Whitby Election 2022

May 2, 2022

To: Financial Institution

Re: Municipal Campaign Account

A candidate running in the 2022 Municipal Election is required under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, to open one or more campaign accounts at a financial institution exclusively for the purposes of the election campaign.

The Act does not contain any prohibition against a municipal candidate being a signing officer on the campaign account, nor does it require the candidate to have a chief financial officer, as is the case with provincial or federal candidates.

Section 88.22(1) of the Municipal Elections Act states:

A candidate shall ensure that:

(a) no contributions of money are accepted or expenses are incurred unless one or more campaign accounts are first opened at a financial institution exclusively for the purposes of the election campaign;
(b) all contributions of money are deposited into the campaign accounts;
(c) all funds in the campaign accounts are used exclusively for the purposes of the election campaign; and,
(d) all payments for expenses are made from the campaign accounts.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Christopher Harris
Town Clerk
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