

**CITY OF THOMPSON
BY-LAW NUMBER 1833-2010**

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF THOMPSON TO REGULATE THE POSTING OF ELECTION SIGNS.

WHEREAS Section 140(1) of *The Municipal Act*, C.C.S.M. c. M225 provides that a Council may act only by resolution or by-law;

AND WHEREAS Section 232(1) provides that a Council may pass by-laws for municipal purposes respecting the following matters:

- (f) property adjacent to highways or municipal roads, whether the property is publicly or privately owned; and
- (o) the enforcement of by-laws;

AND WHEREAS Section 232(2)(a) provides that a Council may pass a by-law to regulate or prohibit certain activities;

AND WHEREAS Section 234 provides that a Council may include provisions respecting signs;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Thompson, in regular session duly assembled, enacts the following:

I. GENERAL

1) **TITLE**

This by-law shall be referred to as the "Election Sign By-Law."

2) **DEFINITIONS**

In this by-law:

- a) **"CITY"** means the City of Thompson.
- b) **"DESIGNATED OFFICER"** means the person(s) authorized by City Council to enforce any part of this By-law.

- c) **"ELECTION SIGN"** means a sign used to promote any person or party participating in an election for public office; or, a sign used to influence persons to vote for or against any question submitted to the electors such as in the case of a referendum.
- d) **"TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE"** means a sign, signal, light, pedestrian corridor, school corridor, marking or device, not inconsistent with *The Municipal Act*, placed or erected for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic.

II. REGULATIONS

- 3) Election signs may not be posted on public property.
- 4) Election signs may not be posted on land that falls under the jurisdiction of the City.
- 5) An election sign may not obstruct the visibility of pedestrians, vehicles or traffic control devices.

III. ENFORCEMENT

- 6) A Designated Officer is authorized to take down or remove, or cause to be removed immediately without notice, and at the risk of the owner, an election sign that is placed in contravention of this By-law.
- 7) The City shall not be liable for any damage or loss to an election sign that has been removed by a Designated Officer.

Read a first time this 12th day of April , 2010 A.D.

Read a second time this 26th day of April , 2010 A.D.

Read a third time this 26th day of April , 2010 A.D.

Done and passed by the Council of the City of Thompson in regular session assembled this 26th day of April, 2010 A.D.

The City of Thompson

Per: HAROLD SMITH
Mayor

Per: [Signature]
City Manager