
Status of Report – Redraft of Meeting Procedures Bylaw**Report Purpose**

To seek approval on an extension for the redrafting of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw.

Recommendation

THAT the new proposed Meeting Procedures Bylaw be brought back to Council on the revised date of Q4 2020.

Original Due Date: Q1 of 2020

Revised Due Date: Q4 of 2020

Council and Committee History

December 11, 2018	Council approved "THAT Administration, in consultation with the Governance Advisory Committee, undertake a comprehensive review and update of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw; and that a new proposed Meeting Procedures Bylaw be presented to Council for consideration by the first quarter of 2020."
September 18, 2019	Governance Advisory Committee received a presentation on draft sections of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw.
November 5, 2019	Governance Advisory Committee received a presentation on draft sections of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw.
January 22, 2020	Governance Advisory Committee received a presentation on draft sections of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw.

Rationale

The redraft of the Meeting Procedures Bylaw has been proceeding but progress has been slower than originally anticipated. Some of the delay relates to recent changes to the Municipal Government Act introduced by Bill 25 in late 2019. Time was also required to consider and respond to the implications of recent court decisions as they related to public hearing procedures. Finally, Administration is also consulting with other municipalities that are undertaking similar projects. Finally, the cancellation of meetings and response to covid-19 also contributed to delays on this project. Administration continues to work with the Governance Advisory Committee on this project as directed. To date, the Committee has seen several redrafted sections of the new bylaw and has provided input on various matters (public hearings, notice of motions, information requests, handling of meetings, etc.). Administration is planning a fulsome update for the Priorities Committee in April 2020. The proposed extension should provide adequate time for this project.