

DECISION 2004

At-large or Wards Plebiscite

Notice of Voting

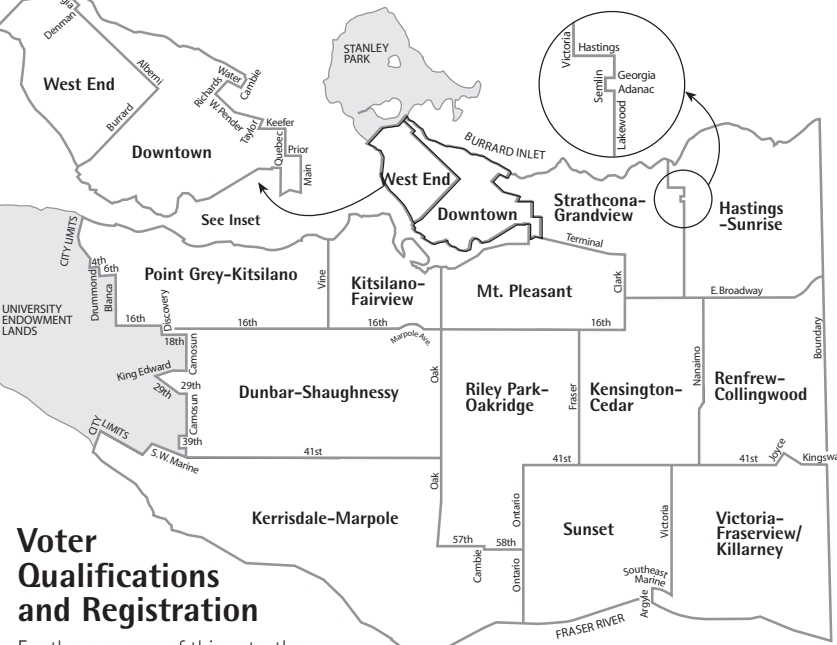
Saturday, October 16 8 am - 8 pm

THE CITY OF Vancouver is holding a plebiscite on whether the City should adopt a ward system or retain the existing at-large system of electing councillors. The plebiscite will take place Saturday, October 16, 2004.

Here is the exact question that will be on the ballot October 16:
 "Are you in favour of, or are you opposed to, abolishing the at-large system and electing members of City Council by a ward system, with boundaries as set out on the map on this ballot?"

- YES, I am in favour of adopting a ward system
- NO, I am opposed to adopting a ward system"

(This question is excerpted from City of Vancouver bylaw #8914, approved by City Council July 29, 2004. This bylaw is available for inspection at City Hall, 453 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver 8:30 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday, or at any of the voting places.)



Voter Qualifications and Registration

For the purposes of this vote, the entire City of Vancouver is one voting area. All eligible electors for the City of Vancouver may vote. Electors must register at the time of voting. Registration forms have been sent to all Vancouver households, so electors can speed up the voting process by completing the form before visiting the voting place (but don't sign it). Registration forms will also be available at all voting places.

To qualify to vote as a resident elector, you must:

1. be a Canadian citizen
2. be 18 years of age or older on October 16, 2004
3. be a resident of B.C. for at least six months
4. not be disqualified by law from voting
5. be a resident of Vancouver for at least 30 days.

To qualify as a non-resident property elector, owning property in Vancouver and residing elsewhere in B.C., you must meet requirements 1-4 above, and you must:

- not be entitled to register as a resident elector in Vancouver, and
- have been the owner of property in Vancouver for at least 30 days.

Non-resident property electors must receive a Non-Resident Property Elector Certificate from the Election Office before going to a voting place. The form will be issued by the Election Office when the non-resident property elector visits the Election Office and presents:

- proof of ownership of the Vancouver property
- personal identification documents
- (if necessary) a consent form from the majority of the property owners.

After receiving an Elector Certificate, non-resident property electors will have the option of voting at the Election Office on October 6, 12 or 16, 8 am to 8 pm, or voting at any one of the 44 voting places on October 16.

Call or visit the Vancouver Election Office at 450 West Broadway, Vancouver (604.873.7681).

