

LIST OF 2022 ELECTION CODE AMENDMENTS

1. CHIEF AND COUNCIL TERM

a. Extends Chief and Council Term to 3 years

2. NOMINATION PERIOD

a. Extends the Nomination Period to 50 days

3. NOMINATION FORM

a. Requires candidates to obtain endorsement signatures from five (5) Stellat'en voters as part of their *Nomination Package*

4. NOMINATION FEE

a. Requires candidates to submit a \$100 Fee (cash, cheque, or transfer) as part of their *Nomination Package*

5. CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK

a. Requires candidates to submit their own Criminal Record Check as part of their *Nomination Package*

6. GOVERNANCE TRAINING

a. Requires candidates to include Proof of Completion of Governance Training as part of their *Nomination Package*

7. HUMAN RESOURCE POLICY APPLICATION

a. Applies relevant Stellat'en Human Resource policies to Chief and Council through their Oath of Office

8. ONLINE VOTING

a. Allows members to vote either in-person, by mail, or online

9. PENDING CHARGES OR CONVICTION

a. Requires Chief and Councillors charged with a serious criminal offence to take a leave of absence

b. Requires Chief and Councillors convicted of a serious criminal offence to resign from Council

10. BAND EMPLOYEES AS COUNCILLORS

a. Allows Stellat'en Employees elected to Council to have their employment at the Band held for one (1) Council Term

11. ELECTORAL NOTICES

a. Allows communications related to the election process to be delivered by hand, by mail, or by email.

What to Know About Voting in the Next Stellat'en Election

ELECTION CODE AMENDMENTS

**Next Election:
July 28, 2022**



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New changes to our custom Election Code

On Thursday, April 7, 2022, Stellat'en First Nation held a Community Meeting to vote on 12 proposed amendments to our custom Election Code.

The amendments were developed based on engagement that took place from November 2021 through to February 2022, with guidance from the *Election Amendment Oversight Committee*.

Membership approved 11 of 12 amendments by a majority vote. These changes are in effect for the upcoming Council Election on July 28, 2022.



Ways to Vote

STELLAQUO

New Hall, 559 Meljaiya Ti
8:00 am to 8:00 pm

BY MAIL

Mail-in ballots will no longer automatically be sent to each voter. If you wish to vote by mail, you must **request a mail-in voting package by Thursday, July 7, 2022.**

Please fill out and return your mail-in ballot as early as possible. It must be received **on or before 8:00 pm on July 28, 2022.**

ONLINE

On Monday, June 13, 2022, the Electoral Officer will mail each Stellat'en voter a unique, one-time access code to vote through a secure online voting system.

Once you receive your online voting access code, you have until **8:00 pm on July 28, 2022**, to cast your ballot electronically.



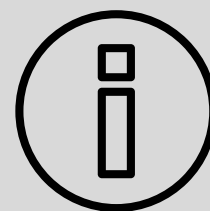
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Electoral Notices & Communications

Another change to the Election Code is that notices and communications related to the election process can now be delivered to members by hand, by mail, or by email.

NOTE: Please update your address and/or email address **by June 8, 2022** - *especially* if you plan to vote by mail or online.

Key Changes:



1 - NOMINATION PACKAGE

- Candidates must submit a *Nomination Package* at or before the Nomination Meeting (June 8, 2022).
- **Note:** Candidates will no longer be nominated and seconded by members at the Nomination Meeting.

2 - MAIL-IN BALLOTS BY REQUEST ONLY

- You must request a Mail-in Ballot by July 7, 2022.
- If you do not request a Mail-in Ballot, you will still be able to vote either in-person or online.

3 - SECURE ONLINE VOTING

- You can vote online, starting at 8:00 am on Monday, June 13, until 8:00 pm on Thursday, July 28.



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