

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Vancouver-Point Grey By-election

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The Honourable Bill Barisoff Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Province of British Columbia Parliament Buildings Victoria, British Columbia V8V 1X4

Honourable Speaker:

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election held on May 11, 2011.

This report is filed in accordance with section 13 (1) (b) of the Election Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith Archer, Ph.D. Chief Electoral Officer British Columbia

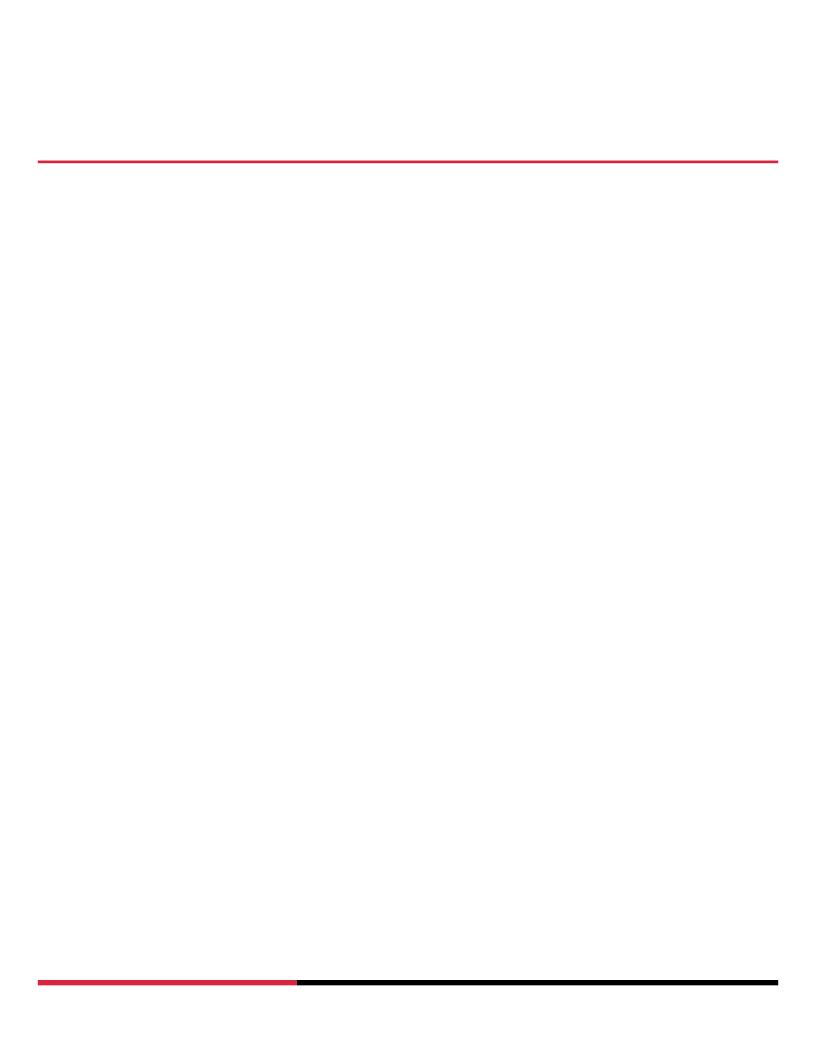


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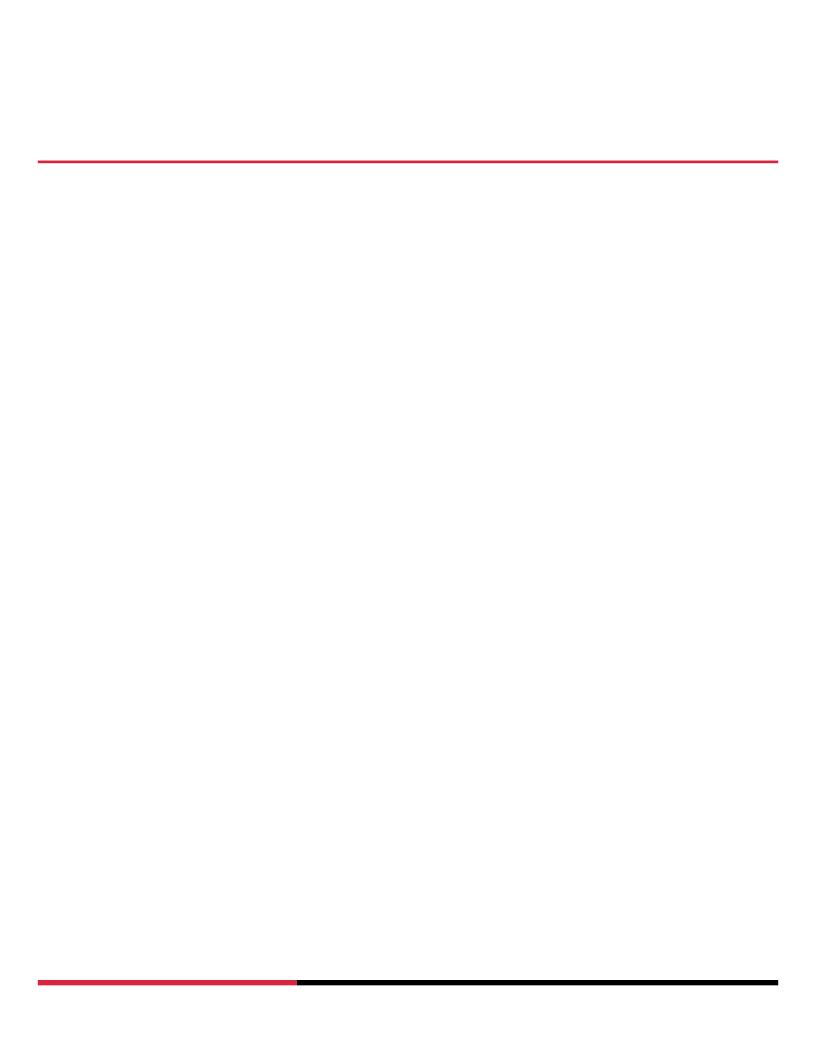
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Overview

Summary

Submitted in accordance with section 13 (1) (b) of the *Election Act*, this report describes the proceedings, the results and the costs of the May 11, 2011 by-election in the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district.

