



NOTICE OF MOTION

Submitted in accordance with sections 54, 55, 56, 57, and 58 of
Procedure Bylaw C-7907-2019

Presented By: Councillor Samanntha Wright, Division 8

Seconded By: Councillor Crystal Kissel, Division 9

This notice of motion is read into the Council record on **December 22, 2020**. The motion as read into the record will be debated on **January 12, 2021**.

TITLE: **Voter Identification for Rocky View County Municipal Elections**

WHEREAS The Alberta Government has a provision stating that an elected authority can, by bylaw, require additional verification or a combination of verification to establish a person's specific current address;

AND WHEREAS Vouching is permitted in a municipal election;

AND WHEREAS A number of residents have complained that it is much more difficult for them to locate County public notices and information since Rocky View has stopped posting this type of information in the Rocky View Weekly;

AND WHEREAS World events have raised significant controversy around the integrity of elections;

AND WHEREAS The provincial list of acceptable identification is based on the assumption that the voter's name is already on a list of electors;

AND WHEREAS Rocky View County does not have and does not intend to have a County list of electors for the 2021 municipal election;

AND WHEREAS Changing identification requirements does not add costs for either electors or the County;

AND WHEREAS Improving trust in the County's electoral process reinforces Rocky View County's Strategic Plan's core values of integrity and accountability;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: that Administration be directed to create a bylaw stating that all Rocky View residents who are voting in municipal elections shall:

- a) provide one piece of government issued photo identification clearly showing the voter's name and current address, e.g. driver's license; or
- b) two pieces of identification, both of which must have the voter's name, one of which must be government issued and one of which must have the voter's name and current address. In the case of using two pieces of identification, the names on both pieces must match

Furthermore, a person who chooses to vouch for another elector must be able to prove their identity and address through the above-mentioned means. And lastly, consideration in the Bylaw that an individual can vouch for only one person (except in long-term care institutions).