

The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne

By-law No. 6767/17/20

Being a By-law to Amend By-law No. 6250/76/15, Being a By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committee Meetings

Whereas the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne enacted By-law 6250/76/15, Being A By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committee Meetings, on June 22, 2015; and

Whereas By-law 6250/76/15 has been amended from time to time; and

Whereas at its meeting of March 23, 2020, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne (Council) approved the recommendations of Corporate Services Department, Clerk's Division Report 2020-50, Subject: Emergency COVID-19 Preparedness; and

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne enacts as follows:

1. That Section 1 of By-law 6250/76/15, be amended by adding the following definition:

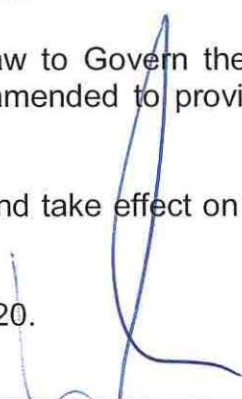
“**Electronic Participation**” means a Council member who participates in a Committee of the Whole or Council meeting remotely via electronic means in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended.”

2. That By-law No. 6250/75/15, be further amended by adding the following subsections under section 7:

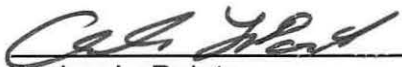
“7.4 Electronic Participation

- (a) Shall be permitted only in circumstances deemed extraordinary by the Clerk;
 - (b) Shall only be permitted at Committee of the Whole meetings and any special, emergency or regular Council meetings;
 - (c) In order to Chair a meeting, a Member of Council shall be present in person at the meeting;
 - (d) The member of Council who wishes to participate in a meeting electronically shall provide the Clerk a minimum of 24 hours' notice in advance;
 - (e) Shall count towards quorum when permitted through Section 238 (3.3) of the Municipal Act”
3. That By-law 6250/76/15, Being A By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committee Meetings, be amended to provide for electronic participation.
 4. That this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the day that it is passed by Council.

Enacted and passed this 23rd day of March, 2020.



William C. Steele
Mayor



Amber LaPointe
City Clerk