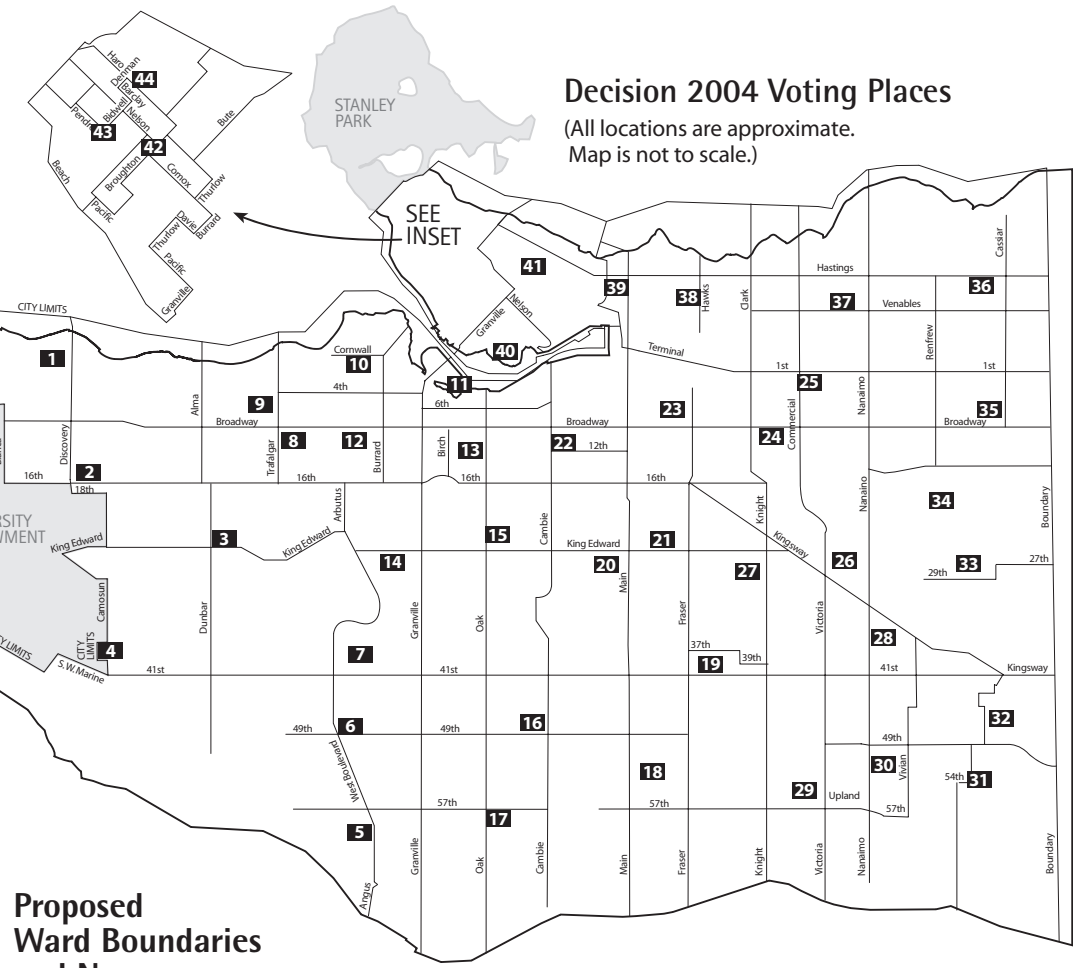
As the University Endowment Lands (UEL) are outside the City of Vancouver boundaries, UEL residents are **NOT** eligible to vote in the plebiscite.

Landed immigrants who are not yet Canadian citizens are not permitted to vote in the plebiscite.

Identification Documents

While registering at the time of voting you will need to show two pieces of identification (at least one with a signature). Types of ID that are acceptable are:

- B.C. Driver's Licence
- B.C. ID Card from the M.V. Branch
- ICBC Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Licence
- B.C. CareCard or Gold CareCard
- Ministry of Social Development and Economic Security Request for Continued Assistance Form SDES8
- Social Insurance Card
- Citizenship Card
- property tax notice
- credit card or debit card
- utility bill for electricity, gas, water, phone or cable services
- welfare cheque stub showing name and address or welfare ID number
- a statutory declaration of identity and/or residence



Decision 2004 Voting Places
 (All locations are approximate. Map is not to scale.)

Proposed Ward Boundaries and Names

(This map is not the actual map that will be on the ballot, but is provided to show the proposed ward boundaries.)

