

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Local Government Act

Ministerial Order No. M10

WHEREAS pursuant to the Improvement District Letters Patent Amendment Regulation, B.C. Reg 30/2010 and the *Local Government Act* (the ‘Act’), the minister is authorized to make orders amending the Letters Patent of an improvement district;

AND WHEREAS s. 690 (1) of the Act requires that an improvement district must call an annual general meeting at least once in every 12 months;

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent for the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 further restrict when an improvement district must hold their annual general meetings;

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent for the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 require that elections for board of trustee positions (the “elections”) must only be held at the improvement district’s annual general meeting or within one month of the annual general meeting;

AND WHEREAS the timeframe to hold annual general meetings or an election limits an improvement district’s ability to delay an election, when necessary;

AND WHEREAS the ability of an improvement district to hold an election separately from their annual general meeting increases accessibility for eligible electors;

January 12, 2023

Date



Minister of Municipal Affairs

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: Local Government Act, section 679

Other: Improvement District Letters Patent Amendment Regulation, B.C. Reg 30/2010

AND WHEREAS, I, Anne Kang, Minister of Municipal Affairs, believe that improvement districts require the flexibility to hold elections and annual general meetings separately and without the additional timing restrictions currently established by their Letters Patent;

NOW THEREFORE I HEREBY ORDER, pursuant to section 679 of the Act and the Improvement District Letters Patent Amendment Regulation, B.C. Reg 30/2010, that:

- 1) This Order replaces Order 336/2020 which is repealed.
- 2) The Letters Patent of the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 be amended to authorize the Trustees to, by resolution, fix a date at least once every calendar year, to hold an election for improvement district trustees under s.684 of the Act (an “election”), and that this date may be different than the date of the improvement district’s annual general meeting.
- 3) The Letters Patent of the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 be amended to authorize the Trustees, by resolution, to set one or more dates for additional voting opportunities and to allow voting by all eligible electors under the Act to be done by mail ballot, for the purposes of voting in an election.
- 4) The Letters Patent of the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 be amended to require that notice of an election must be given in accordance with the notice requirements for an annual general meeting as established under s.690 (3) of the Act and any applicable provisions of a bylaw passed under s.686 (1) (c).
- 5) The Letters Patent of the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 be amended to remove any additional restrictions on when an annual general meeting must be held.
- 6) The Letters Patent of the improvement districts identified in Schedule 1 be amended to remove any additional restrictions on when an election must be held.

Schedule 1

Albion Dyking District
Allison Lake Improvement District
Armstrong Bay Improvement District
Atlin Community Improvement District
Avola Improvement District
Barrowtown Waterworks District
Basque Improvement District
Beaver Falls Waterworks District
Bennett Bay Waterworks District
Blue River Improvement District
Bonnington Improvement District
Boundary Line Irrigation District
Bourke Creek Improvement District
Bowser Waterworks District
Braithwaite Estates Improvement District
Brandon Waterworks District
Brew Bay Improvement District
Bridesville Waterworks District
Brilliant Waterworks District
Buckhorn Improvement District
Campbell-Bennett Bay Improvement District
Canyon Alpine Improvement District
Canyon Waterworks District
Casino Waterworks District
Cawston Irrigation District
Chase Irrigation District
Cherry Creek Waterworks District
Clayton Creek Improvement District
Clearbrook Waterworks District
Cobble Hill Improvement District
Comox Fire Protection District
Courtenay Fire Protection District

Covert Irrigation District
Cowichan Bay Improvement District
Cowichan Bay Waterworks District
Cranberry Fire Protection District
Creston Dyking District
Darfield Irrigation District
Deadman's Creek Improvement District
Deep Bay Improvement District
Deep Creek Improvement District
Dewdney Area Improvement District
Diamond Improvement District
Dodge Cove Improvement District
Duck Lake Dyking District
El Camino Improvement District
Fairview Heights Irrigation District
Fanny Bay Waterworks District
Fletcher Creek Improvement District
Gabriola Fire Protection District
Galiano Estates Improvement District
Genelle Improvement District
Georgina Improvement District
Gillies Bay Improvement District
Glade Irrigation District
Glen Valley Dyking District
Glenmore-Ellison Improvement District
Gossip Island Improvement District
Grand Forks Irrigation District
Grandview Waterworks District
Greystoke Improvement District
Harbour View Improvement District
Harrison Bay Improvement District
Hedley Improvement District
Heffley Creek Waterworks District
Heffley Irrigation District
Hopkins Landing Waterworks District
Independent Waterworks District

