

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

General Issues Committee: March 20, 2020

MOVED BY MAYOR F. EISENBERGER.....

To Amend Section 9 of the Procedural By-Law 18-270 to Allow for Electronic Participation

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus has made it necessary for Council to amend Section 9 of the Procedural By-law, respecting Electronic Participation at Council and/or Committee Meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible, to permit the electronic participation of members of Council at Council and/or Committee meetings;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the By-law to Amend By-law No. 18-270, the By-Law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees of Council in the form attached hereto as Appendix "A", be enacted;
- (b) That the City Clerk be delegated the authority to establish procedures and take all steps necessary to facilitate electronic participation by members of Council in Council and/or Committee meetings held in the Council Chamber; and,
- (c) That staff be directed to install the necessary technology in the Council Chambers in order for members of Council to participate electronically at Council and/or Committee meetings held in the Council Chamber to be funded from Dept. ID 300100.

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Bill No.

**CITY OF HAMILTON
BY-LAW NO. 20-_____**

To Amend By-law No. 18-270, the Council Procedural By-law

WHEREAS Council enacted a Council Procedural By-law being City of Hamilton By-law No. 18-270;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 18-270 to allow for electronic participation pursuant to s. 238(3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and/or any other applicable legislation.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That By-law No. 18-270, be amended:

(i) to add Section 9.2, as follows:

9.2 Electronic Participation During an Emergency

(1) Electronic participation, in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001* and/or any other applicable legislation, is permitted by members of Council at Council and/or Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible.

PASSED this 20th day of March, 2020.

F. Eisenberger
Mayor

A. Holland
City Clerk