The by-election was called following the resignation of Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) Gordon Campbell. Contested by six candidates, the by-election resulted in the election of BC Liberal Party candidate, Christy Clark.

Voter turnout was 38.94%. The by-election cost Elections BC \$498,166 to administer.

Order for a by-election

On March 15, 2011, Gordon Campbell resigned as the MLA for the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district.

Pursuant to section 35 of the *Constitution Act*, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly informed the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of the vacancy by means of a warrant. The Chief Electoral Officer received the warrant on March 17, 2011. As the writ for a by-election must be issued within six months after receipt of the warrant by the Chief Electoral Officer, the last possible date for calling the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election was September 17, 2011.

The by-election was called on April 13, 2011 when the Lieutenant Governor in Council ordered that a writ of election for the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district be issued by the Chief Electoral Officer. The writ ordered that the by-election be held on Wednesday, May 11, 2011.

¹ An Acting Chief Electoral Officer held office during the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election. For clarity, all references in this report will be to the title of Chief Electoral Officer.

By-election calendar

The calendar of events for an election is prescribed by the *Election Act*. It begins on Day 0 when the writ for the election is issued and the election is called. General Voting Day for the election is 28 days after Day 0.

Table	1:	Vancouver-Point	Grev	by-e	election	calendar

Day	Milestone	Date
Day 0	Writ Day	Wednesday, April 13, 2011
Day 5	Close of standing nominations	Monday, April 18, 2011
Day 6	Start of ordinary nomination period	Tuesday, April 19, 2011
Day 7	Close of general voter registration	Wednesday, April 20, 2011
Day 10	Close of ordinary nomination period	Saturday, April 23, 2011
Day 14	Revised voters list produced	Wednesday, April 27, 2011
Day 21	Start of advance voting	Wednesday, May 4, 2011
Day 24	End of advance voting	Saturday, May 7, 2011
Day 28	General Voting Day	Wednesday, May 11, 2011
Day 35	Start of final count*	Wednesday, May 18, 2011
Day 42	Return day	Wednesday, May 25, 2011

*In accordance with section 128 of the *Election Act*, final count normally begins on Day 41 (in this case, Tuesday, May 24, 2011). However, the Chief Electoral Officer authorized that final count be moved to Day 35 (Wednesday, May 18, 2011). This was possible due to the low number of absentee ballots cast and the fact that in the case of a single by-election, there are no absentee ballots cast in other electoral districts.

The Vancouver-Point Grey by-election calendar overlapped with the May 2, 2011 federal general election calendar. General Voting Day for the by-election occurred only eight days after General Voting Day for the federal general election. While media reports of 'election fatigue' among voters was a common theme during both election campaigns, the effect of these events on the by-election is difficult to quantify. Voter turnout in the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election (38.94%) was higher than turnout in the 2008 by-elections in Vancouver-Burrard (23.21%) and Vancouver-Fairview (26.93%), but was lower than turnout for the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district in the 2009 General Election (55.98%). Comparing voter turnout between the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election and the May 2, 2011 federal general election is not possible because the provincial and federal electoral districts have very different boundaries.

Elections BC staff reported less anecdotal evidence of voter confusion over campaign signs, identification requirements and the jurisdiction for which a Member was being elected than in the by-elections of 2008. However, differences between provincial and federal election rules created some confusion for some election officials.

Nomination of candidates

The *Election Act* provides two methods for nominating candidates; standing nominations and ordinary nominations. For a by-election, standing nominations may be submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer at any time until 4:30 p.m. (Pacific time) on Day 5. Ordinary nominations may be submitted to the District Electoral Officer during the ordinary nomination period, which begins at 9 a.m. on Day 6 and ends at 1 p.m. (Pacific time) on Nomination Day, Day 10.

The period for submitting standing nominations for the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election closed at 4:30 p.m. on April 18, 2011. No candidates filed standing nominations.

The ordinary nomination period was from 9 a.m. on April 19, 2011, to 1 p.m. on April 23, 2011, during which six candidates were nominated.

Table 2: Candidates in	Vancouver-Point Gi	rey in the order	in which they	appeared on th	าe ballot
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Candidate	Affiliation
Danielle Alie	BC First
Christy Clark	BC Liberal Party
David Eby	BC NDP
William Gibbens	Independent
Eddie Petrossian	Independent
Françoise Raunet	Green Party of BC

Voter registration

Only individuals who are registered to vote may vote in a provincial election or byelection. To register an individual must be: a Canadian citizen, 18 years or older on General Voting Day, a resident of British Columbia for six months immediately preceding General Voting Day, and not be disqualified from voting.

Elections BC offers many opportunities to register as a voter. Individuals may register online using the Online Voter Registration system, by telephone, in person at a district electoral office, Service BC Centre or at Elections BC headquarters, or by submitting a voter registration application by mail, fax or email.

The period between Day 8 and Day 31 of an election is known as the 'closed period for general registration'. During this period, Elections BC finalizes updates to the voters list and prints Where to Vote cards and voting books. General registration is suspended and individuals may only register when they vote.

The closed period for general registration in the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election began on April 21, 2011. During the closed period voters could only register in conjunction with voting. To do so, individuals are required to prove their identity and place of residence either by presenting identification, or through a process known as vouching.

