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NEWS RELEASE

AMM OFFERS FULL RANGE OF RESOURCES TO SUPPORT UPCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

June 1, 2022 – To assist registered and perspective candidates in the upcoming municipal elections, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has formally launched a new comprehensive <u>Municipal Elections Resource Hub</u> on the AMM website. The hub features several resources and informational materials relevant to candidates, election officials and municipal administrators.

In addition, the Resource Hub includes a series of <u>testimonial videos</u> from current and former elected municipal officials that highlight key considerations along with tips and advice for candidates. Individuals participating in the testimonial videos include:

- Honourable Eileen Clarke, Minister of Municipal Relations
- Mayor Brian Bowman, City of Winnipeg
- Mayor Rick Chrest, City of Brandon
- Mayor Al Friesen, Town of Altona
- Councillor Karen MacKinnon, City of Flin Flon
- Councillor Melanie Parent, RM of Piney
- Shirley Kalyniuk, Former AMM Vice-President and Mayor of Town of Rossburn
- Jeff McConnell, Former Mayor of Town of Virden
- Glen McKenize, Former Mayor of Town of Swan River
- Chris Goertzen, Former AMM President and Mayor of City of Steinbach
- Nettie Neudorf, Former MMA President and CAO of RM of Portage la Prairie
- Executive Director Denys Volkov, AMM

"We are hopeful that these newly created resources will help raise awareness of the roles and responsibilities of municipal governments and empower more Manitobans to run for municipal politics. As municipal leaders play a vital role in shaping community priorities, I encourage all candidates to refer to the AMM's Municipal Elections Resource Hub to better understand the roles and responsibilities of local Council," stated Kam Blight, AMM President.

To further support the elections and inform Manitobans, candidate information and voting results will be available on the AMM's dedicated municipal elections website at www.MBvotes.ca. This interactive website will include several enhanced data reporting features while information will be bilingual, thanks to French translation provided by the Association of Manitoba Bilingual Municipalities (AMBM).

For elections held on October 26, 2022, candidate registration for Heads of Council officially opened on May 1, 2022, and registration for Councillors will commence on June 30, 2022. Three municipalities – Town of Winnipeg Beach, Village of Dunnottar, RM of Victoria Beach – will hold elections on July 22, 2022.

For more information, please visit:

http://www.amm.mb.ca/issues/2022elections/