

### **ELECTION 2024: HOW TO VOTE**

### **UNA ELECTION 2024**

The University Neighbourhoods Association (UNA) members will elect seven members to its Board of Directors at the 2024 UNA Election that will run from November 4 to November 26. Results will be emailed to members and announced on the UNA website at myuna.ca/elections.

#### **ELECTION PROCESS**

This election, you will be able to vote using a secure online voting system. This system is designed to make voting simple and accessible from a phone, computer, or tablet, while also safeguarding the integrity and security of the election.

On November 4, you will receive an email from the UNA with a voter ID and voting password unique to you. Using your unique voter ID and voting password, you can log on to the voting website to vote. The email address used for the election process will be the same one you have linked to your UNA Account. We encourage members to sign in to their UNA Accounts at <a href="mailto:myuna.ca/login">myuna.ca/login</a> to ensure that their email addresses are correct before November 4.

The last day to sign up to be a UNA member and be eligible to vote is November 22. If you sign up after that day, you will not be eligible to vote and will not receive an email to vote.

Voting will close on November 26 at 4:30 p.m.

#### **HOW TO VOTE**

- Check your email inbox for an email from vote@simplyvoting.com to find your unique voter ID and voting password.
- 2. Open your internet browser of choice and visit: una.simplyvoting.com
- 3. Enter your unique voter ID and voting password when prompted.
- 4. Vote for **up to SEVEN** candidates by clicking the boxes to the left of your choices on the online ballot.
- Once you have selected your choices, click "Continue" at the bottom of the page then "Confirm" to cast your ballot.

### **VOTING OPTIONS**

#### **PERSONAL DEVICE**

You can access the voting website using any device (e.g. phone, laptop). Open your internet browser of choice and visit <u>una.simplyvoting.com</u>. After entering your unique voter ID and voting password when prompted, you will be able to cast your ballot.

#### **KIOSK**

Kiosks will be available during weekdays for you to vote. With your unique voter ID and voting password handy, visit one of the kiosks at either of the following locations to cast your ballot:

- Wesbrook Community Centre at 3335 Webber Ln.
- Old Barn Community Centre at 6308 Thunderbird Blvd.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

# I SIGNED UP TO BE A UNA MEMBER ON/AFTER NOVEMBER 4. WILL I STILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL WITH MY VOTER ID AND VOTING PASSWORD?

Yes, as long as you are signed up by November 22, you will still receive an email with your credentials within one business day following your registration. For example, if you register on Friday, November 22, you should receive an email with your credentials by Monday, November 25.

## WHY ARE WE NOT USING PAPER BALLOTS ANYMORE?

At the 2023 UNA Annual General Meeting, the UNA members voted to change the UNA Bylaws to require that voting in an election take place online. This decision was preceded by a community-wide consultation process, during which an overwhelming percentage of participants were in favour of replacing paper ballot voting with electronic voting.

#### IS THIS ONLINE VOTING SYSTEM SAFE TO USE?

Yes, the online voting system is safe to use. It is designed with reliable and effective cybersecurity and data privacy measures to minimize the risk of voter fraud, security breaches, and other malfeasance. Your votes are kept anonymous and safe. Simply Voting, the provider of this system, has worked with other governments, associations, and businesses to successfully conduct their elections.

# I CANNOT FIND MY VOTER ID AND/OR VOTING PASSWORD. CAN I RECEIVE A NEW ONE?

Please contact <u>elections@myuna.ca</u> with the subject line "2024 ELECTION LOST CREDENTIALS".