

First week advance vote turnout

Over the first five days of [advance voting](#) for the 2013 Election, 8,438 Edmonton residents cast their ballot at either City Hall or at the designated voting station for their ward. In comparison, 6,198 voters cast their ballot in the first week of advance voting in the 2010 election.

"It's difficult to predict Election Day voter turnout based on Advance Vote numbers," says Alayne Sinclair, Returning Officer. "But, we're definitely pleased with the turnout at the Advance Votes so far."



The final voter turnout for advance voting will be released Saturday, October 19, 2013 after the voting stations close at 5 p.m.

Voters still have an opportunity to cast their ballot prior to Election Day on October 21, 2013. City Hall and voting stations in the four quadrants of the City will be open Tuesday, October 15, Wednesday, October 16, Friday, October 18, and Saturday, October 19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and extended hours of 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 17.

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-town or who are unable to reach a voting station due to a disability still have time to request a [Special \(Mail-in\) Ballot](#). Call 780-442-VOTE (8683) or apply online at edmontonspecialballot.com.

Every Edmonton household should have received a *Where to Vote* notice in the mail this week. These notices advise occupants of the voter eligibility and ID requirements, where to find their [Advance Vote](#) and [Election Day](#) voting station, and [what candidates are running in their ward](#).

Residents are reminded to share the information in the notice with all eligible voters at their address. Voters are also encouraged to bring the notice with them to the voting station. It will help voting station staff to confirm that they are in the right voting station and provide the correct ballot.

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 edmonton.ca/advancevote has everything voters need to know about advance voting, acceptable ID, eligibility to vote, wards, the voting process and much more. Election workers will also be on hand at all voting stations to answer questions about the voting process or to provide assistance if requested.

For all the latest news and information on the 2013 Election, follow us on twitter [@EdmElections](https://twitter.com/EdmElections) #yegvote, join our [facebook event](#) or download the [mobile app](#).

Election Day is Monday, October 21, 2013.

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