election Officer will ensure that the recount results are tallied and recorded in a spreadsheet indicating the total results.

## **PART 5 -- GENERAL AND REPEAL**

### **24. General**

- (1) Any enactment referred to herein is a reference to an enactment of British Columbia and regulations thereto, as amended, revised, consolidated or replaced from time to time.
- (2) If any part, section, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the decision that it is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder, which shall continue in full force and effect and be construed as if the Bylaw had been adopted without the invalid portion.



**25. Repeal Bylaws**

The following Bylaws are hereby repealed:

- (1) Comox Election and Assent Voting Bylaw No. 1888, 2018
- (2) Comox Election and Assent Voting Bylaw No. 2005, 2022


**PART 6 -- ADOPTION**

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time this

20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026

ADOPTED this

10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2026

  
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MAYOR

  
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CORPORATE OFFICER