

**Decision**

An Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities  
(chapter E-2.2)

**Chief Electoral Officer**  
**— Applications to vote at a mobile polling station for voters suffering from reduced mobility in the Ville de Montréal**

Decision of the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to the powers conferred upon him by section 90.5 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities regarding applications to vote at a mobile polling station for voters suffering from reduced mobility in the Ville de Montréal

WHEREAS municipal elections will be held on November 5, 2017;

WHEREAS section 175 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities (CQLR, chapter E-2.2) stipulates that every person registered on the list of electors as a person domiciled in a private seniors' residence identified in the register created under the Act respecting health services and social services (CQLR, chapter S-4.2) or in a facility covered by the second paragraph of section 50 may vote at a mobile polling station;

WHEREAS under section 175 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, a person wishing to vote at a mobile polling station must apply in writing to the returning officer no later than the last day set for the presentation to the board of revisors of applications for registration, striking off and corrections to the list of electors;

WHEREAS in the Ville de Montréal, the last day for applying in writing to vote at a mobile polling station was October 17, 2017, 10:00 p.m.;

WHEREAS due to an error in the delivery of mail by Canada Post, application forms for voting at a mobile polling station sent by mail were returned to the sender;

WHEREAS as a result of this special situation, some electors were prevented from being registered for the mobile poll;

WHEREAS the mobile poll in the Ville de Montréal took place on Saturday, October 28, 2017;

WHEREAS the electors in question, due to their reduced mobility, will not be able to exercise their right to vote in the municipal election on November 5, 2017;

WHEREAS section 90.5 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities allows the Chief Electoral Officer to adapt a provision of the Act where he observes that, subsequent to an error, it does not meet the demands of the resultant situation;

WHEREAS the Chief Electoral Officer has first informed the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy of the decision he intends to make;

The Chief Electoral Officer, pursuant to the powers conferred upon him by section 90.5 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities, has decided to adapt sections 174, 175, 178 and 219 of the said Act as follows:

1. The preamble is an integral part of this decision;
2. The returning officer of the Ville de Montréal is authorized to issue an authorization to vote for electors suffering from reduced mobility whose application to be registered to vote at a mobile polling station is not delivered by Canada Post within the time limits.
3. The returning officer of the Ville de Montréal is authorized to set up a mobile polling station on the day and at the hours that he or she determines for the purpose of applying paragraph 2.
4. The third paragraph of section 178 and the second paragraph of section 219 of the Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities do not apply in the cases concerned under paragraph 2.
5. The returning officer shall inform every party or recognized ticket, as the case may be, and every independent candidate.

This decision is effective as of the date on which it is signed.

Québec, November 2, 2017

PIERRE REID,  
*Chief Electoral Officer*

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