

CITY OF THOROLD POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

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PURPOSE:

Recent amendments to the Municipal Elections Act has added a new provision (Section 56(3)) permitting municipalities and school boards to establish policies requiring automatic recounts when the results fall within a threshold established by the policy. Where a recount is completed in accordance with a recount policy, it will only be conducted in the same matter that was used on Voting Day and must be completed within a 15-day period that starts after the results have been declared by the Clerk.

PROCESS:

The parameters as to when a recount would be considered is outlined in the Municipal Elections Act Section 56(1):

The clerk shall hold a recount,

- a) of the votes for two or more candidates who receive the same number of votes and cannot both or all be declared election to the office;
- b) of the votes on a by-law, if the votes for the affirmative and negative are equal;
- c) of the votes for two or more answers to a question, of the votes are equal.