When the writ was issued, there were 39,943 registered voters in Vancouver-Point Grey. At the close of general voting on General Voting Day, the number of registered voters in Vancouver-Point Grey had increased to 40,959.

Table 3: Number of registered voters in Vancouver-Point Grey

Day	Date	Registered voters
Day 0 - writ of election	April 13, 2011	39,943
Day 7 - close of general registration	April 20, 2011	40,032
Day 28 - close of general voting	May 11, 2011	40,959

Public information

The *Election Act* requires the Chief Electoral Officer to provide public notice of an election containing information regarding voter registration and voting opportunities. In addition to meeting these statutory requirements, Elections BC is committed to providing an inclusive and accessible electoral process. Therefore, Elections BC implemented a comprehensive communications plan to inform voters in Vancouver-Point Grey of their electoral rights, the electoral process, the times and locations of voting opportunities and where additional information could be found.

Early in the campaign period, Elections BC distributed information pamphlets ("householders") to each household in the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district. The pamphlet contained the dates and times of advance and general voting, a map of the electoral district, voter eligibility requirements and Elections BC contact information. In total, 21,058 householders were delivered in Vancouver-Point Grey.

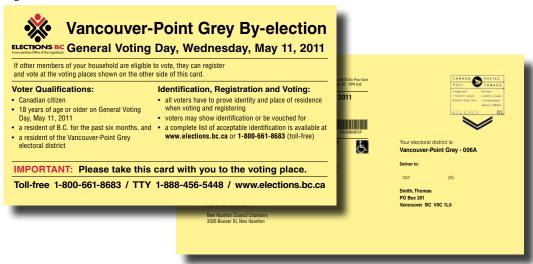
Figure 1: By-election information pamphlet



As required by the *Election Act*, Elections BC published advertisements regarding the by-election in newspapers available in the electoral district.

Prior to the start of advance voting, Where to Vote cards were mailed to every registered voter in Vancouver-Point Grey. The cards informed voters of their assigned voting place; dates, times and locations of voting opportunities; voting eligibility requirements; and the opportunity to register in conjunction with voting.

Figure 2: Where to Vote card



To accommodate increased call volumes, Elections BC hired additional staff to answer calls to its 1-800 phone number. Operators were available during regular business hours and for extended hours during advance voting and general voting.

Elections BC's website was enhanced to provide website visitors with a single source for by-election information. The web page was updated over the course of the campaign period to reflect candidate nominations, election expenses limits, voting place addresses and voting results.

Figure 3: By-election web page



Following the close of general voting, a technical issue caused the preliminary voting results page on the Elections BC website to display an incorrect value for the total number of ballot boxes to be reported. As soon as the error was identified, Elections BC staff responded and resolved the technical issue so that the correct number of total ballot boxes was displayed. The vote count was not affected by this issue.

Officials

The Chief Electoral Officer appoints a District Electoral Officer (DEO) to administer elections in each electoral district. One or more Deputy District Electoral Officers are also appointed to provide assistance, and to replace the DEO if the position becomes vacant.

Table 4: Vancouver-Point Grey District Electoral Officer and Deputy

Name	Role
Jan Pierce	District Electoral Officer
Maija Fenger	Deputy District Electoral Officer

DEOs hire election and voter registration officials to register voters, supervise voting places, issue ballots and maintain ballot boxes, provide information to voters and perform other duties at voting places.

The DEO for Vancouver-Point Grey appointed seven Elections BC staff members and six experienced DEOs from neighbouring electoral districts as election officials to work on General Voting Day. By using staff with a significant background in administering elections, a review of existing training materials and procedures was conducted, and improvements will be introduced.

Table 5: Number of officials hired by position in Vancouver-Point Grey

Position	Number of officials
Information Officers	61
Supervisory Voting Officers	25
Voting Clerks	153
Voting Officers	196
Voter Registration Officers	63

Voting

The *Election Act* provides British Columbians with a wide variety of voting opportunities. Three advance voting locations and 17 general voting locations were provided in the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district. Absentee voting was available to voters who voted outside of their assigned voting place. Alternative absentee voting was also available in the district electoral office and by mail. Mobile teams administered special voting at long-term care facilities in the electoral district for voters who would not otherwise have been able to vote.

Table 6: Number of valid votes cast by voting opportunity in Vancouver-Point Grey

Voting opportunity	Section of Election Act	Number of valid votes	% of popular vote
General voting	s. 96	11,696	73.48%
Advanced voting	s. 97	3,370	21.17%
Special voting	s. 98	17	0.11%
Absentee voting in electoral district	s. 99	651	4.09%
Alternative absentee voting (in DEO office)	s. 104	161	1.01%
Alternative absentee voting (by mail)	s. 106	23	0.14%
Total valid votes		15,918	100.00%

