



PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that the Council of the Town of St. Paul is proposing to pass a bylaw pursuant to Section 53.01 of the Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA).

The **Voter ID Bylaw (Bylaw 2021-03)** establishes the number and types of identification (ID) that are required to be produced by a person to verify the person's name and current address used to confirm the person's eligibility to vote at any Town election or joint election.

Highlights of the Bylaw include:

- Choose from 1 of the 3 ID options;
- Your name and address must be printed on the ID and cannot be added in by hand;
- The Town will accept any e-statements / e-invoices shown on a mobile device.

On January 25, 2021 Council passed 1st Reading of the proposed bylaw. To obtain a copy of the proposed bylaw, you may go to: <https://townstpaul.civicweb.net>, then click Document Center>Bylaws-Proposed.

Residents are encouraged to present a written submission no later than **February 15, 2021 (12:00 Noon)**. Written submissions will be included in the Council agenda package and should be clearly marked to include the Bylaw number. To continue to provide a safe environment during the COVID-19 pandemic, methods for citizen input have been modified. Alternative methods to submit input could be provided if a resident does not have access to a computer or email.

The names and addresses of persons providing comments will become part of the public record. Other personal information is protected by the privacy provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. For more information please email: election@town.stpaul.ab.ca or phone:

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**BYLAW 2021-03
OF THE
TOWN OF ST. PAUL**

BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF ST. PAUL IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING VOTER IDENTIFICATION (ID) REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TOWN OF ST. PAUL'S ELECTIONS OR ANY JOINT ELECTION.

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 53.01 of the Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA), R.S.A. 2000, c. L-21, An elected authority may, by a bylaw passed no later than 6 months prior to nomination day of a year in which an election is to be held, provide for the number and types of identification that are required to be produced by a person to verify the person's name and current address for the purpose of determining whether the person is eligible to vote; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 53.01(5) of the Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA), R.S.A. 2000, c. L-21, before passing this bylaw, the bylaw must be advertised.

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority and pursuant to the provisions of the said Municipal Government Act, and by virtue of all other enabling powers, the Council of the Town of St. Paul, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

1.1 This Bylaw shall be known as the "Voter ID Bylaw".

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 The definitions as stated in the Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA) shall apply to this bylaw.

3. IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT ID

3.1 The Town will accept pieces of ID in their original format. If your document was issued electronically, like an e-statement or an e-invoice, bring a printout or show it on a mobile device.

3.2 The pieces of ID required for a municipal election are not the same as for a provincial or a federal election.

Mayor Initials: _____

CAO Initials: _____

- 3.3 Your name and address must be printed on the ID. They can't be added by hand.
- 3.4 We accept different pieces of ID from the same source if the documents serve different purposes. For example, we accept an invoice and a transcript from the same school.

4. **VOTER IDENTIFICATION (ID)**

- 4.1 The list of authorized ID's are attached in **SCHEDULE A – LIST OF AUTHORIZED IDENTIFICATION (ID)**.

5. **EFFECTIVE DATE / REPEAL DATE**

- 5.1 This Bylaw shall come into effect upon passing of the third and final reading.

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR _____ THAT BYLAW 2021-03 BE GIVEN FIRST READING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR _____ THAT BYLAW 2021-03 BE GIVEN SECOND READING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR _____ THAT 2021-03 BE GIVEN THIRD AND FINAL READING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

Maureen Miller
Mayor


Kim Heyman
Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor Initials: _____

CAO Initials: _____

SCHEDULE A – LIST OF AUTHORIZED IDENTIFICATION (ID)

When registering to vote, you must show identification to prove your name and current physical/street address.

OPTION 1	<p>Show 1 piece of government issued ID:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alberta driver's license; • Alberta Identification (ID) card. <p>Note: The ID MUST contain your photograph, full legal name, and current street address in the Town of St. Paul.</p>	OPTION 2	<p>Show 2 pieces of ID:</p> <p>Both must have your name and at least 1 must have your current street address. See below for the list of accepted IDs for Option 2.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	OPTION 3	<p>If you don't have ID:</p> <p>You can still vote if you declare your identity and address in writing and have someone who knows you and who is assigned to your polling station vouch for you. The voucher must be able to prove their identity and address. A person can vouch for only 1 person (except in long-term care institutions).</p>
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ID FROM A GOVERNMENT OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY

Alberta wildlife ID Number (WIN) card, Alberta service dog ID card, band membership or indian status card, birth certificate, Canadian Citizenship card or certificate, Canadian Armed Forces ID card, Canadian Citizenship card or certificate, Canadian permanent resident card, Canadian Pleasure craft operator card, firearm possession and acquisition license (PAL), government cheque or cheque stub, government statement of benefits, income tax assessment, library card, license or card issued for fishing, trapping or hunting, marriage certificate, Metis Nation of Alberta Membership card, old age security card, property tax notice from the Town of St. Paul, social insurance number card, vehicle ownership or registration, veterans affairs health care ID card, driver's license with a post office box mailing address may be used in combination with another piece of ID showing your current physical address.

ID FROM A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

Account statement, bank or credit card, credit card statement, insurance policy certificate or statement, mortgage statement, pension plan statement, personal cheque.

ID FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER

Alberta Health Services – Patient Wristband, Canadian blood services card, CNIB card, hospital or medical identification card, prescription bottle insert or container.

ID FROM AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

Correspondence issued by an educational institution, student ID card.

ID FROM AN EMPLOYER, LANDLORD, OR UTILITY COMPANY

Employee ID card, residential lease or sub-lease document, utility bill (eg. Electricity, water, telecommunications services including telephone, cable or satellite.)

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