

Advance Voting Begins Tuesday, October 8, 2013

Eligible voters who are unable to cast their ballot at their neighborhood voting station on October 21, 2013 can take advantage of the ten full days of <u>advance voting</u> beginning Tuesday, October 8, 2013.

"Edmonton Elections is committed to making the voting process as easy as possible for Edmonton residents. We want to ensure that all eligible voters have the opportunity to vote, no matter what their circumstances," says Laura Kennedy, Director of Elections. "That's whywe're offering more advance vote hours this election than ever



Citizens can cast their ballot at City Hall or at the <u>designated voting station for their ward</u> from October 8 to 12 and 15 to 19. Voting stations will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hours will be extended from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on October 10 and 17.

On October 16 and 17, Edmonton Elections will set up on-site voting stations at <u>facilities that are home to seniors</u> with acute medical and mobility challenges who are unable to get regular voting stations. Edmonton Elections will also help coordinate <u>mail-in ballot services</u> for other senior residences and facilities.

For the first time, Edmonton Elections is offering advance voting at several post-secondary campuses. A voting station will be available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at NAT on October 15, MacEwan University on October 16, and the University of Alberta on October 17. Students living in anyward in the Citywill be able to cast their ballot at one of these voting stations.

All advance vote locations will offer voters with special needs the opportunity to vote independently using an AutoMARK, which is an electronic ballot marking device.

Voters who will be out of the city or who are unable to reach their voting station due to a disability also still have time to request a mail-in ballot. Call 780-442-VOTE or apply online at edmontonspecialballot.com.

The voter identification requirements have changed for the 2013 Edmonton Election. Voters must present **one piece** of authorized identification that establishes **both** their name **and** current residential address in order to vote. An Alberta Driver's Licence, personal cheque or residential utility bill are included in the list of acceptable forms of ID.

The City's website <u>edmonton.ca/advancevote</u> has everything voters need to know about advance voting, acceptable ID, eligibility to vote, wards, the voting process and much more.

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