

**THE CORPORATION OF HALDIMAND COUNTY**

By-law Number /24

**Being a by-law to require that a by-election be held to fill the Ward 1 and Ward 4 Councillor vacancies and to authorize the use of internet voting for the by-election**

**WHEREAS** in accordance with Section 262 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, (the Act) the Ward 1 and Ward 4 Council seats were declared vacant on December 5, 2024 and November 25, 2024, respectively, following the death of the elected ward councillors;

**WHEREAS** Subsection 263 (5) of the Act requires that within 60 days after a declaration of vacancy, the municipality shall i) appoint a person to fill the vacancy, or ii) pass a by-law requiring a by-election be held to fill the vacancy;

**WHEREAS** Section 42 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, S.O. 1996, c. 32 provides that council may by by-law authorize the use of an alternative voting method for a by-election;

**AND WHEREAS** Haldimand County Council deems it expedient to hold a by-election to fill the Ward 1 and Ward 4 vacancies and also to authorize the use of internet voting during the advance period of the by-election,

**NOW THEREFORE, the Council of The Corporation of Haldimand County enacts as follows:**

1. **THAT** by-election shall be held to fill the Ward 1 and Ward 4 Councillor vacancies.
2. **THAT** the use of internet voting is hereby authorized for use during the advance voting period of the by-election.
3. **AND THAT** this by-law shall come into force and effect on the date of passing.

ENACTED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

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MAYOR

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CLERK