Voter turnout was 38.94% of registered voters in Vancouver-Point Grey

Voting results

Summary of results

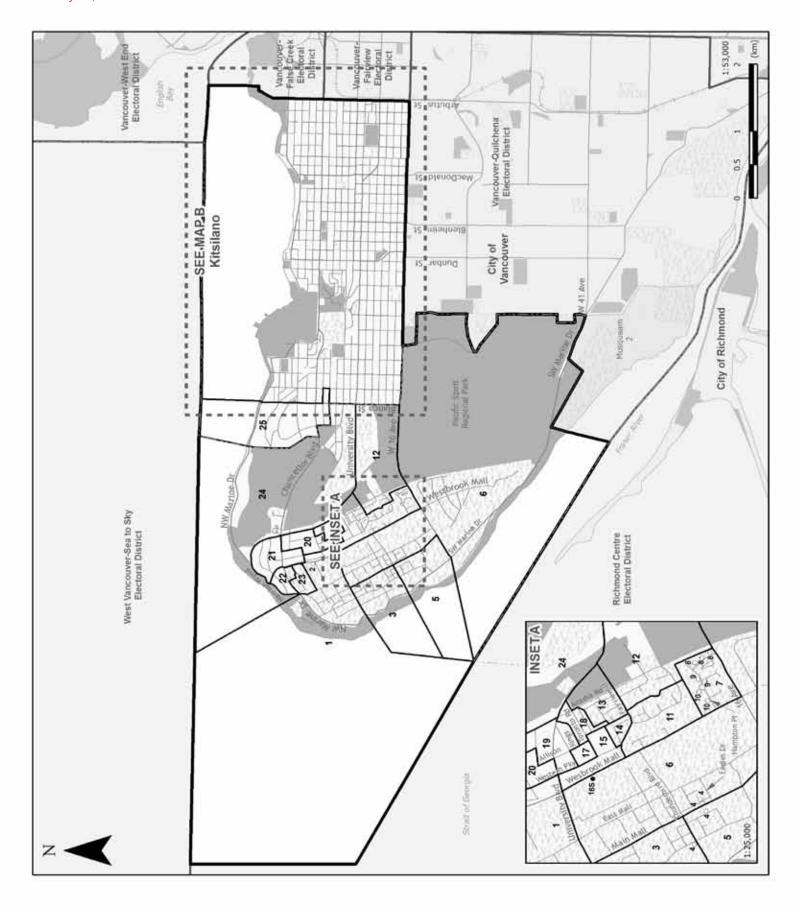
Ballots from advance voting and general voting are counted at initial count following the close of voting on General Voting Day. Ballots contained in certification envelopes from other voting opportunities such as absentee and special voting are considered at final count. Final count took place on May 18, 2011.

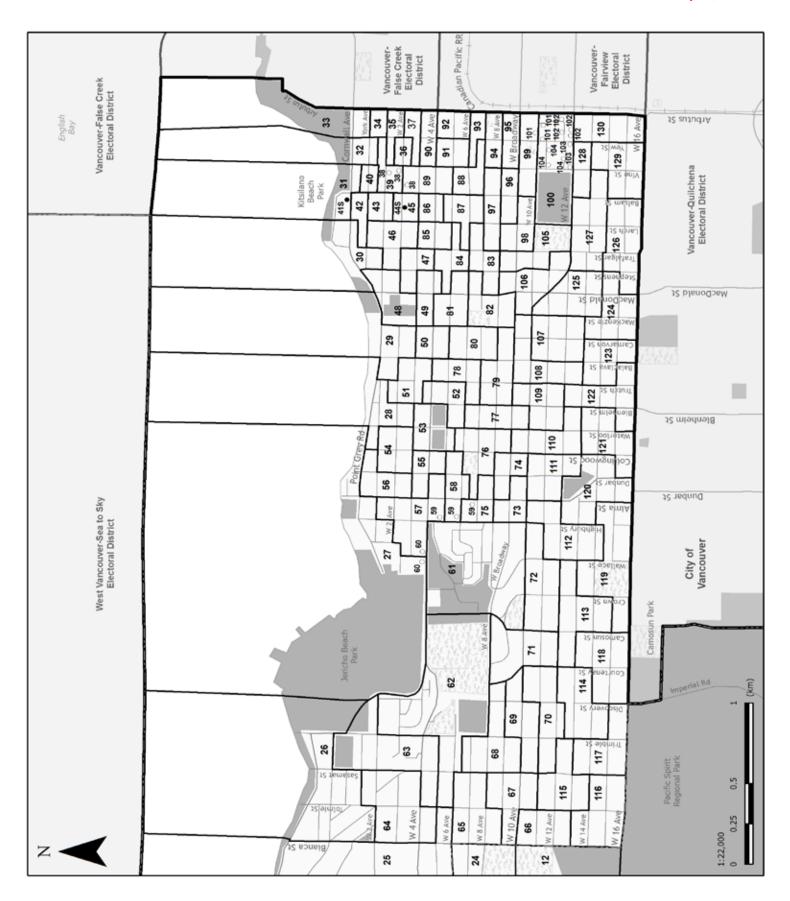
The *Election Act* requires a delay of six days between the conclusion of final count and the return of the writ of election. This provides sufficient time for a candidate, voter or the District Electoral Officer to request a judicial recount. A judicial recount was not requested and the writ of election was returned on May 25, 2011.

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Candidate	Affiliation	Valid votes	% of popular vote			
Danielle Alie	BC First	379	2.38%			
Christy Clark	BC Liberal Party	7,757	48.73%			
David Eby	BC NDP	7,193	45.19%			
William Gibbens	Independent	28	0.18%			
Eddie Petrossian	Independent	16	0.10%			
Françoise Raunet	Green Party of BC	545	3.42%			
	'	15.918	100.00%			

Table 7: Summary of Vancouver-Point Grey results

The following pages contain the results of the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election by voting area. Each voting area is represented by a number, and some are followed by a letter. A voting area corresponding to a grey dot on the accompanying map is a point voting area, which is assigned to a single address or addresses. A voting area followed by the letter S indicates a site-based voting area established at an intermediate or long-term care facility. The ballots cast in some voting areas were combined into a single ballot box where it was necessary to protect the secrecy of the vote or for reasons of efficiency.





