BYLAW 10-24

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF OKOTOKS IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO AMEND ELECTION PROCEDURES BYLAW 35-20

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions in the *Local Authorities Election Act*, Chapter L-21, RSA 2000, as amended *(the Act)*, Council has adopted Bylaw 35-20, being a bylaw to establish election procedures on or before election day; and

WHEREAS Council deems it desirable to amend Bylaw 35-20.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Okotoks enacts that Election Procedures Bylaw 35-20 is amended as follows:

- 1. Under section 2. DEFINITIONS, subsection 2.2, the following definitions are added and all definitions be ordered alphabetically:
 - 1.1 "advance vote" means a vote taken before election day;
 - 1.2 "by-election" means:
 - i. an election to fill a vacancy on a council other than at a general election, or
 - ii. a vote on a bylaw or question;
 - 1.3 "election day" means either:
 - i. the day fixed for voting at a general election; or
 - ii. the day fixed for voting at a by-election;

and does not include advance vote;

- 1.4 "general election" means an election held for all the members of an elected authority to fill vacancies caused by the passage of time;
- 2. Under section 3. NOMINATION FEES, subsection 3.1 is amended by adding the words 'debit card'; and subsection 3.2 be deleted in its entirety;
- 3. Under section 7. INSTITUTIONAL VOTING, subsection 7.1 is amended by deleting the word "shall" and replacing it with the word "may".
- 4. Under section 9. FORM OF BALLOT, subsection 9.2, sub-subsections 1 to 5 are amended to a) to e).

5.	Under section 10. VOTING PROCEDURES, subsection 10.1 is deleted in its entirety and
	replaced with the following:

Voting stations shall be kept open continuously from:

- a) 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on general election election day; and
- b) 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on by-election election day.
- 6. All sections, subsections, and sub-subsections are renumbered accordingly as required.
- 7. That Bylaw 04-21 Election Procedures Amendment is rescinded.

This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon third and final reading, and Bylaw 35-20 and any amendments thereto are hereby amended.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME this day of 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED this day of 2024.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer