

	<p>THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBOURG</p> <p>BY-LAW NUMBER <u>073-2021</u></p>
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A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE VOTING METHODS (INTERNET AND TELEPHONE} IN THE 2022 TOWN OF COBOURG SCHOOL BOARD AND MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

WHEREAS pursuant to section 42 of the Municipal Elections Act, S.O. 1996 provides that a municipal council may pass by-laws authorizing the use of voting and vote-counting equipment and electors to use an alternative voting method that does not require electors to attend at a voting place to vote; and

WHEREAS Council deems it expedient and necessary to employ Internet and Telephone Voting for the 2022 School Board and Municipal Election;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cobourg enacts as follows:

1. THAT the use of electronic voting by Internet and Telephone as alternative voting methods is hereby authorized in respect of the school board and municipal election to be held in 2022 pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Election Act*.
2. THAT the Municipal Clerk/Returning Officer shall establish procedures and required forms for the alternative voting methods and electronic vote counting equipment in accordance with Section 3 of the *Municipal Elections Act*.
3. THAT the counting of ballots by electronic methods, in keeping with the voting method, is hereby authorized.
4. THAT the Municipal Clerk/Returning Officer is authorized to enter into agreements with selected vendors necessary for the election.
5. THAT this by-law shall take effect upon the date of passing.

By-law read and passed in Open Council this 20th day of September 2021.

MAYOR

MUNICIPAL CLERK