	Danielle Alie	Christy Clark	David Eby	William Gibbens	Eddie Petrossian	Françoise Raunet	Total valid votes	Rejected ballots	Registered voters
	FP	LIB	NDP	IND	IND	GP			
Advance voting	1	,					''		
Jericho Hill Centre	11	429	180	0	0	18	638	0	
Kitsilano Comm Centre	24	890	809	5	4	66	1798	1	
St. Anselm's Anglican Church	10	600	295	1	0	28	934	0	
General voting									
Voting area									
1 *1	2	17	22	0	0	2	43	0	177
2 *1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	81
3 *1	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	343
4	1	33	22	0	0	4	60	0	333
5	0	43	60	0	0	1	104	0	407
6	2	76	68	0	0	3	149	0	601
7	0	57	24	0	0	1	82	0	331
8	5	40	22	0	0	0	67	0	337
9	0	49	16	0	0	1	66	0	305
10	1	44	18	1	0	1	65	0	324
11	1	8	17	0	0	0	26	0	327
12	1	17	38	0	0	3	59	0	310
13 *2	2	28	42	0	1	2	75	0	270
14 *2	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	212
15 *2	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	277
16S	1	18	15	1	0	0	35	2	54
17	2	10	12	0	0	3	27	1	254
18	0	6	17	0	0	3	26	0	222
19	1	13	13	0	0	2	29	0	237
20	1	60	15	0	0	1	77	0	248
21	0	31	11	0	0	1	43	0	188
22	5	18	6	0	0	0	29	0	216
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23	4	39 75	21	0	0	2	66 117		336
24	2	75 00	37	0	0	3	117	0	338
25	2	90	20	0	0	3	115	0	317
26	2	79	30	0	0	3	114	0	356
27	2	46	65	0	0	5	118	1	309
28	2	43	45	0	0	4	94	0	334
29	1	39	35	0	0	1	76	0	304
30	4	60	23	0	0	2	89	0	295
31	1	42	37	2	0	7	89	0	316
32	1	18	25	0	0	6	50	0	318
33	1	19	27	0	0	4	51	0	251
34	0	10	43	0	0	2	55	0	245
35	1	32	27	0	0	1	61	0	352
36	2	22	28	1	0	2	55	0	281
37	3	19	34	0	0	4	60	0	388
38	1	29	19	0	1	1	51	0	233
39	1	29	27	0	0	1	58	0	321
40	3	18	34	0	0	1	56	0	269
41S *3	1	37	7	1	0	1	47	2	63

	Danielle Alie	Christy Clark	David Eby	William Gibbens	Eddie Petrossian	Françoise Raunet	Total valid votes	Rejected ballots	Registered voters
	FP	LIB	NDP	IND	IND	GP			
42	6	41	36	0	0	2	85	0	309
43	2	48	42	0	0	2	94	0	325
44S *3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46
45	8	35	58	0	0	4	105	1	313
46	2	68	73	0	0	10	153	1	354
47	1	28	46	0	0	4	79	0	344
48	1	48	46	0	0	2	97	0	344
49	1	24	31	0	0	1	57	0	296
50	3	28	33	0	0	3	67	0	366
51	1	48	56	1	0	1	107	0	381
52	4	65	62	0	0	4	135	1	357
53	5	53	40	0	0	4	102	0	316
54	0	50	75	0	2	8	135	0	341
55	3	35	47	0	2	1	88	0	338
56	4	40	52	0	0	9	105	0	325
57	4	42	66	0	0	6	118	0	357
58	1	48	76	1	1	4	131	0	307
59	2	12	40	1	0	2	57	1	272
60	8	37	86	0	1	10	142	0	260
61	12	57	35	0	0	3	107	0	340
62	6	80	40	0	0	6	132	0	350
63	2	76	35	2	0	5	120	0	338
64	3	69	35	0	0	0	107	0	312
65	3	98	64	0	0	3	168	0	369
66	6	41	62	1	0	1	111	0	345
67	3	32	46	0	0		86	4	348
68	3	85	44	0	0	4	136	0	409
69	4	44	40	0	0	0	88	0	372
70	5	68	51	0	1	4	129	0	336
71	3	79	43	1	0	2	128	0	315
72	4	73	44	0	0	1	122	0	337
73	4	31	42	0	0	0	77	0	291
74	6	21	71	0	0	3	101	1	342
75	1	58	50	1	0	2	112	0	310
76	4	63	76	0	0	2	145	0	344
77	2	31	63	0	0	3	99	0	325
78	3	52	76	0	0	2	133	0	383
79	0	40	78	1	0	3	122	0	332
80	4	40	84	0	0	9	138	0	332 347
							99		
82	2	39 57	52 65	0	0	5 2		0	347
							126		320
83	2	29	54	0	0	5	90	0	332
84	1	33	63	0	0	2	99	0	329
85	2	18	48	0	0	0	68	0	313
86	1	21	29	0	0	3	54	0	331

	Danielle Alie	Christy Clark	David Eby	William Gibbens	Eddie Petrossian	Françoise Raunet	Total valid votes	Rejected ballots	Registered voters
	FP	LIB	NDP	IND	IND	GP			
87	0	37	48	0	0	0	85	0	256
88	1	25	36	1	0	5	68	0	272
89	2	11	38	0	0	2	53	0	314
90	1	20	29	0	0	5	55	0	336
91	0	25	49	0	0	2	76	1	367
92	4	27	61	0	0	3	95	0	360
93	3	23	47	0	0	4	77	0	319
94	2	28	59	0	0	6	95	0	354
95	0	21	28	0	0	1	50	0	281
96	3	33	55	0	0	4	95	1	316
97	3	27	36	0	0	2	68	0	291
98	3	42	52	0	0	2	99	0	381
99	1	34	28	0	0	6	69	1	400
100	3	45	53	0	0	4	105	0	372
101	0	35	24	0	0	5	64	0	273
102	1	48	18	0	0	2	69	0	291
103	0	23	9	0	0	0	32	2	199
104	0	39	29	0	0	0	68	0	312
105	4	34	45	0	0	7	90	0	314
106	7	34	36	0	0	3	80	0	275
107	2	40	39	0	0	2	83	0	293
108	3	41	78	0	0	9	131	0	323
109	4	53	50	1	0	2	110	0	324
110	1	52	89	0	0	3	145	0	369
111	3	46	79	0	0	2	130	0	346
112	3	72	52	0	0	3	130	0	342
113	2	85	51	0	0	5	143	0	343
114	4	61	57	0	0	4	126	2	366
115	3	85	56	1	1	10	156	1	342
116	3	59	66	1	0	9	138	0	355
117	3	65	60	0	0	6	134	0	335
118	7	76	64	0	0	6	153	0	385
119	6	92	54	0	0	4	156	1	366
120	7	69	50	0	0	5	131	0	353
121	5	39	76	0	0	4	124	0	337
122	6	53	60	0	0	8	127	1	360
123	1	42	46	0	0	2	91	0	266
124	3	40	59	0	0	6	108	0	352
125	3	66	44	1	0	5	119	0	369
126	4	64	49	0	0	0	117	0	338
127	1	55	56	1	0	4	117	1	344
128	0	44	21	0	0	3	68	0	286
129	3	66	51	0	0	1	121	0	342
130	5	74	28	0	0	0	107	0	392
Sub totals	369	7,369	6,776	27	14	511	15,066	29	40,959

