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News Release

New municipal election portal to offer on-line results

July 24, 2014 – Getting to the polls isn't the only election-day inconvenience. Sometimes, finding the results is just as difficult.

That is about to change with the introduction of Manitoba Votes.

Manitoba Votes (Manitobavotes.ca) is an application that will allow all Manitoba municipalities to post the results from their local election into a central, online system. Manitobans will then have the ability to instantly access the results from each municipality's election as soon as they are posted.

Results of the summer elections taking place tomorrow in Dunnottar, Victoria Beach and Winnipeg Beach will be live on Manitobavotes.ca as a test run for the fall elections coming up on October 22.

AMM President Doug Dobrowolski explains: "Municipal elections are important to not only local citizens, but to journalists, former residents and others. That is why the results of these elections should be available far and wide."

This has not always been the case. To date, municipal elections have been a mystery in Manitoba when it comes to identifying the results in all municipalities.

"Although the results from the larger centres are usually publicized through mainstream media, Manitobans often have to wait days until all the results are made available province-wide," says Vern Sabeski, president of All-Net.ca, the developer of Manitoba Votes.

"This year, anyone can visit Manitobavotes.ca and get the election results as soon as the polls report."

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