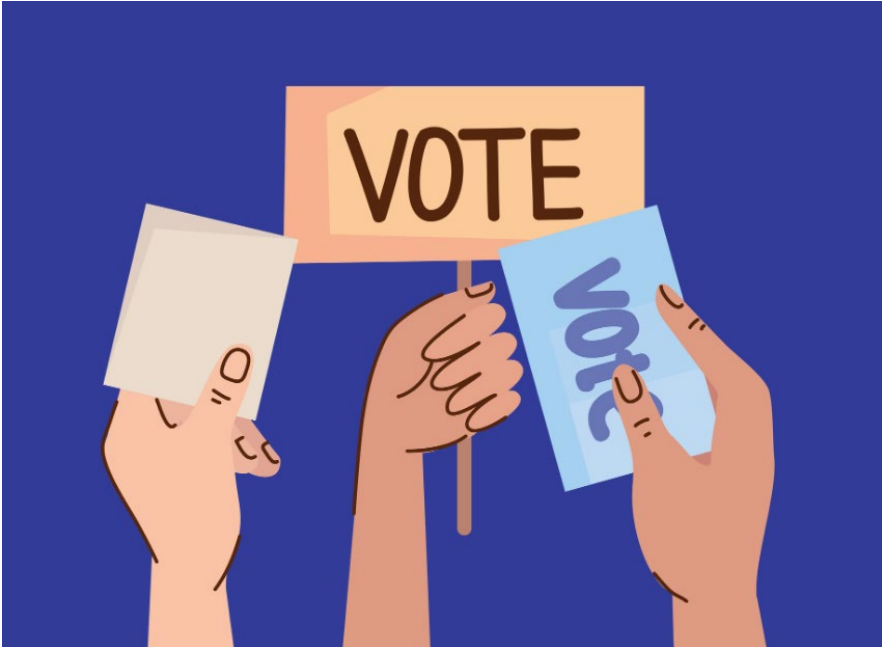




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2026 General Local Election: Make your vote count

In October, Penticton residents will have the opportunity to help shape the future of their community by voting in the 2026 General Local Election. During this election, residents will have the opportunity to vote for:

- ✓ 1 Mayor
- ✓ 6 Councillors
- ✓ 4 School Trustees
- ✓ 1 Assent Voting Question

Whether you're a first-time voter or a long-time resident, now is the time to learn about the election process and plan to vote.

Below, we've prepared a helpful guide on what eligible voters need to know to participate in the upcoming election.



Eligible voter checklist

To vote in the City of Penticton election as a resident elector, you must:

- ✓ Be a Canadian Citizen
- ✓ Be 18 years of age or older on the day of voting
- ✓ Be a resident of the City of Penticton on the day of voting
- ✓ Have been a resident of B.C. for at least 6 months before the day of voting
- ✓ Not be disqualified from voting in the election

Learn more

The City of Penticton's election webpage is the primary source for official election information. Use the QR code to access all election information or log on to penticton.ca/elections.

Your **vote** is an opportunity to help shape the future of Penticton. Make a plan to vote this October and have your voice heard.



Are you a Non-Resident Property Elector or will you require a Mail ballot? Please visit penticton.ca/elections for more information on what is required.

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Advance voting opportunities

For convenience or flexibility, advance voting is available from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the following locations and dates:

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026:
Penticton Community Centre Gymnasium,
325 Power Street

Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026:
Skaha Lake Elementary School Gymnasium,
110 Green Avenue West

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2026:
Penticton Trade and Convention Centre,
273 Power Street

General Voting Day

The last voting opportunity is Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the **Penticton Trade and Convention Centre**, 273 Power Street, or at **Skaha Lake Elementary School**, 110 Green Avenue West.

Please note that Skaha Lake Elementary School is a smaller venue and there may be line-ups.

Registered to vote?

The City of Penticton uses the Provincial Voters List for its list of electors. Not sure if you're on the Provincial Voters List?

Call 250-490-2400 or visit City Hall at 171 Main Street during regular business hours. (9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding holidays).

Not registered? You can still vote

Eligible voters can register on voting day (see checklist on the left to confirm).

Simply bring two pieces of identification that together show your name and residential address, with one piece containing your signature. Election officials will help you complete the registration process.

Contact Us

Sign up for news updates direct to your inbox or mobile phone: penticton.ca/updates

City Hall: 250-490-2400
Email: ask@penticton.ca

Report an Issue Online: penticton.ca/report-an-issue
Contact Information: penticton.ca/contact



Information about the assent voting question



This October, voters will decide whether to remove a 1912 land-use condition affecting lands at 325 Power Street. This vote does not affect dedicated park land, including Bambino Field, which remains protected as dedicated park land.

Removing the indenture would allow the City to continue exploring a wider range of future options for the property,

including the possibility of a hotel attached to the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre, which has been identified as a way to support convention and tourism activity. This vote would not approve any specific development. Any future proposal would require separate review and approval processes. For more information, visit shapeyourcitypenticton.ca/ptcc.

In October 2026, Penticton voters will be asked:

“Are you in favour of the removal of the trust condition included in the 1912 Indenture that restricts the use of the City of Penticton property located at 325 Power Street to “games, sports and athletics of all kinds whatsoever and for horse-racing, park

purposes, agricultural or fruit exhibitions or other objects of a public nature”, so that the City may use, convey, lease and otherwise deal with that property free of that trust condition?
“YES or NO”

What does your vote mean?

✓ YES

- ✓ Removes the 1912 indenture on these lands.
- ✓ Dedicated park land stays/remains unchanged.
- ✓ Allows the City to consider a broader range of future land uses for the property, rather than limiting its use to games, sports, horse racing, park purposes, exhibitions and other objects of a public nature.
- ✓ Allows the City to continue exploring future opportunities for the site, including the potential for an attached hotel, subject to future approval processes.

✗ NO

- ✗ Keeps the 1912 indenture restriction in place.
- ✗ Continues to limit the use of the lands to games, sports, horse racing, park purposes, exhibitions and other objects of a public nature.
- ✗ Does not allow the City to pursue land-use options that are not permitted under the indenture, including a potential attached hotel.
- ✗ Any proposal requiring removal of the restriction could only proceed through a future elector approval process.

IMPORTANT

- Dedicated park land, including Bambino ballfield, **is not affected** by this vote and would remain unchanged.
- The vote is about removing the historic restriction, not approving a specific development proposal.
- Any future proposal would require a separate review and approval process.
- Any proposal requiring removal of the restriction could only proceed through a future elector approval process.
- To clarify, this land was not gifted to the City. The City purchased the land from the South Okanagan Land Company. The 1912 indenture placed conditions on how the land could be used, before modern zoning bylaws existed.

Get all the facts at shapeyourcitypenticton.ca/ptcc

You’re invited: Budget Open House

Join us for a family-friendly Open House at the Penticton Trade & Convention Centre on Tuesday Nov. 24 from 4-7 p.m. to review the draft 2027 budget.

This is an opportunity for all interested residents to provide input on the 2027-2031 Draft Financial and Corporate

Business Plan, explore key City initiatives and other hot topics and connect with City staff who will be available to answer questions.

Watch for more details in the coming weeks at penticton.ca.