

### **Nomination Package**

This package contains all of the relevant forms and information to become a candidate in the election or the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government to be held on November 14, 2015

Please review the instructions, complete the relevant forms, and submit your completed package to the Chief Electoral Officer at the Uchucklesaht Tribe Administrative Offices.

Chief Electoral Officer



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This package contains all of the documents that a Candidate will require to participate in the election for the Uchucklesaht Tribe.

If you want to be a candidate you must:

- 1.) Get someone who is an eligible voter<sup>1</sup> to nominate you by completing a **Nomination Form** (a copy of which is included in this package) and submitting it to the Chief Electoral Officer before 1:00 p.m. on September 25, 2015, or in person at the Nomination Meeting on September 26, 2015, at the Echo Park Field House 4200 Wood Ave. Port Alberni BC
- 2.) Ensure that the person nominating you completes a **Voter Declaration Form** (a copy of which is included in this package).
- 3.) Have someone who is an eligible voter second your nomination at the Nomination Meeting on September 26.
- 4.) Complete an **Acceptance of Candidacy Form** (a copy of which is included in this package)
- 5.) Complete a **Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate** form (a copy of which is included in this package) for the relevant office and have it duly Notarized.
- 6.) Get a **Criminal Record Check** from the Port Alberni RCMP. The check must be completed and the results submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer by October 2, 2015. No candidates will be approved unless they have completed a Criminal Record Check. You do not have to wait until you have been nominated to start the process for a Criminal Record check. Do this as soon as possible to ensure that your candidacy can be approved.
- 7.) Provide a Nomination Deposit of \$100 to the Chief Electoral Officer before October 2, 2015. This deposit will be refunded if the candidate receives 15% or more of the total vote.
- 8.) Provide a head and shoulders photograph (preferably in electronic format.)

#### You can file the Nomination Forms at the Uchucklesaht Administration offices.

If you have any questions contact the Chief Electoral Officer by email at <a href="https://www.ca">UT\_CEO@shaw.ca</a> or by telephone at (250) 881-0142.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An eligible voter is defined in the Uchucklesaht tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014 as an Uchucklesaht citizen who is or will be 16 years old on the general voting day (November 14, 2015). Check the Voters List posted in the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government administration offices to determine if a person is an eligible voter.



#### **Nomination Instructions**

Any eligible voter, pursuant to the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014 (the Act), may nominate candidates for the position of Chief Councillor, Councillor-at-Large, or Family Councillor. You may only nominate one person for any one of these offices and you may only nominate a candidate for Family Councillor for the family to which you belong and for which you have declared yourself to be a member.

In order to nominate a person to be a candidate for any office, you must complete a **Nomination Form** that sets out your name, your Citizenship Number or Date of Birth, your address, the name of the person who you wish to nominate, and the office for which you are nominating that person.

You must also complete and have witnessed a **Voter Declaration Form** that includes your name, address and date of birth, and a statement that you are a member of the appropriate family, and that you have not nominated any other candidates for that particular office.

A nomination form and voter declaration form are required for each office that you are nominating a candidate for.

Forms are available from the Uchucklesaht Tribe Administrative Office at 5323 River Road, Port Alberni BC during regular office hours and are included in this package.

The Chief Electoral Officer must receive nominations no later than 1:00 p.m. on September 25, 2015. Nominations may be deposited at the Uckucklesaht Tribe Administration Building, 5323 River Road Port Alberni or may be submitted, in person, at the Nomination Meeting to be held on:

# September 26 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Echo Park Field House, 4200 Wood Ave, Port Alberni, V9Y 8B3

Nominations are not valid unless they have been seconded by an eligible voter at the Nomination Meeting.

For further information you may contact the Chief Electoral Officer for the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government by email at UT\_CEO@shaw.ca or by telephone at (250) 881-0142



### **Nomination Form**

I,	
(Voter Name)	
Citizenship # or Date of Birth	
Family Affiliation	
Residing at:	
Address:	
City:Postal Code_	
Telephone:(	
Nominate:	
(Name of Nominee)	
For the office of:(*Insert relevant office, Chief Counci	llor, Councillor-at-Large, or Family Councillor)
(Signature of Voter)	(Name of Witness)
(Date)	(Signature of Witness)
Office Use Only – The information below will be comp Meeting.	leted by the Electoral Officer at the Nomination
Seconded by:(Name)	(Signature)
	(Signature)
Citizenship Number or Birth Date:	



### **Voter Declaration Form**

I,		Citizenship # or Da	ite of Birth	
/	(Voter Name)			
Addre	ss:			
City:_		Postal Code		
DO S	WEAR AND DECLARE:			
1.	As of the date of the electi	ion, I am or will be at least 16	years of age;	
2.	I am an Uchucklesaht citizen pursuant to the provisions of the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Citizenship Act UTS 35/2014;			
3.	That I am a declared mem	ber of the	family	
	I have freely, of my own v	will, and with the full understan	nding of the nomination	
	process completed a nomin	nation form for		
	1 1	(Name of Nor		
	for the office of			
	•	e, Chief Councillor, Councillor-at-La		
4.	I have not nominated or se	econded the nomination for any	y other candidate for this	
	office.			
Signat	ture of Voter	Date	e	
Decla	ration of Witness			
I,		did personally witness	the above declared voter	
-,	(Name of Witness)	sign this <b>Voter De</b>		
	(Signature of Witness)	Date		
Addres	SS:			
		<del></del>		
Teleph	one #: _()			



