

NM2008-November 4

RE: SPECIAL BALLOTS AT CITY OF CALGARY ELECTIONS
ALDERMAN CECI, ALDERMAN CHABOT, ALDERMAN MCIVER

WHEREAS the Local Authorities Election Act, Section 77.1, provides that Council may by resolution provide for the use of special ballots;

AND WHEREAS on November 3, 2008, several members of Council indicated their desire to provide for special ballots at City of Calgary elections to ensure that electors, unable to attend at the voting station during the advance vote or on election day, have a method to allow them to cast a ballot.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Council:

- 1) Direct the Returning Officer to provide for special ballots by the methods outlined in Section 77.1 (2) of the Local Authorities Elections Act; and
- 2) Authorize the Returning Officer to accept applications for special ballots on July 01 prior to a general election or as soon as a date is set by Council in the case of a by-election in accordance with Section 77.1 (2.2) and;
- 3) Authorize the Returning Officer to apply to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to re-institute the City of Calgary Election Regulation as it applies to special ballots.