

CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Council: July 17, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. JACKSON.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Waive the Notice Provision for Amendments to the Procedural By-law

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 18-270, as amended, further to update sections of By-law 18-270, as amended, which apply to Electronic participation by citizen Committee members at electronic Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the Advisory Committee for Immigrants and Refugees, Committee Against Racism, Hamilton Aboriginal Advisory Committee, Hamilton Status of Women Committee, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Advisory Committee, Mundialization Committee, Food Advisory Committee, Hamilton Veterans Committee, Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee, Seniors Advisory Committee, Arts Advisory Committee, Hamilton Cycling Committee, Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee, Hamilton Future Fund, Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee, Cleanliness & Security in the Downtown Core, Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities and Waste Management Advisory Committee in a manner that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings in accordance with applicable legislation;

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 18-270, as amended, further to provide for updated sections of the By-law 18-270, as amended, when members of the public are participating at ELECTRONIC Council and/or Committee meetings during an emergency when attending in-person is not possible with respect to the General Issues Committee, Public Works Committee, Audit, Finance and Administration Committee Board of Health and Emergency and Community Services Committee in a manner that is consistent with the obligation to hold public meetings in accordance with applicable legislation;

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 18-270, as amended, further to provide for updated sections of the By-law 18-270, as amended, to amend the membership of the Planning Committee;

WHEREAS, By-law 07-351, a By-Law to Adopt and Maintain a Policy with Respect to the Provision of Public Notice, requires that public notice is required to advise of a Committee meeting to consider the enactment of a procedure bylaw in the form of one notice published in a newspaper a minimum of 14 days prior to the Committee meeting; and

WHEREAS, By-law 07-351, a By-Law to Adopt and Maintain a Policy with Respect to the Provision of Public Notice also notes that Council may direct that other notice is to be given as Council considers adequate and when the City Manager determines that an emergency situation exists;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Council waive the notice provision within By-law 07-351, a By-Law to Adopt and Maintain a Policy with Respect to the Provision of Public Notice in order for amendments to be made to the Procedural By-law effective immediately.