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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

Important Notice to All Chief Administrative Officers and Senior Election Officials

2022 General Municipal Elections

The 2022 general municipal election will take place in accordance with The Municipal Act and The Municipal Councils and School Boards Elections Act. Elections for resort municipalities (Dunnottar, Victoria Beach and Winnipeg Beach) will take place on July 22, 2022. Elections for all other municipalities will take place on October 26, 2022.

Municipal Relations has prepared resources to support municipalities, election officials and candidates throughout the election process. These resources include the 2022 *Election Official's Manual,* the *Chief Administrative Officer's Campaign Finance Manual,* and the *Candidates Guidebook.* These resources, frequently asked questions, and more information, are now available online at: <u>https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/mfas/elections.html.</u>

As communicated in Municipal Relations Bulletin #2021-37 issued July 6, 2021, municipalities are also now responsible to pass by-laws governing the use of municipal resources during the 42 day period before a by-election or general election. A sample by-law is attached for consideration and to support municipalities in meeting this requirement. This sample bylaw is also included in the *Chief Administrative Officer's Campaign Finance Manual*. Please note that this by-law must be passed at least 180 days prior to the general election, in order to take effect for the 2022 general election.

Municipal Governance and Advisory Services will also be providing training and other election related supports and additional resources for election officials throughout 2022. Further information will be provided soon.

Should you require additional assistance, please email <u>mrmaas@gov.mb.ca</u>, or phone 204-945-2572 to speak to a Municipal Services Officer.

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