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Unofficial Westside Governance Referendum Results

On Saturday, June 16th, eligible voters cast ballots in the Westside Governance Referendum answering two questions. Here are the unofficial results of the ballot count:

Question 1

Do you want to change the way the Westside area is governed, either by joining the City of Kelowna or becoming a separate municipality?

Yes – 9,728

No – 1,835

Question 2

If change happens, which option would you prefer?

Create a Westside Municipality – 5,924

Join the City of Kelowna – 5,582

It's estimated there were 23,780 eligible voters in this referendum. The total number of ballots cast in the referendum is 11,586 (also includes rejected ballots that were cast). The results of the referendum will not be officially declared until Wednesday, June 20th.

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Declaration of Westside Governance Referendum Results

On Saturday, June 16th, balloting was conducted for qualified electors within the Westside Governance Referendum Boundary Area. In accordance with the Local Government Act, Chief Election Officer Lyla Lindsay has declared the results to be official.

Communications Coordinator Bruce Smith says, "Electors supported a change in their local governance structure and voted in favour of incorporation of a new municipality. The Regional District conducted the referendum for the Ministry of Community Services, which has been advised of the official declaration of results."

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