



## Filing Deadline Approaching for By-Election Candidates

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VICTORIA, BC — Potential council candidates for Victoria's upcoming by-election are reminded that the deadline to file nomination papers is Friday, October 15 at 4 p.m.

Only those candidates whose nomination papers are received at the Office of Legislative Services at City Hall before the deadline and who are declared candidates will appear on the ballot. Late nomination papers will not be accepted.

After the 4 p.m. deadline on October 15, the Chief Election Officer will officially declare the list of candidates running for Council in the by-election. That list will be available online on October 15 at 5 p.m. On Monday, October 25, the Chief Election Officer will officially declare the Notice of Election.

The by-election will be held on Saturday, November 20. At the same time, eligible voters will be asked to vote on whether they approve the City of Victoria borrowing \$49.2 million to replace the Johnson Street Bridge.

Advanced voting for those unable to vote on November 20 will be held at Victoria City Hall on Wednesday, November 10 and Monday, November 15 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on both days. Mail balloting will be available for eligible voters unable to attend a voting place because of illness or disability, or because they will be away during both advanced and general voting days.

The by-election is occurring in order to fill the vacancy left by former Council member Sonya Chandler, who resigned earlier this year. Under the Community Charter, by-elections are required to fill a vacancy that occurs due to the resignation of an elected official between general local elections.

For more information visit [www.victoria.ca](http://www.victoria.ca) and click on *2010 Council By-Election and Bylaw Referendum* under *Quick Links*.

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