### **Acceptance of Candidacy**

l,	, Citizenship No	and
resident of	, hereby accept the nomin	nation as
candidate in the election for		
(*Insert relevant office, Chief Cour	ncillor, Councillor-at-Large, or Family Cou	ncillor)
Signature	-	
Witness Name:		
Witness signature:		
Date:		



### **Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate**

Attached are two forms that candidates must complete to be eligible to present themselves as a candidate for this election.

- One form is for Chief Councillor or for Councillor at Large
- One form is for Family Councillor

Please choose the form for the office that you are seeking and complete that form and submit it to the Chief Electoral Officer along with all of the other required documentation.



## **Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate for Chief Councillor**

(Candidate Name)				
Residing at:				
Address:				
City:Postal Code				
DO SWEAR AND DECLARE:				
5. As of the date of the election, I am or will be at least 25 years of age;				
6. I am an Uchucklesaht citizen pursuant to the provisions of the Uchucklesaht Tribe				
Government Citizenship Act UTS 10/2011;				
7. I have not been convicted of an indictable offense pursuant to the Criminal Code				
(Canada), (Candidates will be required to provide a current criminal record check.)				
8. I am not otherwise excluded from candidacy by provisions of the Uchucklesaht				
Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014. (Relevant section attached.)				
SWORN BEFORE ME in the of, in the Province of British Columbia, this day of20 Signature of Candidate				
Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Commissioner of Oaths, etc.				

### PART 4 - NOMINATIONS AND CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

#### Qualifications of candidates

- **4.1** (a) Subject to this Act,
  - (i) a Uchucklesaht citizen who is at least 25 years of age may be nominated to run as a candidate for the office of chief councillor, and
  - (ii) a Uchucklesaht citizen who is at least 19 years of age may be nominated to run as a candidate for any other elected office.
  - (b)A Uchucklesaht citizen may not be a candidate in an election if that person
    - (i) is not, or will not be, at least 25 or 19 years of age on the general voting day for that election in accordance with subsection (a),
    - (ii) is an electoral officer for that election,
    - (iii) is a nominee for another elected office in that election,
    - (iv) is an undischarged bankrupt,
    - (v) is suffering from a medical or psychological condition, including dependency on drugs or alcohol, that a medical practitioner in writing concludes would render that person likely to be incapable of performing the duties or exercising the powers of the elected office, or
    - (vi) has been convicted of an indictable offence as referred to in the Criminal Code (Canada).



### Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate for Councillor-at-Large or Family Councillor

(Candidate Name)	
Residing at:	
DO SWEAR AND DECLARE:	
9. As of the date of the election, I am or will be at least 19 years of a	nge;
10. I am an Uchucklesaht citizen pursuant to the provisions of the Uc	hucklesaht Tribe
Government Citizenship Act UTS 10/2011;	
11. I have not been convicted of an indictable offense pursuant to the	Criminal Code
(Canada), (Candidates will be required to provide a current criminal record cl	heck.)
12. I am not otherwise excluded from candidacy by provisions of the	Uchucklesaht
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### **Criminal Record Check**

Section 4.1 of the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government Elections Act UTS 35/2014 (the Act) establishes the Qualifications of Candidates and states:

4.1 (b) A Uchucklesaht citizen may not be a candidate in an election if that person (vi) has been convicted of an indictable offence as referred to in the Criminal Code (Canada)

Candidates will be required to complete a Declaration of Eligibility as a Candidate for the office for which she or he wishes to be a candidate. This declaration includes a declaration that they have not been convicted of an indictable offence.

The Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) is empowered to "... use all means reasonably necessary to ensure that elections are conducted fairly..." (Section 3.7(b) of the Act) and "...may... require the nominee to provide...such relevant documents ...as the chief electoral officer considers necessary or advisable..." (Section 4.7 (b) (i) of the Act).

In order to ensure the fair conduct of the election and to ensure transparency in the elections process, the CEO will require that all candidates provide a current criminal record check.

Forms for these checks are available from the RCMP and prospective candidate are urged to contact the Port Alberni RCMP as soon as possible to complete the criminal record check. There is no requirement for a "vulnerable sector" check, just a simple Criminal Record check.

Prospective candidate are reminded of the following important dates:

**September 15, 2015** – Notice of Election Nomination packages available **September 25, 2015** – 1:00 p.m. Deadline for submissions of nominations to the CEO

**September 26, 2015** – 1:00 Nomination meeting. Nominations may be made in person at the meeting and all nominations must be seconded at the meeting. **October 2, 2015** – last day for nominated candidates to submit their **Acceptance of Candidacy** to the CEO

October 6, 2015 – Deadline for the CEO to approve nominations

This means that the CEO must have a completed criminal record check for any prospective candidate prior to October 2, 2015 or the nomination will not be approved. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS.