



Hamlet of Ulukhaktok

Council Resolution

Resolution No.: #2026-01-09-01

Date: January 9, 2026

TITLE:

Review and Changes to the Nunakput Electoral Boundary – Creation of a New Electoral District for Ulukhaktok, Paulatuk, and Sachs Harbour

WHEREAS, the Northwest Territories is comprised of diverse and geographically distinct communities, each with unique social, economic, cultural, and governance needs;

AND WHEREAS, the communities of Ulukhaktok, Paulatuk, and Sachs Harbour are remote Inuvialuit communities with shared challenges related to isolation, limited transportation access, climate impacts, cost of living, and service delivery;

AND WHEREAS, the current Nunakput Electoral District includes communities with significantly different geographic access and infrastructure conditions, including Tuktoyaktuk, which is connected to the all-weather road system and faces distinct development pressures.

AND WHEREAS, the size, distance, and logistical challenges within the existing Nunakput Electoral District make it difficult to ensure equitable representation, effective constituency services, and meaningful engagement across all communities;

AND WHEREAS, improved and more focused legislative representation would enhance advocacy, responsiveness, and policy attention to the specific needs and priorities of Ulukhaktok, Paulatuk, and Sachs Harbour;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hamlet of Ulukhaktok formally supports a review of the Nunakput Electoral Boundary with the intent of establishing a new electoral district comprised of Ulukhaktok, Paulatuk, and Sachs Harbour;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hamlet of Ulukhaktok supports the creation of a new Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) position to represent these three communities, ensuring fair, effective, and equitable representation;


AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hamlet of Ulukhaktok requests that the Government of the Northwest Territories, the Electoral Boundaries Commission, and Elections NWT consider this request as part of any current or future electoral boundary review;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hamlet of Ulukhaktok directs Administration to communicate this resolution to:

- The Commissioner of the Northwest Territories
- Elections NWT
- The Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories
- The Northwest Territories Association of Communities (NWTAC)
- The Hamlets of Paulatuk and Sachs Harbour

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