

Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting

From: Jana Nethercott, Clerk

Date: 2023-04-13

Subject: Municipal Elections Act – Report to Public on Financial Filing Compliance

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Jana Nethercott, Clerk Re: Report to Public on Finance Filing Compliance for information purposes.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to fulfill a legal requirement under the *Municipal Elections Act*, and report on the Financial Filing Compliance for candidates from the 2022 Municipal Election.

Background:

Section 88.23 (4)(5) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 specifies that:

- (4) The clerk shall make available to the public a report setting out all candidates in an election and indicating whether each candidate complied with section 88.25; and,
- (5) The report mentioned in subsection (4) shall be made available on a website or in another electronic format as soon as possible after,
- (a) April 30 in the year following a regular election; and
- (b) 90 days after a voting day in a by-election.

As provided within the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, this report must identify any candidate or third-party advertiser that:

- failed to file any required document(s);
- identified a surplus on their financial statement and did not pay it to the clerk by the required date; or
- identified on their financial statement that they incurred expenses in excess of the appropriate limit(s).

This report confirms that all registered candidates successfully complied with section 88.25. No third party advertisers were registered for the 2022 Municipal Election in the Municipality of West Elgin.

Respectfully submitted by, Jana Nethercott, Clerk