



Council report

Meeting date:	February 1, 2022
Title:	Update to Use of Corporate Resources During an Election Policy
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Recommendation

That council receive the report Update to Use of Corporate Resources During an Election Policy for information.

Executive summary

The Use of Corporate Resources During an Election policy currently in place requires minor housekeeping amendments to improve accessibility and clarity. An updated policy is included in the bylaw portion of the agenda for council's consideration.

Background and discussion

The Municipal Election Act, 1996, as amended, section 88.18, provides that before May 1 in the year of a regular election, municipalities and local boards shall establish rules and procedures with respect to the use of municipal or board resources, as the case may be, during the election period. West Grey currently has a policy in place, adopted by bylaw No. 12-2018; however, it requires minor amendments to improve both accessibility and clarity. The changes are minor in nature and do not change the intent of any part of the policy. Adopting the updated policy and repealing the former one ensures that there is no confusion regarding which version is in force and effect.

Legal and legislated requirements

Municipal Election Act, 1996, as amended.



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Financial and resource implications

None.

Staffing implications

None.

Consultation

N/A

Alignment to strategic vision plan

Pillar: Work together

Goal: Clear communication

Strategy: Create accessible and informative content

Attachments

None.

Next steps

This policy will be included on the municipal website election page upon the passing thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

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