



TOWN OF COMOX 2018 GENERAL LOCAL ELECTION

Running for Office

Any Canadian citizen who is eligible to vote in the province of British Columbia is qualified to run for election as a Council member unless he or she:

- works for the Town of Comox (unless a leave of absence is taken to run and the person agrees to resign, if elected);
- is a Federal public service employee (unless they have first requested and obtained prior permission from the Public Service Commission of Canada);
- is a Provincial Court, Supreme Court or Court of Appeal judge;
- has been convicted of an indictable offence and is in custody;
- is involuntarily committed to a psychiatric or other institution; or
- has been disqualified under the *Community Charter* or *Local Government Act*, or any law in force in British Columbia (e.g., guilty of an election offence, failing to file a campaign financing disclosure statement).

The Inspector of Municipalities maintains the List of Disqualified Candidates who were disqualified for not filing the required campaign financing disclosure documents within 150 days after the 2014 General Local Election.

Candidates do not need to live or own property in the Town to be eligible to run for election as a Council member however, they must have resided in BC for at least six consecutive months before filing nomination documents. For more information about becoming a candidate, pick up a nomination package at Town Hall (available now) or plan on attending the Candidate Information session.

Interested individuals are also invited to visit the Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing, Governance & Structure Branch – Local Government Elections website, which contains a variety of information/brochures for individuals interested in [Running](#) for Election.

Candidates may file nomination papers with the Chief Election Officer or the Deputy Chief Election Officer, by appointment, at Town Hall during the Nomination Period which begins at **9:00 am Tuesday, September 4, 2018 and ends at 4:00 pm Friday, September 14, 2018**. Persons unable to deliver nominations in person may swear the documents before a commissioner for taking affidavits in BC and mail, deliver or fax documents to the attention of the CEO or the DCEO by the deadline; however, if sent by fax, the CEO or DCEO must receive the originals by 4:00 pm on Friday, September 21, 2018. From the time of receipt, the nomination documents are available to the public for inspection.

Contacts:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, please contact the Chief or Deputy Chief Election Officer

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