



Media Release

2018 Municipal Election Candidate Nomination and Third Party Advertiser Registration NOW OPEN!

Owen Sound, Ontario – Tuesday, May 1, 2018 – The 2018 Municipal Election is fast approaching. For anyone proposing to be a candidate or a third party advertiser for the 2018 municipal election on October 22, 2018, the official nomination period starts today!

Candidates for City Council or School Board Trustee may file a nomination form during regular business hours beginning today, Tuesday, May 1, 2018 with the last day and time for filing being Friday, July 27, 2018 between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. A prescribed fee in the amount of \$200.00 for Head of Council and \$100.00 for all other candidates payable by cash, debit, certified cheque or money order must accompany the nomination form. Candidates for City Council must also provide the endorsement of at least 25 persons when filing the nomination. Candidates must not spend or raise any funds for their election campaign until the nomination form has been filed. The nomination and endorsement forms are available in the Clerk's Office or on the City's election website at www.owensoundvotes.ca.

New this year are rules for third party advertising. A third party advertiser is any individual, corporation or trade union that causes an election campaign advertisement to appear. Third party advertisers are required to register with the Clerk's Office. Registrations of third party advertisers will be accepted starting today, Tuesday, May 1, 2018 until Friday, October 19, 2018. Until the Clerk certifies the registration, a third party advertiser may not spend money on their campaign, accept contributions or begin advertising. The registration form is available in the Clerk's Office or on the City's election website at www.owensoundvotes.ca.

For more 2018 municipal election information, follow the link to the City of Owen Sound's [2018 municipal election website](#) or contact the Clerk's Office at 519-376-4440 ext. 2018 or cityadmin@owensound.ca.

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For more information, please contact Curtiss Law, Deputy Clerk at 519-376-4440 ext. 1235 or email to claw@owensound.ca.

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