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## **Media Release**

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## CANDIDATE NOMINATION PACKAGES NOW AVAILABLE

**SUMMERLAND** – Individuals seeking to run for Mayor or Council in the 2022 general local election can now pick up candidate nomination packages at Municipal Hall, 13211 Henry Avenue, or by requesting a package via email at <u>elections@summerland.ca</u>. The package contains the necessary documents and information prospective candidates need to begin their nomination process.

The nomination period begins Tuesday, August 30 and runs until Friday September 9. Nomination packages must be submitted by 4:00pm on September 9. Nomination packages will only be received by the Chief Election Officer, or the deputy Chief Election Officer, by appointment during this period.

## Eligible candidates must be:

- B.C. residents for at least six months before filing their nomination documents.
- At least 18 years old on general voting day (October 15, 2022).
- A Canadian citizen.
- Not disqualified under the Local Government Act or prohibited by any other enactment from voting, being nominated, being elected to or holding public offices, or otherwise disqualified by law.

Council's new four-year term officially begins with an inaugural meeting on November 7, 2022. Mayor and Councillors will serve the community until the next election in October 2026.

Other significant nomination dates and deadlines include:

- Tuesday, September 13 at 4 p.m. Deadline for submitting challenges to nominations and for endorsements from elector organizations.
- **Friday, September 16 at 4 p.m.** Deadlines for candidate withdrawals from the election and withdrawals of candidates endorsed by elector organizations. Decisions are issued on candidate nomination challenges.

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