

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Council: January 25, 2023

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....

SECONDED BY MAYOR A. HORWATH.....

### Amendment to the By-law 21-021, A By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees of Council

WHEREAS, current Council and Committee meetings have been excessive in length; and

WHEREAS, the *Employment Standards Act* stipulates the City's legal obligations with respect to City staff's basic entitlements;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That By-law No. 21-021, be ***amended***, by including the following subsections:

#### 3.2 Regular Council Meeting Times

- (4) ***A meeting of Council shall adjourn after being in session for eight (8) hours;***
- (5) ***A meeting of Council will recess for 30 minutes within the first five (5) hours of a meeting, in accordance with the Employment Standards Act;***
- (6) ***Notwithstanding subsection 3.2(4), Council may extend the meeting for a specified period of time, with majority of the Members of Council present and voting in the affirmative.***

#### 5.6 Standing Committee Meeting Times

- (4) ***A meeting of Committee shall adjourn after being in session for eight (8) hours;***
- (5) ***A meeting of Committee will recess for 30 minutes within the first five (5) hours of a meeting, in accordance with the Employment Standards Act;***

- (6) *Notwithstanding subsection 5.6(4), Committee may extend the meeting for a specified period of time, with a majority of the Members of Committee present and voting in the affirmative.***