

# ADMINISTRATIVE COMPILATION BYLAW 05-25

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Adopted by the Municipal Council on June 10, 2025 Entry into force on June 12, 2025

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# PREFACE

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**REGULAR** meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Pontiac, held on June 10, 2025, at 7:30 p.m., at the Quyon Community Centre, at which meeting were present:

## The Mayor, Mr. Roger Larose

The Council Members:

Dr. Jean Amyotte

Caryl McCann

Garry Dagenais

Chantal Allen

Council members and being a quorum.

WHEREAS the coming into force on November 5, 2021, of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, the Act respecting municipal ethics and governance, and various legislative provisions known as Bill 49;

WHEREAS municipalities must establish, starting in 2022, a reserved fund to finance expenses related to holding an election, in accordance with sections 278.1 and 278.2 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities;

WHEREAS the creation of a reserved fund allows for the spreading out of election expenses over a longer period, thus avoiding a significant increase in expenses during election years;

**WHEREAS** the Council deems it in the best interest of the Municipality to create the fund, for the benefit of the entire territory;

**WHEREAS** a notice of motion and a draft bylaw were presented at the regular Council session on May 13, 2025;

**THEREFORE**, it is moved by Councillor Dr. Jean Amyotte and seconded by Councillor Chantal Allen.

AND RESOLVED the present bylaw be adopted and that it be ruled and decreed as follows:

# ARTICLE 1 PREAMBLE



The preamble forms an integral part of this bylaw.

### ARTICLE 2 CREATION AND PURPOSE OF THE RESERVED FUND

A reserved fund is established for financing the expenses related to holding a partial or general election or a referendum. The projected amount of the fund under the LERM may include preliminary or accessory activities, such as dividing the municipality's territory for electoral purposes.

#### ARTICLE 3 PROJECTED AMOUNT

The projected amount of this reserve must cover the cost of the next general election. The Council allocates for this purpose an amount at least equal to the cost of the last general election or the previous one, whichever is greater.

# ARTICLE 4 <u>ALLOCATION</u>

An amount from the operating budget will be allocated annually by resolution of the Council.

The amount of annual allocations will be reevaluated every four (4) years based on the cost of the last general election.

### ARTICLE 5 INTEREST REVENUES

The interest revenues generated by the reserved fund will be automatically allocated to the same fund.

#### ARTICLE 6 USE OF THE RESERVED FUND

The available amounts in the reserved fund must be used solely to pay expenses related to holding a general or partial election.

The Council will then authorize, by resolution, the use of the reserved fund to finance these expenses during an election.

In the event the fund is used to finance a partial election or a referendum, the Council will ensure the reimbursement of the amounts used before the next general election.

#### ARTICLE 7 SURPLUS

Any surplus of revenues over expenses, if applicable, will remain in the reserved fund for future use.

### ARTICLE 8 <u>DURATION</u>

The duration of the existence of the reserved fund is set for an indefinite period, given its nature.

#### ARTICLE 9: ENTRY INTO FORCE

This bylaw will come into force in accordance with the law.



# GIVEN AT PONTIAC, this 12th day of June 2025.

Roger Larose Mayor Sandra Martineau
Assistant Director General
and Clerk-Treasurer

# **ADMINISTRATIVE INDEX**

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