



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** May 27, 2024

**TITLE:** C-1290-23 - Land Use Bylaw Text Amendment - Election Sign Regulations - Public Hearing

**DIVISION:** Strategic and Communication Services

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### **SUMMARY:**

Bylaw C-1290-23, a Land Use Bylaw text amendment that proposes to remove the timing of election sign placement and removal, is being brought forward for consideration by Council. Proposed C-1281-23 - Election Sign Bylaw, included on this agenda for third reading, will provide the regulation on election signs within the City of Spruce Grove.

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### **PROPOSED MOTION:**

A motion is not required.

### **BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:**

Currently, C-824-12 - Land Use Bylaw sets a provision which provides for the placement of election signs no earlier than 12:01 a.m. on nomination day / election writ day. A standalone Election Sign Bylaw is being proposed and is included on this agenda for third reading which addresses the placement and timing of all election signs within the City of Spruce Grove. An amendment is necessary to C-824-12 - Land Use Bylaw to remove section 96(2) to ensure the allowance for placement and timing is not duplicated in more than one bylaw.

As C-1290-23 - Land Use Bylaw Text Amendment is dependent on the passage of C-1281-23 - Election Sign Bylaw, second and third reading of C-1290-23 - Land Use Bylaw Text Amendment cannot occur until after consideration of third reading of C-1281-23 - Election Sign Bylaw.

**OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:**

Bylaw C-1281-23 is being presented at a Public Hearing. Should Council feel they need further information to make a decision, they may choose to adjourn the public hearing for continuance at a later date.

**CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:**

A statutory public hearing, advertised per the requirement of the *Municipal Government Act*, must be held prior to consideration of second reading. Advertising of the Public Hearing was placed in the Spruce Grove Examiner on May 17, 2024, and uploaded to the City website on May 14, 2024, per the Advertising Bylaw and the *Municipal Government Act* requirements.

**IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:**

If approved, the Land Use Bylaw will be updated as per Bylaw C-1281-23 and published on the City's website.

**IMPACTS:**

Approval of this bylaw will remove the potential for contradictions regarding the timing and removal of election signs within the City of Spruce Grove.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

n/a