



Election Day - Oct 17, 2026

Advance Voting Oct 7 & 14

Town of Ladysmith Local Election 2026

NOTICE

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www.ladysmith.ca/election

NOTICE OF ELECTION BY VOTING

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Ladysmith that an election by voting is to be held to elect one Mayor and six Councillors, and that the following persons are candidates for those offices:

MAYOR – One (1) to be elected

Surname	Usual Name	Jurisdiction of Residence
BEESTON	Deena	Town of Ladysmith
GOURLAY	Ray	Town of Ladysmith

COUNCILLOR – Six (6) to be elected

Surname	Usual Name	Jurisdiction of Residence
HALLIDAY	Stephen	Town of Ladysmith
HANSEN	Lynn	Town of Ladysmith
HANSSEN	Tee	Town of Ladysmith
HUTCHINSON	Renée	Town of Ladysmith
MARRINGTON	April	Town of Ladysmith
PENNY	Bethea	CVRD – Area G
SCOTT	John	Town of Ladysmith
VINCENT	Eva	Town of Ladysmith
VIRTANEN	Jeff	Town of Ladysmith

VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

GENERAL VOTING DAY will be on:

Saturday, October 17, 2026	8:00 am to 8:00 pm	Frank Jameson Community Centre gymnasium 810 6 th Avenue, Ladysmith, BC
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ADVANCE VOTING will be held as follows:

Wednesday, October 7, 2026 - and - Wednesday, October 14, 2026	8:00 am to 8:00 pm	Ladysmith City Hall 410 Esplanade, Ladysmith, BC (corner of Roberts Street and Trans-Canada Highway)
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ELECTOR REGISTRATION

If you are not on the list of electors, you may register at the time of voting by completing the application form available at the voting place and making a declaration that you meet the requirements to be registered as set out below.

To register as a Resident Elector you must: • be 18 years of age or older on general voting day, October 17, 2026; • be a Canadian citizen; • be a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration (at time of voting); • be a resident of the Town of Ladysmith on the day of registration (at time of voting); and • not be disqualified under the <i>Local Government Act</i> or any other enactment from voting in an election or assent voting and not otherwise disqualified by law.	To register as a Non-Resident Property Elector you must: • be 18 years of age or older on general voting day, October 17, 2026; • be a Canadian citizen; • be a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration (at time of voting); • be a registered owner of real property in the Town of Ladysmith for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration (at time of voting); • not be entitled to register as a resident elector; and
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In addition, for non-resident property electors:

- The only persons who are registered owners of the property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust.
- If more than one individual is a registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the individual owners, register as a non-resident property elector.

Registering at Time of Voting	
Resident Electors must produce 2 pieces of identification (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary. The identification must prove both residency and identity.	Non-Resident Property Electors must produce 2 pieces of identification (at least one with a signature) to prove identity, proof that they are entitled to register in relation to the property, and, if there is more than one owner of the property, written consent from the majority of the property owners.

MAIL BALLOT VOTING

REQUESTING A MAIL BALLOT PACKAGE:

If you wish to vote by mail, you must submit an [Application to Vote by Mail](#) to the Chief Election Officer. Applications are available on the Town’s website (www.ladysmith.ca) or may be requested using one of the following methods:

- by mail: 410 Esplanade, PO Box 220, Ladysmith BC V9G 1A2
- by email: vote@ladysmith.ca
- by phone: 250-245-6400

MAIL BALLOT RECEIPT DEADLINES

To be counted, mail ballots must be received by the Chief Election Officer by one of the following deadlines:

- Before 4:00 pm on Friday, October 16, 2026**, if delivered to Ladysmith City Hall; or
- By 8:00 pm on General Voting Day, Saturday, October 17, 2026**, if delivered to the voting location at the Frank Jameson Community Centre.

Applications for mail ballots that are approved after October 2, 2026, and request delivery by mail, will be sent as soon as possible. Due to delivery timelines, electors are encouraged to pick up and/or return their mail ballot in person at City Hall, or have someone do so on their behalf, to help ensure the ballot is received by the applicable deadline.

If you are not on the list of electors, you must indicate whether you will be registering as a resident elector or non-resident property elector, to ensure you receive the correct registration application form in your mail ballot package.

The Town will send out mail ballot packages in early October.

QUESTIONS? Please contact: Sue Bouma, Deputy Chief Election Officer
 Hayley Young, Deputy Chief Election Officer