

Excerpt from Council Procedure Bylaw No. 3602

Electronic meetings [BL3850]

- 7 (1) Council is hereby authorized to conduct its regular council meetings by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (2) A regular council meeting may only be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities where Council has, at least 72 hours in advance of the regular council meeting, passed a resolution directing that the regular council meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (3) Where Council has directed that a regular council meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, the regular council meeting must be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, and notice must be given to the public that the regular council meeting is to be held by means of electronic or other communication facilities by posting the notice on the public notice posting places at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (3), the notice must satisfy the requirements of section 128(2)(b)(i) of the *Community Charter*.
- (5) Council is hereby authorized to conduct its special council meetings by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (6) A special council meeting may only be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities where either the Mayor ~~has directed that the special council meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities or by resolution of Council, by resolution,~~ has directed that the ~~next regular~~special council meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (7) Where the Mayor or Council has directed that a special council meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, ~~or Council has directed that the next regular council meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities,~~ the special council meeting must be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, and notice must be given in accordance with sections 127 and 128.1(2)(b) of the *Community Charter*.
- (7.1) Committee of the whole is hereby authorized to conduct its regular and special committee of the whole meetings by means of electronic or other communication facilities. [BL3888]
- (7.2) A regular committee of the whole meeting may only be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities where Council or the Committee of the Whole has, at least 72 hours in advance of the regular committee of the whole meeting, passed a resolution directing that the regular committee of the whole meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities. [BL3888]
- (7.3) A special committee of the whole meeting may only be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities where either the Mayor ~~has directed that the special committee of the whole meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities or~~ the Committee of the Whole has directed that the ~~next regular~~special committee of the whole meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities. [BL3888]

- (7.4) Where the Committee of the Whole has directed that a regular committee of the whole meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, the regular committee of the whole meeting must be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, and notice must be given to the public that the regular committee of the whole meeting is to be held by means of electronic or other communication facilities by posting the notice on the public notice posting places at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. [BL3888]
- (7.5) Where the Mayor or the Committee of the Whole has directed that a special committee of the whole meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, the special committee of the whole meeting must be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, and notice must be given to the public that the special committee of the whole meeting is to be held by means of electronic or other communication facilities by posting the notice on the public notice posting places at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, except where notice is waived by a unanimous vote of all Committee of the Whole members. [BL3888]
- (8) A committee is hereby authorized to conduct its meetings by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (9) A committee meeting may only be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities where Council or the committee has, at least 72 hours in advance of the committee meeting, passed a resolution directing that the committee meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (10) Where the Council or a committee has directed that a committee meeting be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, the committee meeting must be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities, and notice must be given to the public that the committee meeting is to be held by means of electronic or other communication facilities by posting the notice on the public notice posting places at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.
- (11) For the purposes of subsection (10), the notice must set out the way in which the committee meeting is to be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (12) A member of Council who is unable to attend at a council meeting or committee of the whole meeting may, upon authorization of the presiding member, participate in the meeting by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- (13) Subsection 12 does not apply if
- (a) the meeting is an inaugural meeting of Council, or
 - (b) the member is the presiding member.
- (14) A member of Council may participate electronically in more than 3 consecutive meetings of Council with the approval of Council.