Mail Ballot Voting

Mail ballots will be provided on receipt of a completed Application for Mail Ballot form (these forms are available from the Election Office). Packages containing the mail ballots will be issued after October 4 and must be returned to the Election Office no later than 8 pm on October 16, 2004. With your written permission, someone else can pick up your mail ballot package and return it to the Election Office for you.

Where to Vote

Electors may go to any one of the 44 voting locations listed at the right, from 8 am to 8 pm on October 16. (You can vote only once. It is a serious offence to vote more than once.)

The City's website also offers the capability to look up the closest voting places to your home.

For more information, go to www.pickone.ca

Two advance voting opportunities will be offered at City Hall on October 6 and 12, 2004, 8 am to 8 pm. Advance voters must sign a declaration stating the reason they are unable to vote October 16, 2004. Here are the reasons for advance voting:

- you will be absent from the city on October 16
- you are unable to vote on October 16 for reasons of conscience
- you are unable to attend at the voting place on October 16 for reasons beyond your control
- you have a physical disability or a mobility impairment
- you are an election official on October 16.

A brochure containing detailed information on the voting process, including copies of the registration form for the vote, was delivered to Vancouver households September 21 - 24, and is available at libraries and community centres.

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No.	Voting Place Location and Address
1	West Point Grey Community Centre, 4397 West 2nd Avenue
2	Queen Elizabeth Elementary School, 4102 West 16th Avenue
3	Lord Kitchener Elementary School, 4055 Blenheim Street
4	Southlands Elementary School, 5351 Camosun Street
5	Dr. R. E. McKechnie Elementary School, 7455 Maple Street
6	Magee Secondary School, 6360 Maple Street
7	Quilchena Elementary School, 5300 Maple Street
8	Kitsilano Secondary School, 2550 West 10th Avenue
9	General Gordon Elementary School, 2896 West 6th Avenue
10	Henry Hudson Elementary School, 1551 Cypress Street
11	False Creek Community Centre, 1318 Cartwright Street
12	Tennyson Elementary School, 1936 West 10th Avenue
13	L'Ecole Bilingue, 1166 West 14th Avenue
14	Shaughnessy Elementary School, 4250 Marguerite Street
15	Emily Carr Elementary School, 4070 Oak Street
16	Dr. Annie B. Jamieson Elementary School, 6350 Tisdall Street
17	Sir Wilfred Laurier Elementary School, 7350 Laurel Street
18	John Henderson Elementary School, 451 East 53rd Avenue
19	Mackenzie Elementary School, 960 East 39th Avenue
20	General Wolfe Elementary School, 4251 Ontario Street
21	Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School, 419 East 24th Avenue
22	Vancouver City Hall, 453 West 12th Avenue
23	Mount Pleasant Elementary School, 2300 Guelph Street
24	Queen Alexandra Elementary School, 1300 East Broadway
25	Queen Victoria Elementary School, 1850 East 3rd Avenue
26	Gladstone Secondary School, 4105 Gladstone Street
27	Sir Richard McBride Elementary School, 1300 East 29th Avenue
28	George T. Cunningham Elementary School, 2330 East 37th Avenue
29	David Thompson Secondary School, 1755 East 55th Avenue
30	Kingsford-Smith Elementary School, 6901 Elliott Street
31	Captain James Cook Elementary School, 3340 East 54th Avenue
32	MacCorkindale Elementary School, 6100 Battison Street
33	Windermere Secondary School, 3155 East 27th Avenue
34	Nootka Elementary School, 3375 Nootka Street
35	Thunderbird Elementary School, 2325 Cassiar Street
36	Dr. A. R. Lord Elementary School, 555 Lillooet Street
37	Templeton Secondary School, 727 Templeton Drive
38	Lord Strathcona Elementary School, 592 East Pender Street
39	Carnegie Centre, 401 Main Street
40	Elsie Roy Elementary School, 150 Drake Street
41	UBC Robson Square, 800 Robson Street
42	Gordon Neighbourhood House, 1019 Broughton Street
43	Lord Roberts Elementary School, 1100 Bidwell Street
44	King George Secondary School, 1755 Barclay Street

For More Information:
www.pickone.ca 604.873.7681
 Election Office, 450 West Broadway, Vancouver, BC V5Y 1R3

