



DATE: NOVEMBER 28, 2023
TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL
FROM: TODD COLES, CITY CLERK / RETURNING OFFICER
RE: COMMUNICATION – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (WORKING SESSION) – 29 NOVEMBER 2023, ITEM #2, RETURNING OFFICER’S REPORT 2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

PURPOSE

To correct data provided on page 18 of *ATTACHMENT 1 – 2022 Returning Officer’s Report* pertaining to voter turnout by ward and voting method and supply additional data pertaining to ballots cast by ward and voting method.

BACKGROUND

Figure 1 below, displays the voter turnout by method by ward. A preference for internet voting was reflected across all five wards, with an overall average of 60% voting by internet and 40% voting by paper ballot and tabulator. Voters in Wards 2 and 3 showed the most balanced preference between the two voting methods, with 58% voting by internet and 42% by paper. Ward 4 had the highest preference for internet voting with 68% of all ballots cast online.

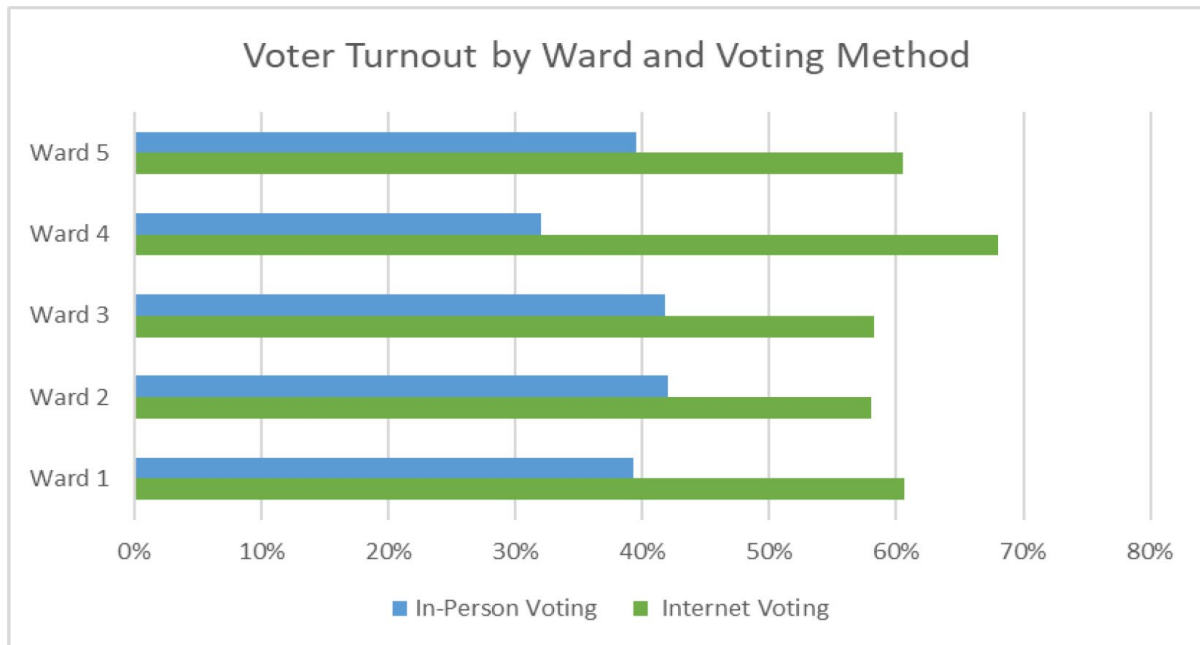


Figure 1 Voter Turnout by Ward and Voting Method



As detailed in *Figure 2* below, the majority of ballots cast by voters in the 2022 Municipal Election were cast using the internet voting method provided during the Advance Vote period.

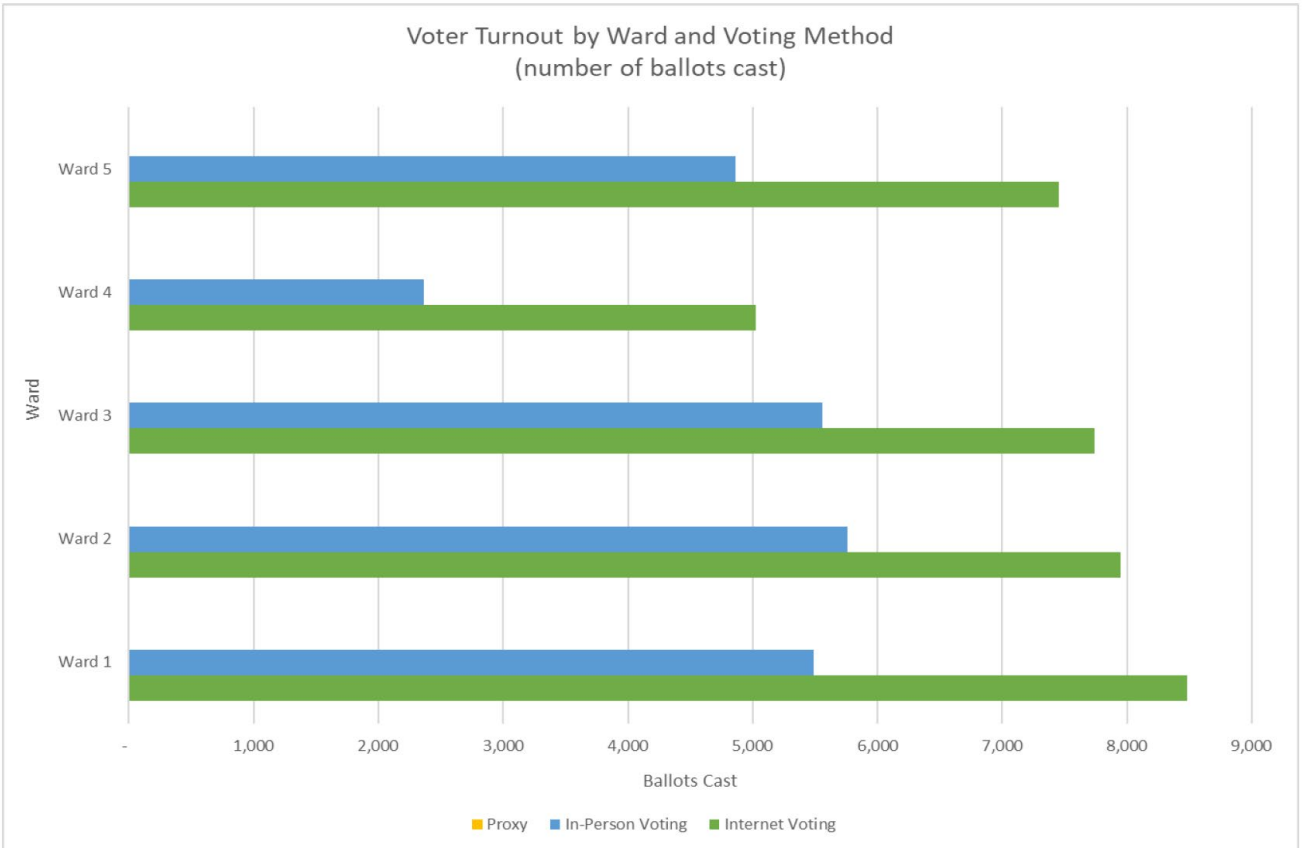


Figure 2 Voter Turnout by Ward and Voting Method (numbers of ballots cast)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'T. Coles'.

Todd Coles

City Clerk / Returning Officer