

BYLAW NO. 21/002

BEING A BYLAW OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOOD BUFFALO TO AMEND BYLAW NO. 20/021, THE ELECTION BYLAW.

WHEREAS section 191(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, c. M- 26, as amended, empowers the Council of the Municipality of Wood Buffalo to amend its bylaws;

AND WHEREAS section 6 of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, RSA 2000 c. L-21, as amended, provides for the relevant Minister to give directions governing the conduct of a general election;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Municipal Affairs on December 14, 2020 approved *Ministerial Order 103/20* authorizing the use of either debit cards or credit cards in the payment of nomination deposits;

AND WHEREAS section 30(1) of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, RSA 2000 c. L-21, as amended, provides that nominations shall be accompanied by a deposit only where the local authority has passed a bylaw for such requirement;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, duly assembled, hereby enacts the following:

1. THAT the Election Bylaw No. 20/021 is amended by adding the following section directly after section 11:

11.1 Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 11 of this Bylaw, for the purposes of the 2021 general election year, any nomination deposit may also be satisfactorily provided to the Returning Officer by in-person payments using either a debit card or a credit card.

2. This Bylaw comes into force when it is passed.

READ a first time this _____ day of _____, 2021

READ a second time this _____ day of _____, 2021

READ a third and final time this _____ day of _____, 2021

SIGNED and PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2021.

Don Scott, Mayor

Jade Brown, Chief Legislative Officer