

Municipal and School Board Election 2018

The next regular Municipal Election to elect a Mayor, Councillors and School Board Trustees will be held on Monday, October 22, 2018. The next term of Council begins on December 1, 2018 and concludes in 2022.

Bill 181, The Municipal Elections Modernization Act, 2016 came into effect June 9, 2016 and makes changes to the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 for the 2018 municipal election. For an overview of these changes visit the [Ministry of Municipal Affairs website](#) or see the updated [Municipal Election Act](#).

Alternative Voting - 2018 Municipal Election

On April 18th, 2017 the Council for Horton Township adopted By-Law 2017-25 to authorize the alternative voting method of "Vote by Mail" for the Municipal Election to be held in 2018. (same voting method as the 2014 election) and the necessary agreements were signed with Data Fix to provide Vote-By-Mail Services.

Nomination Period

The nomination period will commence on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 and closes on Nomination Day, Friday, July 27, 2018.

To run for office, you must be an eligible elector in the Township of Horton. This means that you must be:

- A Canadian Citizen;
- At least 18 years of age;
- Reside in the City, or be the owner or tenant of land in the City, or the spouse of such owner or tenant; and
- Not prohibited from voting under any law.

The [Association of Municipalities of Ontario \(AMO\)](#) will be offering "**So You Wish to Run for Council**" a course geared to individuals who are planning to run for a seat on municipal Council. The course presents the challenges and opportunities candidates will face through the campaign and as sitting members of Council. This course will be offered mid to late February 2018.

More information related to the Municipal Election 2018 will be available closer to the opening of the Nomination period.

Third Party Advertisers

The Municipal Elections Act now includes requirements for Third Party Advertisers. Regulations will come into effect on April 1, 2018 for the 2018 Municipal Election. More information including forms and other relevant documents will be made available in early 2018. More information on Third Party Advertisers will be able on the [Ministry of Municipal Affairs website](#). in early 2018.

Please continue to check this website for updated election and voting information.