

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AJAX

## BY-LAW NUMBER 82-2016

Being a by-law to authorize the payment of rebates to individuals who make contributions to candidates for office on the Town of Ajax municipal council for the 2018 municipal election.

WHEREAS subsection 88.11(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended (hereafter referred to as the Act), allows a municipality, by By-law, to provide for the payment of rebates to individuals who make monetary contributions to candidates for office on the municipal council;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax enacts as follows:

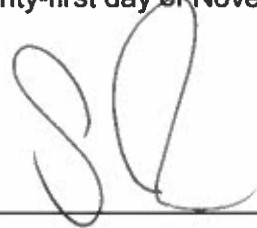
1. In this by-law,
  - “Elector” means an individual whose name appears on the Ajax voters’ list, as amended, up until the close of voting on voting day.
  - “Spouse” means the same as the definition of “spouse” under the *Municipal Act, 2001*.
  - “Fundraiser” means an event or activity held by or on behalf of a candidate for the purpose of raising funds for his or her election campaign. Proceeds from ticket sales or other means as part of a fundraising event shall not be considered a contribution of money under this by-law.
  - “Registered third party” means the same as the definition of “registered third party” under the *Municipal Elections Act, 1991*.
2. Notwithstanding section 88.15 of the Act, for the purposes of this by-law only a contribution of money shall be considered for a rebate. The following are not eligible for a contribution rebate:
  - i. Contributions of goods or services;
  - ii. Contributions of inventory from a prior election;
  - iii. Proceeds from fundraisers;
  - iv. Contributions made by a candidate, a candidate’s spouse, or a candidate’s child;
  - v. Contributions made to registered third parties.
3. The Town Clerk shall pay a rebate to an individual who is a qualified elector and who is not a candidate or the spouse or child of a candidate in the Town of Ajax 2018 election for municipal council if all of the following conditions are met:
  - a) The candidate has filed all documents and paid any amounts as required under the Act by the prescribed dates;
  - b) The Town Clerk is satisfied that the receipt for the contribution by the individual filed by the candidate is bona fide;
  - c) The Town Clerk is satisfied that the candidate has filed any financial statement and auditor’s report required by the Act by relevant filing dates set out in sections 88.30, 88.32, or 88.23 of the Act, and that no such a document shows on its face that the candidate has incurred expenses exceeding what is permitted under section 88.20 of the Act;
  - d) The Town Clerk is satisfied that the individual has not made contributions to candidates exceeding what is permitted under section 88.9 of the Act; and
  - e) That the application for rebate is received by the Clerk’s office prior to noon on December 1, 2019.
4. Candidates who choose not to participate in the rebate program shall be responsible for notifying their contributors that their contribution will not be submitted for a rebate.
5. The amount of the rebate shall be calculated as per Schedule A attached hereto

and forming part of this by-law.

6. An individual who makes contributions to more than one candidate may receive a rebate in respect of each contribution, but is not entitled to receive total rebates amounting to more than the maximum allowable under Schedule A.
7. The Town Clerk may establish forms and procedures for the administration of this Rebate Program.
8. By-law 138-2012 is hereby repealed.
9. This by-law shall come into force immediately upon final passing.

READ a first and second time this  
Twenty-first day of November, 2016

READ a third time and passed this  
Twenty-first day of November, 2016



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Mayor



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D-Clerk

### **Schedule A to By-law 82-2016**

Rebates to eligible individuals who make a contribution to a candidate for office on the municipal council shall be calculated based on the following:

1. A minimum contribution of \$20.00 is required to be eligible for a rebate.
2. The rebate shall be 75% of the contribution, up to a maximum rebate of \$225.00 for any one contributor.
3. Rebates will be paid following the candidate's filing of their final financial statements and related documents required by the Act.
4. Rebates will be issued only for contributions made between the date of the candidate's nomination filing and the conclusion of the candidate's campaign period, including any supplementary period if applicable.