## **ELECTION FINANCE (AMENDMENT NO. 1-2020) BY-LAW**

## PASSED BY COUNCIL ON

, 2020

Pursuant to the powers vested in it under the Municipal Elections Act, RSNL 1990 c. M-20.2, as amended and all other powers enabling it, the City of St. John's enacts the following By-Law relating to municipal election finances.

## **BY-LAW**

- 1. This By-Law may be cited as the "St. John's Election Finance (Amendment No. 1-2020) By-Law".
- 2. (1) Subsection 3(1) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is amended by deleting the reference "\$1.00" and substituting the reference "\$0.71".
  - (2) Subsection 3(2) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is amended by deleting the reference \$1.00" and substituting the reference "\$0.43".
  - (3) Subsection 3(3) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is amended by deleting the reference "\$1.00" and substituting the reference "\$0.14".
  - (4) Subsection 3(4) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is amended by deleting the reference "\$1.00" and substituting the reference "\$0.07".
- 3. (1) Subsection 4(1)(a) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is repealed and the following substituted:
  - "4(1)(a) Contributions to candidates shall be made only by natural persons or individuals, or by corporations or trade unions individually, and shall only be made in the calendar year in which an election is held."
  - (2) Subsection 4(2)(b) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is amended by deleting the reference "\$2000.00" and substituting the reference "\$1000.00".
  - (3) Subsections 4(4), 4(5), 4(6), and 4(7) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law amended by deleting the reference "\$250.00" and substituting the reference "\$100.00".

- 4. Section 5 of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is repealed and the following substituted:
  - "5.(1) All candidates in an election, including those not elected, shall, not more than 30 days after the election, file with the returning officer a statement in the required form and made under oath or affirmation stating:
    - (a) the total amount of the contributions received by him or her;
  - (b) each contribution from a corporation or trade union and the contributors of those amounts.
    - (c) each contribution from an individual that exceeds \$100.00 and the contributors of those amounts; and
    - (d) that the total amount of contributions received from corporations or trade unions did not exceed 50% of the limits in section 3 of this By-Law.
  - (2) All candidates in an election, including those not elected, who did not receive any one contribution in an amount exceeding \$100.00 shall, not more than 30 days after the election, file with the returning officer a statement under oath or affirmation stating the total amount of the contributions received by him or her and that he or she did not receive any one contribution in an amount that exceeded \$100.00."
- 5. Section 6 of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is repealed and the following substituted:
  - "6. All candidates in an election, including those not elected, shall, not more than
  - days after the election, file with the returning officer a statement under oath or affirmation stating:
    - (a) the total amount of expenditures made by him or her;
    - (b) details of each expenditure that exceeds \$100.00; and
    - (c) that the total amount of expenditures did not exceed the limits set out in section 3 of this By-Law."
- 6. (1) Section 6(1) of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is renumbered as section 7.

- (2) Section 7 of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is renumbered as section 9.
- (3) Section 8 of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law is renumbered as section 10.
- 7. The following is added as section 8 of the St. John's Election Finance By-Law:
  - "8. Notwithstanding any section of this By-Law, contributions shall not be made by corporations or trade unions for the 2025 election and to any election which may be called thereafter."

| <b>IN WITNESS WHEREOF</b> the Seal of the City of St. |
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| John's has been hereunto affixed and this By-Law      |
| has been signed by the Mayor and City Clerk this      |
| day of, 2020.   |
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