



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRAMPTON

BY-LAW

Number 67 - 2020

A By-law to amend Procedure By-law 160-2004 to permit application of Electronic Meetings during a period of Emergency to include Council-established committees

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, section 238 provides that a municipality shall establish a procedure by-law to govern meetings;

AND WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Brampton has enacted Procedure By-law 160-2004, as amended;

AND WHEREAS on March 19, 2020 the Province of Ontario enacted the *Municipal Emergency Act, 2020* to amend the *Municipal Act, 2001*, to enact section 238 (3.3) and 238 (3.4) to permit meetings to be held electronically during an emergency declared pursuant to the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter E. 9;

AND WHEREAS the World Health Organization has declared a worldwide pandemic regarding the Novel Coronavirus 19 (COVID-19);

AND WHEREAS on March 17, 2020 a Declaration of Emergency was made by the Province of Ontario pursuant to section 7.0.1 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* related to COVID-19;

AND WHEREAS on March 24, 2020 a Declaration of Emergency was made by the Brampton Head of Council pursuant to section 4.0 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* related to COVID-19;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has enacted emergency legislation pursuant to the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, prohibiting all organized public events and social gatherings of over five people due to COVID-19;

AND WHEREAS The Council of the Corporation of the City of Brampton considers the protection of the health and safety of the public to be a paramount concern, and has suspended the operations of all City facilities and services, other than those deemed essential for the welfare of the citizens of Brampton during the COVID-19 emergency;

AND WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Brampton considers it desirable to be able to hold Council and committee meetings electronically during the COVID-19 emergency, as may be appropriate;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brampton **ENACTS** as follows:

1. That Procedure By-law 160-2004, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

a) Deleting and replacing Section 22.2 with the following:

22.2 Electronic Meetings – A regular meeting or special meeting of Council may be conducted by Electronic Meeting during an Emergency, in accordance with this Section and any Emergency Electronic Meeting Protocol as may be approved by Council, and a committee meeting may be conducted by Electronic Meeting in accordance with any Council approved Emergency Electronic Meeting Protocol as may be adapted by the specific committee, provided such committee meeting is deemed necessary by the CAO, responsible Department Head and City Clerk, in consultation with the Committee Chair(s).

b) Deleting and replacing Section 22.6 with the following:


22.6 Delegations – An Electronic Meeting may include in-person or electronic public delegations where practical, and where impractical only by way of electronic submission received in advance of the meeting, which shall be submitted to the City Clerk's Office at cityclerksoffice@brampton.ca prior to the start of the Electronic Meeting, and shall be provided to Members at the meeting.

2. This By-law is enacted accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, and Procedure By-law 160-2004, as amended, and shall hereby come into effect as of the date and time of its passing.

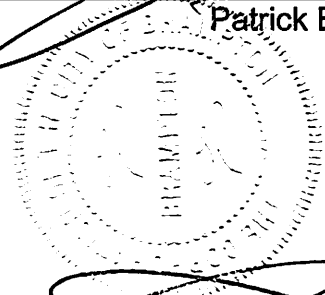
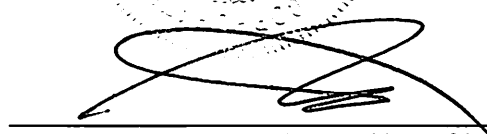
ENACTED and PASSED this 22nd day of April, 2020.

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