

The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne

By-law No. _____

**Being a By-law to Authorize Alternative Methods
of Voting for the 2026 Municipal Election.**

Whereas at its meeting of June 24, 2025, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne (Council) approved the recommendations of the Legislative Services Department, Report No. 2025-136, Subject: 2026 Municipal Election - Voting Systems and Alternative Voting Methods; and

Whereas Section 42 of the *Municipal Elections Act*, S.O. 1996 provides that a municipal council may on or before May 1 in the year of the election, pass a by-law authorizing the use of vote-counting equipment at Municipal Elections, such as vote tabulators, and authorizing the use of alternative voting methods that do not require electors to attend at a voting place in order to vote;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne enacts as follows:

1. The use of vote tabulators is hereby authorized in respect of the 2026 Municipal Election.
2. The use of vote by mail is hereby authorized, at the discretion of the City Clerk, in respect of the 2026 Municipal Election.

Enacted and passed this 24th day of June 2025.

William C. Steele
Mayor

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk