

WHAT ARE WE VOTING ON?

Bylaw No. 328 - First Responder Service Initiative

If adopted, Bylaw No. 328 would authorize the SRD to annually requisition not more than \$45,000 (or \$0.1443 per 1,000 of property assessment) through taxation of real property within Electoral Area B (Cortes Island) for the purpose of training, equipping and deploying personnel to provide first aid during medical emergencies until such time as those personnel have been relieved by ambulance paramedics.*

Bylaw No. 341 - Community Hall Service Initiative

If adopted, Bylaw No. 341 would authorize the SRD to annually requisition not more than \$80,000 (or \$0.2405 per 1,000 of property assessment) through taxation of real property within Electoral Area B (Cortes Island) for the purpose of providing financial assistance to the Whaletown Community Club and the Southern Cortes Community Association for specified operational costs at the Whaletown Community Hall and the Mansons Landing Community Hall.*

* The above are synopses of Bylaws No. 328 & 341 and are not intended as interpretations of each and every provision contained therein. These bylaws may be examined in their entirety at www.srd.ca or in person at the SRD office.



If you have any questions please contact Thomas Yates, Chief Election Officer or Edith Watson, Deputy Chief Election Officer

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Electoral Area B – Cortes Island VOTER'S GUIDE

Bylaws No. 328 and 341

Bylaw No. 328

Bylaw No. 341

Residential Property Value	Residential Tax Estimate	Residential Property Value	Residential Tax Estimate
\$50,000	\$6.71	\$50,000	\$11.92
\$100,000	\$13.41	\$100,000	\$23.85
\$200,000	\$26.82	\$200,000	\$47.69
\$500,000	\$67.02	\$500,000	\$119.23

The above amounts include Provincial tax collection fees of 5.25%.

Third Party Advertising - Persons and organizations wishing to sponsor third party advertising for or against the questions to be decided in these assent voting opportunities are reminded that such advertising is regulated under the Local Elections Campaign Financing Act. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Elections BC at electionsbc@elections.bc.ca or 1-800-661-8683 for more information.

Election Offences - It is a serious offence to vote when not entitled to do so, or to vote more than once, or to induce a person to vote or refrain from voting, or to intimidate an elector with the intent of affecting the outcome of the vote, or to remove a ballot from the place of voting or transfer a ballot to another person.



WHERE CAN I VOTE?

General Voting Day

Saturday, October 26, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

- Mansons Community Hall, 983 Beasley Road, Cortes Island
- Gorge Hall, 1375 Robertson Road, Cortes Island
- Strathcona Regional District office, 990 Cedar Street, Campbell River

Qualified electors may vote at the polling location of their choice.

Advance Voting Opportunities

Wednesday, October 16, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 23, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The advance voting opportunities will be held at the SRD office located at 990 Cedar Street, Campbell River, B.C.

No elector may vote more than once on any question to be decided.

Mail Ballot Voting

Available to qualified electors who:

- have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity, or
- expect to be absent from the Regional District on general voting day and at the times of all advance voting opportunities, or
- reside on the mainland of B.C. or on any island except for Cortes Island, Quadra Island or Vancouver Island.

Mail ballot applications in the prescribed form will be received by the Chief Election Officer until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 18, 2019 and are available online at www.srd.ca, by mail or in person at the SRD office during regular business hours. Mail ballots must be received by the Chief Election Officer before the close of voting on Saturday, October 26, 2019 in order to be counted and included in the voting results.

If you have been provided with a mail ballot you will not be able to obtain another ballot at any voting location.

AM I ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

You may only register to vote at the time of voting. There is no advance registration available. Registration forms will be available at voting locations or online at www.srd.ca for those who wish to prefill forms to bring to voting locations.

Inclusion on the list of registered electors for British Columbia or Canada will not automatically qualify a person to register for voting on Bylaws No. 328 or 341 or to obtain a ballot.

All electors must meet the following qualifications:

- Canadian Citizenship
- 18 years of age or older on general voting day
- Resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months at the time of registration
- Not otherwise disqualified from voting

Resident Electors

Qualified resident electors must be a resident of Electoral Area B (Cortes Island) for at least 30 days immediately preceding voting registration. Proof of identity and residency must be provided with signed registration form to vote.

Non-Resident Property Electors

Electors not residing on Cortes Island but who own real property within Electoral Area B (Cortes Island) for at least 30 days immediately preceding voting registration may be eligible to vote. Proof of identity and property ownership must be provided with signed registration form to vote.

If more than one person is registered as an owner of the property in question, the person wishing to cast the vote for that property must provide at the time of registration, written consent from a majority of the property owners. Non-resident property electors may only vote once within a voting jurisdiction regardless of the number of properties owned.

No corporation is entitled to register as an elector or to appoint a representative to register as an elector.

WHAT DOCUMENTS DO I NEED TO BRING?

All electors must produce at the time of registration, at least **two pieces** of identification (one with a signature) Picture identification is not necessary. Documentation must provide evidence of both residency and identity.

Acceptable documents include:

- British Columbia Driver's Licence
- British Columbia ID Card
- British Columbia Services Card
- ICBC Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Licence
- British Columbia CareCard or Gold CareCard
- Ministry of Social Development and Economic Security Request for Continued Assistance Form SDES8
- Social Insurance Card
- Citizenship Certificate
- Real property tax notice
- Bank/Credit card or statement
- Utility bill

Non-Resident Property Electors

In addition to the above requirements, electors not residing on Cortes Island will be required to produce documentation that confirms entitlement to vote for the property in question. Accepted documents include a current State of Title certificate or property tax notice.