

PRELIMINARY MAXIMUM CAMPAIGN EXPENSES
Municipal Elections Act, 1996 (s. 33.0.1(1) and 88.20(6))

Based on eligible electors as of September 2022

For Candidates running for office on Municipal Council: In accordance with section 33.0.1(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* as amended, the following is your **initial** certificate of maximum campaign expenses. These numbers are based on the 2022 electoral population. You will be provided with a **final** certificate of maximum campaign expenses in September 2026. The higher of the two (2) will be considered your maximum campaign expense limit.

1. Preliminary Maximum Contributions to a Candidate's Own Campaign are calculated in accordance with subsection 88.9.1(1) as the lesser of:
 - Mayor: \$7,500 plus 0.20 cents for each elector entitled to vote for the office, or
 - Deputy Mayor and Councillor: \$5,000 plus 0.20 cents for each elector entitled to vote for the office; and,
 - \$25,000
 2. There is a limit of \$1,200 per individual contribution.
 3. A contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to candidates running for office on the same Council.
 4. Preliminary Maximum Campaign Expenses are calculated in accordance with Ontario Regulation 101/97 as follows for each elector entitled to vote for the office. Limits are placed on expenses based on a formula related to the number of electors:
 - For the office of Mayor, it is \$7,500 plus \$0.85 for each elector entitled to vote for the office
 - For positions of Deputy Mayor and Councillor, it is \$5,000 plus \$0.85 per elector
 5. The Final Certificate of Maximum Campaign Expense Limit will include the spending amount related to parties (i.e. expressions of appreciation) after Election Day, as per Section 88.20(9) of the Act and as per O. Reg 101/97. The amount shall be calculated as ten (10) percent (10%) of the final maximum campaign expense limit.
 6. On or before **September 28, 2026**, each candidate will receive a Final Certificate of Maximum Permitted Expenses pursuant to Section 88.20(6) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.
 7. An expense shall not be incurred by or under the direction of a candidate outside of their election campaign period.
 8. The Clerk's calculation is final.
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PRELIMINARY CAMPAIGN EXPENSE LIMIT

| Position | Maximum contribution to candidate's own election campaign | Total Maximum Campaign Expense |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Mayor | \$10,812.00 | \$21,652.05 |
| Deputy Mayor | \$8,312.00 | \$19,076.00 |
| Councillor | \$8,312.00 | \$19,076.00 |

I, Brent Larmer, Town Clerk for the Town of Cobourg, hereby certify the initial maximum campaign expenses that a candidate running for office on Municipal Council is permitted to incur for the Municipal Election to be held in the Town of Cobourg on October 26, 2026.



Brent Larmer, Town Clerk/ Deputy Returning Officer

Candidates are encouraged to review the Town of Cobourg Municipal Election Material, in conjunction with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* and monitor the Town of Cobourg Municipal Election Website for additional updates. www.cobourgvotes.ca.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Clerk election staff at cobourgvotes@cobourg.ca or 905-372-4301.
