

A bylaw to authorize the establishment of an Election Reserve

WHEREAS, it is deemed desirable to establish a reserve fund to provide for costs related to holding an Election;

AND WHEREAS Section 188 of the *Community Charter* authorizes Council to establish a reserve fund for a specified purpose and direct that money be placed to the credit of the reserve fund;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Courtenay, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. That a reserve fund be hereby established under the provisions of Section 188 of the Community Charter to be known as the "Election Reserve".
- 2. This Bylaw shall be cited as "Election Reserve Bylaw No. 3160, 2024".
- 3. Amounts included in the financial plan adopted under Section 165 of the *Community Charter* will be paid into this reserve fund.
- 4. That funds in the Election Reserve, including interest earned, may only be used for the purpose of holding an election.
- 5. The accumulated funds in the Election Reserve are not to exceed the optimum balance representing 100% of the prior election's actual cost.
- 6. If any portion of this Bylaw is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion shall be severed and the remainder of the Bylaw shall remain in full force and effect.

Read a first time this ____ day of _____, 202_

Read a second time this ____ day of _____, 202_

Read a third time this ____ day of _____, 202_

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 202_

Mayor Bob Wells