

OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES

INUVIK, NT (December 18, 2025) - The Nomination Period for the 2026 IRC Chairperson Election (Election) opened on December 8, 2025 at 8:00am and closed at 4:00pm on Wednesday, December 17, 2025.

The following individuals have met the eligibility criteria under the Rules for the Election of the IRC Chairperson approved by the IRC Board of Directors and will stand as candidates in the Election:

Candidates

Name	Community Corporation
Erwin Elias	Tuktoyaktuk
Lucy Kuptana	Tuktoyaktuk
Hans Lennie	Inuvik
Lawrence Ruben	Paulatuk
Duane Smith	Inuvik
Brian Wade	Inuvik
Kurt Wainman	Inuvik

The election of the IRC Chairperson will be held at the Midnight Sun Complex on **Tuesday, January 20, 2026**. The duly elected directors of the Inuvialuit Community Corporations are each eligible to cast a vote in this election.

The IRC Chairperson is elected for a four-year term.

Email election@inuvialuit.com for more information.