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	Danielle Alie	Christy Clark	David Eby	William Gibbens	Eddie Petrossian	Françoise Raunet	Total valid votes	Rejected ballots	Registered voters
	FP	LIB	NDP	IND	IND	GP			
s. 98 Special	1	10	5	0	0	1	17	0	
s. 99 Absentee - in ED	9	289	326	0	2	25	651	2	
s. 100 Absentee - out of ED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
s. 101 Absentee - advance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
s. 104 Voting in DEO office	0	75	77	1	0	8	161	1	
s. 106 Voting by mail	0	14	9	0	0	0	23	1	
Grand totals	379	7,757	7,193	28	16	545	15,918	33	40,959
% of valid votes	2.38%	48.73%	45.19%	0.18%	0.10%	3.42%			

Summary			
Valid votes - General and advance	15,066	94.65%	Total valid votes
s. 98 Special	17	0.11%	Total valid votes
s. 99 Absentee - in ED	651	4.09%	Total valid votes
s. 100 Absentee - out of ED	0	0.00%	Total valid votes
s. 101 Absentee - advance	0	0.00%	Total valid votes
s. 104 Voting in DEO office	161	1.01%	Total valid votes
s. 106 Voting by mail	23	0.14%	Total valid votes
Total valid votes	15,918		
Rejected ballots	33		Ballots cast
Registered voters who voted	15,951		Registered voters
Registered voters	40,959		
Candidate elected:	Christy Clark (LIB)		

^{*1} Voting areas 1, 2 and 3 combined

^{*2} Voting areas 13, 14 and 15 combined

^{*3} Voting areas 41S and 44S combined

Election financing

Introduction

Under the *Election Act*, financial agents for candidates, registered political parties represented by a candidate in the by-election and associated registered constituency associations are required to file election financing reports with the Chief Electoral Officer within 90 days after General Voting Day. Individuals and organizations that sponsor election advertising are required to register with Elections BC. Registered election advertising sponsors who sponsor election advertising with a value of \$500 or more are required to file election advertising disclosure reports within 90 days after General Voting Day.

Following are summaries of election financing reports and election advertising disclosure reports received by Elections BC. The summaries reflect the financing reports as filed and do not include subsequent amendments. After filing, Elections BC staff review the reports for accuracy and completeness. The completed reports and any subsequent amendments are available for viewing on the Elections BC website for up to 10 years. Because Elections BC does not include cents in the summaries, there may be some small differences from the original reports due to rounding.

The filing deadline for the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election was August 9, 2011. One candidate filed during the late filing period (August 10 to September 8, 2011), which required payment of a \$500 fee.

Election expenses limits

Unlike fixed-date general elections, the *Election Act* does not establish a 60 day precampaign period for by-elections. The base election expenses limit for candidates and registered political parties during the campaign period was \$70,000. The base expenses limit for election advertising sponsors was \$3,000. These base amounts were adjusted to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index.

The expenses limits for the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election were:

- \$71,794.87 for registered political parties
- \$71,794.87 for candidates
- \$3,076.92 for election advertising sponsors

Registered constituency associations are prohibited from incurring election expenses except on behalf of a nominee prior to that individual receiving their certificate of candidacy, and any such expenses are considered to be election expenses of the candidate. Therefore, constituency associations do not have an election expenses limit.

Registered political parties

The election financing information in this report includes both the total inflows and total outflows for each registered political party which endorsed a candidate. Total inflows and total outflows may not be equal. This commonly occurs when assets held prior to a campaign period are used, and therefore reported as election expenses but not as inflows. Differences also occur because the reporting periods are different for inflows and outflows.

Total inflows include income and loans received. Except for other income, total inflows are reported from January 1, 2011 to the close of voting on General Voting Day. Other income is miscellaneous income related to the election only.

Political contributions: an amount of money or the value of any property or services provided without compensation by way of donation, advance, deposit, discount or otherwise.

Transfers received: non-reciprocal receipts of money, goods or services from a registered constituency association, a candidate or a leadership contestant.

Fundraising income: the portion of income from fundraising functions that is not reported as political contributions.

Other income: income related to the election from miscellaneous sources.

Loans received: the original amount of loans received for election expenses. Some or all of the loan may have been repaid.

Total outflows are related to the campaign only and are segregated as follows:

Election expenses subject to the expenses limits: the value of property or services used during the campaign period, by or on behalf of a registered political party, registered constituency association, or a candidate to promote or oppose a registered political party or a candidate (e.g. advertising and campaign office expenses). The campaign period is the time between when an election is called (April 13, 2011) and the close of general voting (May 11, 2011). The *Election Act* limits the amount of election expenses a registered political party or candidate can incur during this period.

