



## GAMBIER ISLAND LOCAL TRUST AREA 2005 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Are you eligible to vote at the November elections for Trustee for the Gambier Island Local Trust Area, or for voting on bylaws or other questions as may be required? Is your name on the current list of electors?

If you are not sure you can find out by calling or visiting the Sunshine Coast Regional District at 1975 Field Road, Sechelt, B.C. V0N 3A1. Telephone number 604 885-2261. The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding holidays).

### ELECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

#### RESIDENT ELECTORS:

- age 18 or older; and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a resident of the Gambier Island Local Trust Area for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- not disqualified by any enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law.

#### NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS:

- age 18 or older; and
- a Canadian citizen; and
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- a registered owner of real property in the Gambier Island Local Trust Area for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- the only persons who are registered owners of the real property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust; and
- the person registering as a non-resident property elector is not entitled to register as a resident elector; and
- not disqualified by any enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law; and
- **if there is more than one registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector.**
- **A person may only register as a non-resident property elector in relation to one parcel of real property in a jurisdiction.**

**Note:** No corporation is entitled to be registered as an elector or have a representative registered as an elector and no corporation is entitled to vote.

### ADVANCE NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR REGISTRATION

(IF YOU QUALIFY AS A NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR,  
PRE-REGISTRATION IS RECOMMENDED\*)

Advance non-resident property elector registrations will be accepted at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office until September 27, 2005. (See box at top of ad for address and times) For your name to appear on the List of Registered Electors, your completed registration form, together with other required documentation (written consent of a majority of owners of the property where necessary, and proof of ownership) must be received at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office on or before that date. Advance registration for non-resident property electors does not reopen until Monday, November 21, 2005.

A Certificate will be issued to non-resident applicants, if eligible, whose forms are received after September 27, 2005. Because they will not be on the List of Registered Electors, the applicant **must** take the Certificate to the voting place. The *Local Government Act* permits application for a Certificate to be made up to and including voting day. However, to ensure that all necessary paperwork is in order, it is recommended that application be made as early as possible.

**If as a non-resident property elector, you choose to apply to register on voting day, you must have the following documentation with you: proof of ownership, two pieces of identification (one of which must contain**

**your signature), written consent of a majority of the property owners if there is more than one owner (forms available through the Sunshine Coast Regional District office). Registration forms will be available prior to voting day from this office or at the voting places on voting day.**

*\* Please note that Gambier Island Local Trust Area electors who own property on Passage, Bowyer or Grebe Islands are included within the boundaries of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD) Electoral Area A rather than the Sunshine Coast Regional District and as such will be required to register in accordance with GVRD procedures. Registration for GVRD electors will take place on voting day only. Please contact Chris Plagnol at the GVRD – (604) 432-6338 for further information.*

## **RESIDENT ELECTOR REGISTRATION**

There is no advance registration for resident electors. Eligible resident electors, who are not on the List of Registered Electors, may apply to register on voting day by providing at least two pieces of identification (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary. The identification must prove both residency and identity of the elector. If an elector does not have documentation showing residency, two pieces of identification are still required (at least one with a signature) and the elector must make a solemn declaration as to the applicant's place of residence.

## **LIST OF REGISTERED ELECTORS**

Beginning October 4<sup>th</sup> until the close of general voting for the election on November 19, 2005, a copy of the list of registered electors will, upon signature, be available for public inspection, at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office at the address and times shown in the box at the top of this notice. Electors have the right to request that personal information be omitted or obscured on the list in order to protect their personal privacy or security. Please contact the Chief Election Officer for further details on the exclusion of personal information from the list.

## **OBJECTION TO REGISTRATION OF AN ELECTOR**

An objection to the registration of a person whose name appears on the list of registered electors may be made in accordance with the *Local Government Act* until 4:00 pm on October 14, 2005. An objection must be in writing and may only be made by a person entitled to be registered as an elector of the Gambier Island Local Trust Area and can only be made on the basis that the person whose name appears has died or is not qualified to be registered as an elector of the Gambier Island Local Trust Area.

## **RECORD OF NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTOR CERTIFICATES ISSUED**

Beginning October 4, 2005 until the close of general voting, the current record of all certificates issued will, upon signature, be available for public inspection, at the Sunshine Coast Regional District office at the address and times shown in the box at the top of this notice. Persons whose names are included on this list have the right to request that their address or other personal information be omitted or obscured on the list in order to protect their personal privacy or security. Please contact the Chief Election Officer for further details on the exclusion of personal information from the list.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** on these matters, the following persons may be contacted at (604) 885-2261:

Joan Harvey, Chief Election Officer  
Angie Legault, Deputy Chief Election Officer

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