# MUNICIPALITY OF LOUISE BY-LAW #2018-09 ELECTION CAMPAIGN FINANCES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

# **BEING a By-Law of the Municipality of Louise set campaign finances and contributions for municipal elections.**

Whereas under section 93.2 of the Municipal Act a municipality must pass a By law prescribing certain matters concerning campaign expenses and contributions in connection with municipal elections.

Now therefore the Council of the Municipality of Louise enacts as a By law the following:

#### **INTERPRETATION**

1.1 Terms in this By law have the meanings ascribed to them in The Municipal Act

1.2 References to sections in this By law are to provisions in The Municipal Act.

# **REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES**

2.1 An individual applying to be a registered candidate under section 93.3 must complete the registration form supplied by the Senior Election Official.

#### CAMPAIGN EXPENSE LIMIT

3.1 The limit to compaign expenses that may be incurred by registered candidates shall be

a) for Reeve, \$8,000; and

b) for Councillor, \$5,500.

#### PORTION OF INCOME FROM FUND RAISING EVENT

4.1 In this section, 'fund raising event' means events or activities held for the purpose of raising funds for the registered candidate by whom or on whose behalf the event is held.

4.2 A fund raising event held by or on behalf of a registered candidate shall be held only during the campaign period

4.3 The total revenue received and the total costs incurred for a fund raising event shall be recorded and included in the registered candidate's Election Financial Statement

4.4 The net income made at a fund raising event shall be considered a contribution and expenses incurred in holding a fund raising event shall be excluded from the campaign expense limitation. Net income is calculated by deducting fund raising costs from fund raising revenue.

4.5 Notwithstanding 4.4, a monetary contribution that is more than \$10.00 from an individual into a general collection at a fund raising event must be considered a contribution as per section 93.6(2) of the Municipal Act, be recorded and reported in accordance with 93.12(1) and be excluded from the fund raising event revenue.

# ELECTION FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

5.1 The election finance statement shall be in the form set out in Schedule A to this By law. Registered candidates must keep records of contributions received, campaign expenses incurred and loans obtained in a manner that facilitates the filing and reconciliation of the election finance statement.

5.2 Registered candidates must retain for not less than 2 years after the election, as per section 93.11(e), copies of receipts, bank statements, cheques and any other documents on which the election finance statement is based.

5.3 The date by which the election finance statement under section 93.12(1) must be filed is not more than 210 days after Election Day in each general election or by election. 5.4 A request by the Chief Administrative Officer to file a further election finance statement under section 93.12(2) must be made within 30 days of the filing of the election finance statement.

5.5 The date by which a further election finance statement requested by the Chief Administrative Officer under section 93.12(2) must be filed is 30 days after the request is received.

5.6 After a registered candidate files his or her election finance statement with the Chief Administrative Officer the statement shall be open to inspect by any person during regular office hours and a copy shall be provided on payment of the Municipality's current photocopy fee.

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of the Municipality of Louise duly assembled at the LUD of Crystal City, in the Province of Manitoba this 25th day of April 2018.

### **MUNICIPALITY OF LOUISE**

Buchanan Reeve

Chief Administrative Officer

Read a first time this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018 Read a second time this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018

Read a third time this 25th day of April 2018