Election expenses not subject to the expenses limits: election expenses specifically excluded from the election expenses limits (e.g. audit fees). This type of expense is described in section 203 of the *Election Act*.

Other expenses: the value of goods and services used outside the campaign period but in relation to the election.

Transfers given: non-reciprocal provision of money, goods or services to a registered constituency association, a candidate or a leadership contestant.

Registered constituency associations

Registered constituency associations are prohibited from incurring election expenses, except on behalf of a nominee prior to that individual receiving their certificate of candidacy. All election expenses incurred on behalf of a nominee must be included in the candidate's election expenses. Therefore, constituency associations do not report any expenses in their election financing reports. The only outflows reported are transfers given between January 1, 2011 and General Voting Day. Total inflows include income and loans received. Income is from January 1, 2011 to the close of voting on General Voting Day.

Political contributions: an amount of money or the value of any property or services provided without compensation by way of donation, advance, deposit, discount or otherwise.

Transfers received: non-reciprocal receipts of money, goods or services from a registered political party or a candidate.

Fundraising income: the portion of income from fundraising functions that is not reported as political contributions.

Loans received: the original amount of loans received for election expenses. Some or all of the loan may have been repaid.

The only outflows reported by registered constituency associations in election financing reports are:

Transfers given: non-reciprocal provision of money, goods or services to a registered political party or a candidate.

Candidates

The election financing information for candidates in this report includes both the total inflows and outflows. Total inflows and total outflows may not be equal. This commonly occurs when items owned by a candidate prior to a campaign period are used, and therefore reported as election expenses but not as inflows.

Political contributions: an amount of money or the value of any property or services provided without compensation by way of donation, advance, deposit, discount or otherwise.

Transfers received: non-reciprocal receipts of money, goods or services from a registered political party or registered constituency association.

Fundraising income: the portion of income from fundraising functions that is not reported as political contributions.

Other income: income related to the election from miscellaneous sources.

Loans received: the original amount of loans received for election expenses. Some or all of the loan may have been repaid.

Total outflows are segregated as follows:

Election expenses subject to the expenses limits: the value of property or services used during the campaign period, by or on behalf of a registered political party, registered constituency association, or a candidate to promote or oppose a registered political party or a candidate (e.g. advertising and campaign office expenses). The campaign period is the time between when an election is called (April 13, 2011) and the close of general voting (May 11, 2011). The *Election Act* limits the amount of election expenses a registered political party or candidate can incur.

Election expenses not subject to the expenses limits: election expenses specifically excluded from the election expenses limits (e.g. nomination deposits and audit fees). This type of expense is described in section 203 of the *Election Act*.

Other expenses: the value of goods and services used outside the campaign period but in relation to the election.

Transfers given: non-reciprocal provision of money, goods or services to a registered political party or registered constituency association.

Election advertising sponsors

The following definitions are relevant to election advertising sponsors:

Election advertising: the transmission, by any means, of an advertising message to the public that:

- is transmitted during the period that begins 60 days before a campaign period and ends at the close of general voting for the election, and
- promotes or opposes, directly or indirectly, a registered political party or the election of a candidate. This includes taking a position on an issue with which a candidate or registered political party is associated.

Election advertising does not include documents sent directly by a person or group to their members, employees or shareholders, or the transmission by an individual, on a non-commercial basis on the internet, or by telephone or text messaging, of their personal political views.

Contributions: money provided to a sponsor of election advertising during the period beginning six months before an election is called and ending on General Voting Day.

Amount of sponsor's assets used: the value of the sponsor's assets used to pay for election advertising. This amount does not include contributions referred to above.

Value of election advertising: the market value of preparing and conducting election advertising.

All election advertising sponsors must be registered. Under section 244 of the *Election Act*, an election advertising sponsor is not required to file a disclosure report if, during the campaign period, the advertising sponsored did not have a total value of \$500 or more.

The summaries of disclosure reports for election advertising sponsors who sponsored election advertising with a total value of \$500 or more are included in this report.

The following election advertising sponsors indicated that they did not sponsor election advertising with a value of \$500 or more during the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election:

- Association of CSIL Employers
- B.C. Road Builders & Heavy Construction Association
- BC Citizens for Public Power
- BC Ferry & Marine Workers' Union
- Boundary District Teachers' Association
- Burnaby Teachers' Association
- Burns Bog Conservation Society
- Camosun College Students' Society
- Canadian Office & Professional Employees Union, Local 378
- Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 15 Vancouver Municipal, Education and Community Workers
- Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 606 (Mid Island School Employees)
- Citywide Housing Coalition
- Coalition for B.C. Referendum
- Desmogblog Society of BC
- ECIAD Students' Union Association

- Hospital Employees' Union
- International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 230
- Kamloops Health Coalition
- Malaspina Students' Union Society
- Mid-Island Health Coalition
- Persons with AIDS Society of British Columbia
- Professional Arts Alliance of Greater Victoria
- Terrace District Teachers' Association
- Vancouver Elementary School Teachers' Association
- Vancouver Secondary Teachers' Association
- Susan Curry

Other than the election advertising sponsors listed above and those whose reports are summarized in the following tables, the remaining election advertising sponsors registered with Elections BC did not file disclosure reports. As they were registered prior to 2011 and no election advertising has come to our attention, Elections BC has assumed that they did not sponsor election advertising with a value of \$500 or more. A full listing of all registered election advertising sponsors is available on the Elections BC website.