Kaleden Irrigation District
Kemp Lake Waterworks District
Keremeos Irrigation District
Kitchener Improvement District
Krestova Improvement District
Laird Improvement District
Leecrest Improvement District
Lighthouse Point Waterworks District
Little Qualicum Waterworks District
Logging Ditch Improvement District
Lower Nicola Waterworks District
Lower Nipit Improvement District
Lund Waterworks District
Maple Ridge Road Thirteen Dyking District
Mayne Island Improvement District
Meadow Valley Irrigation District
Meadowbrook Waterworks District
Meredith Road Improvement District
Mill Bay Fire Protection District
Mill Bay Waterworks District
Montague Improvement District
Mount Belcher Improvement District
Mount Parke Estates Improvement District
Mountain Fire Protection District
Mountain View Waterworks District
Mud Bay Dyking District
Nasookin Improvement District
Nicks Island Dyking District
Nicomen Island Improvement District
Noosatsum Waterworks District
North Canyon Improvement District
North Cedar Improvement District
North Nicomen Dyking District
North Salt Spring Waterworks District
Oasis Waterworks District
Oceanview Improvement District

Okanagan Falls Irrigation District
Oliver Fire Protection District
Ootischenia Improvement District
Orde Creek Improvement District
Osoyoos Irrigation District
Osoyoos Rural Fire Protection District
Otter Lake Waterworks District
Pemberton Valley Dyking District
Pender Harbour Fire Protection District
Philimore Point Improvement District
Piers Island Improvement District
Pine Tree Place Improvement District
Pineview Improvement District
Playmor Junction Improvement District
Poupore Improvement District
Pritchard Waterworks District
Procter Creek Improvement District
Ptarmigan Flats Drainage District
Qualicum Bay-Horne Lake Waterworks District
Rayleigh Waterworks District
Razor Point Improvement District
Reclamation Dyking District
Ridgewood Improvement District
Robson-Raspberry Improvement District
Rockyview Improvement District
Rolling Hills Waterworks District
Rutland Waterworks District
Rykert Irrigation District
Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District
Saturna Shores Improvement District
Savary Shores Improvement District
Savona Improvement District
Schmidt Improvement District
Scott Point Waterworks District
Sechelt Fire Protection District
Secret Island Waterworks District

Shawnigan Improvement District
Ships Point Improvement District
Shuswap River Fire Protection District
Similkameen Improvement District
Sion Improvement District
Sitkum Creek Improvement District
Skaha Estates Improvement District
Slocan Park Improvement District
Sointula Waterworks District
South Canyon Improvement District
South Lake Erroch Improvement District
South Quadra Fire Protection District
South West Extension Waterworks District
Spanish Hills Improvement District
Spences Bridge Improvement District
St. Mary's Prairie Irrigation District
Steele Springs Waterworks District
Stepney Waterworks District
Stillwater Waterworks District
Sunset Improvement District
Sutherland Creek Waterworks District
Sylvania Improvement District
Taghum Improvement District
Thetis Island Improvement District
Traders Cove Waterworks District
Trethewey-Edge Dyking District
Trincomali Improvement District
Trout Lake Improvement District
Tsawwassen Waterworks District
Van Anda Improvement District
Vaseux Lake Improvement District
Vaucroft Improvement District
Vermilion Irrigation District
Village Point Improvement District
Vinsulla Irrigation District
Voykin Improvement District

Wace Creek Improvement District
Wasa Lake Land Improvement District
Whaling Station Bay Improvement District
Whiskey Point Improvement District
Whitehead Waterworks District
Williams Springs Waterworks District
Wilmer Waterworks District
Wise Island Improvement District
Wolfe Waterworks District
Woodlynn Improvement District
Wynndel Irrigation District
Yarrow Waterworks District