

Apply to become a volunteer scrutineer for Capital Plan borrowing questions and plebiscite questions.

The City of Vancouver invites eligible voters to become a volunteer scrutineer for the Capital Plan borrowing questions and the plebiscite questions in the 2026 Vancouver Election, with voting happening on October 3, 7, 10, 13 and 17.

Eligible Vancouver voters can apply to volunteer as a scrutineer for either the “yes” or “no” side of these questions.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply to become a volunteer scrutineer by submitting a completed application to the Election Office at 305 West 8th Avenue, starting from 9 am on September 1 until 4 pm on September 11.

Applications are available at vancouver.ca/vote and at the Election Office, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm. Successful applicants will then be advised of the voting place(s) assigned to them.

CAPITAL PLAN QUESTIONS

What is the Capital Plan?

The Capital Plan is the City’s four-year investment plan for infrastructure and amenities, such as sidewalks, streets, fire halls, parks and community centres. Approximately \$3.5 billion is planned to be invested during the 2027-2030 Capital Plan period. Of this amount, \$790 million is proposed to be financed through borrowing that requires the approval of a majority of electors.

The ballot will have the following 3 “yes” or “no” questions on whether the City can borrow \$790 million to help pay for projects in the 2027-2030 Capital Plan.

1. TRANSPORTATION & STREET INFRASTRUCTURE

Are you in favour of Council having the authority, without further assent of the electors, to pass by-laws between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2030, to borrow an aggregate \$292,000,000 for the following purposes?

A. Bridge and structure infrastructure

To provide for major maintenance, rehabilitation, reconstruction and enhancement of the City’s bridge and structure infrastructure, including repairs and structural work on the Granville Bridge and Cambie Bridge.

\$154,000,000

B. Pavement and sidewalk infrastructure

To provide for major maintenance, reconstruction and enhancement of the arterial and neighbourhood transportation networks, and sidewalks.

\$92,000,000

C. Traffic signals and street lighting

To provide for major maintenance, replacement and enhancement of traffic signals and street lighting that are beyond economical repair or no longer meet operational requirements.

\$46,000,000

TOTAL: \$292,000,000

If this question receives the assent of the electors, Council has the power, without further assent of the electors, to pass by-laws, as and when Council considers appropriate, to borrow money for the projects described up to \$292,000,000.

Explanatory note for questions 2 and 3:

- Community facilities include buildings such as community centres, pools, rinks, libraries, childcare facilities, cultural facilities, and social facilities.
- Civic facilities include buildings such as fire halls, police buildings, administrative facilities and service yards.

2. COMMUNITY SERVING & CIVIC ESSENTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Are you in favour of Council having the authority, without further assent of the electors, to pass by-laws between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2030, to borrow an aggregate \$438,000,000 for the following purposes?

A. Renewal and upgrades of community facilities

To provide for replacement, renewal or rehabilitation of community facilities, including aging community centres, pools or other community facility projects including buildings such as rinks, libraries, childcare facilities, and social facilities.

\$338,000,000

B. Renewal and upgrades of other community serving and civic facilities

To provide for replacement, renewal or rehabilitation of other civic essential facilities, including fire halls, service yards, and other cultural facilities including Vancouver Civic Theatres.

\$100,000,000

TOTAL: \$438,000,000

If this question receives the assent of the electors, Council has the power, without further assent of the electors, to pass by-laws, as and when Council considers appropriate, to borrow money for the projects described up to \$438,000,000.

3. PARKS & OPEN PUBLIC SPACES INFRASTRUCTURE

Are you in favour of Council having the authority, without further assent of the electors, to pass by-laws between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2030, to borrow an aggregate \$60,000,000 for the following purposes?

A. Renewal, maintenance and upgrades of parks

To provide for renewal, ongoing capital maintenance, renovations or other upgrades of parks, park buildings and features within parks such as the seawall, pathways, playgrounds, playfields and sport courts.

\$60,000,000

TOTAL: \$60,000,000

If this question receives the assent of the electors, Council has the power, without further assent of the electors, to pass by-laws, as and when Council considers appropriate, to borrow money for the projects described up to \$60,000,000.

PLEBISCITE QUESTIONS

Vancouver voters will be asked the following non-binding questions:

Vancouver has experienced unprecedented levels of street disorder, open-air hard drug use, and disruption to community safety and individual health.

Therefore,

PLEBISCITE QUESTION 1

Are you in favour of the City of Vancouver strengthening its laws to forbid open-air hard drug (Heroin, Meth, Fentanyl, and Crack) use in public spaces?

☐ YES, I am in favour.

☐ NO, I am opposed.

PLEBISCITE QUESTION 2

Should the City of Vancouver formally ask the Province of BC to convert portions of the old St. Paul's Hospital, or another similar site, into a secure medical facility that provides acute voluntary and 100-plus involuntary care beds for individuals posing a serious risk to themselves or others due to severe substance use and mental health disorders?

☐ YES, I am in favour.

☐ NO, I am opposed.

VOTE BY MAIL SCRUTINEERS

Candidate representatives and scrutineers may be present to observe the mail ballot counting and processing starting on September 14, 2026 at the Election Office located at 305 West 8th Avenue, Vancouver, between 9 am and 4 pm, Monday to Friday except statutory holidays.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call: 3-1-1

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