Filing deadlines

All election financing reports for the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election were due on August 9, 2011. The following candidate filed her election financing report after the deadline established by the *Election Act*:

Danielle Alie

Candidates	Danielle Alie	Christy Clark	David Eby	William Gibbens	Eddie Petrossian	Françoise Raunet
	FP	LIB	NDP	IND	IND	GP
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Inflows						
Political contributions						
Individuals	9,430	270	-	-	-	59
Corporations	25,280	1,140	-	-	-	-
Unincorporated businesses/commercial organizations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trade unions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-profit organizations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other identifiable contributors	16	-	-	-	-	-
Anonymous contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total political contributions	34,726	1,410	-	-	=	59
Transfers received	280	96,788	77,884	-	-	250
Fundraising income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income	-	250	251	-	-	-
Loans received	-	-	500	-	-	-
Total inflows	35,006	98,448	78,635	-	-	309
Outflows						
Election expenses subject to expenses limits	26,249	64,185	59,617	138	321	309
Election expenses not subject to expenses limit	8,757	250	2,898	250	-	-
Other expenses	-	10,682	3,400	-	-	-
Transfers given	-	23,331	16,000	-	-	-
Total outflows	35,006	98,448	81,915	388	321	309

Registered political parties	BC First	BC Liberal Party	BC NDP	Green Party of BC
	FP	LIB	NDP	GP
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Inflows				
Political contributions				
Individuals	5,180	1,283,225	1,116,511	48,984
Corporations	220	791,760	50,000	3,690
Unincorporated businesses/commercial organizations	-	49,320	-	-
Trade unions	-	1,100	251,200	-
Non-profit organizations	-	-	-	-
Other identifiable contributors	-	81,885	-	-
Anonymous contributions	-	1,380	2,017	216
Total political contributions	5,400	2,208,670	1,419,728	52,890
Transfers received	-	175,000	160,632	-
Fundraising income	375	146,561	47,538	2,189
Other income	-	-	108,296	180
Loans received	-	5,000,000	2,280,000	-
Total inflows	5,775	7,530,231	4,016,194	55,259
Outflows				
Election expenses subject to expenses limits	-	49,596	18,604	4,169
Election expenses not subject to expenses limit	-	80,666	1,914	9,820
Other expenses	2,919	331,932	31,007	-
Transfers given	280	106,788	419,913	250
Total outflows	3,199	568,982	471,438	14,239

Registered constituency association	BC NDP
	\$
Inflows	
Political contributions	
Individuals	-
Corporations	-
Unincorporated businesses/commercial organizations	-
Trade unions	-
Non-profit organizations	-
Other identifiable contributors	-
Anonymous contributions	-
Total political contributions	-
Transfers received	15,234
Fundraising income	-
Loans received	-
Total inflows	15,234
Transfers given	17,500

Registered election advertising sponsor	British Columbia Teachers Federation
	\$
Inflows	
Contributions	
Individuals	-
Corporations	-
Unincorporated businesses/commercial organizations	-
Trade unions	-
Non-profit organizations	-
Other identifiable contributors	-
Anonymous contributions	-
Total contributions	-
Amount of sponsor`s own assets used	750
Total inflows	750
Total value of election advertising sponsored	750

Elections BC expenses

Vancouver-Point Grey by-election expenses

The following expenses were incurred by Elections BC in administering the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election:

Central office expenses

Expense categories	Combined totals for fiscal years 2010/2011 and 2011/2012
Salaries	\$ 8,938
Professional services	2,563
Travel	8,118
Information systems	73,180
General office expenses	14,767
Voter notice postage/printing	29,847
Advertising and publications	81,676
Total	\$ 219,089

District electoral office expenses

Expense categories	Combined totals for fiscal years 2010/2011 and 2011/2012
District Electoral Officer salary and benefits	\$ 22,402
Deputy District Electoral Officer salary and benefits	16,822
Election official fees	171,468
Support staff salaries	22,733
Travel	125
General office expenses	8,451
Ballot printing	6,851
Voting place rental	13,725
Office rental	16,500
Total	\$ 279,077
Total election expenses	\$ 498,166
Number of registered voters on General Voting Day	40,959
Cost per registered voter	\$ 12.16

Appendices

Appendix A: Orders of the Chief Electoral Officer

Section 280 of the *Election Act* establishes the authority of the Chief Electoral Officer to make specific or general Orders under certain circumstances. One Order was made by the Assistant Chief Electoral Officer (Electoral Operations) relating to the Vancouver-Point Grey by-election. The Order is summarized below.

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May 11, 2011

A voter in Vancouver-Point Grey applied for a voting package under s. 106 of the *Election Act* using the online application form available from the Elections BC website, but as the result of a technical issue, the voting package was not sent to the voter until May 11, 2011. The voter was unable to deliver the voting package to the Vancouver-Point Grey district electoral office by the close of voting. The voter was permitted to return the voting package provided that it was post-marked by the close of voting for the by-election and was received by the District Electoral Officer prior to final count. The voting package would be accepted by the District Electoral Officer as if it had been received by the deadline.

Appendix B: Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district map



Appendix C: Participation statistics in comparison

The following table is a comparison of voter participation in the Vancouver-Point Grey electoral district in the 2011 by-election and the 2009 Provincial General Election expressed as a percentage of registered voters.

Vancouver-Point Grey	Date	Voter turnout
2011 By-election	May 11, 2011	38.94%
2009 Provincial General Election	May 12, 2009	55.98%

The following table is a comparison of voter participation in provincial by-elections since 1996 expressed as a percentage of registered voters.

Electoral District	Date	Voter turnout
Vancouver-Point Grey	May 11, 2011	39.80%
Vancouver-Burrard	October 29, 2008	23.21%
Vancouver-Fairview	October 29, 2008	26.93%
Surrey-Panorama Ridge	October 28, 2004	52.15%
Delta South	December 7, 1999	59.78%
Parksville-Qualicum	December 14, 1998	60.09%
Surrey-White Rock	September 15, 1997	48.40%

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