



MEMBER MOTION

Section 5.4.4(b) of Procedure By-law

Meeting:	Council
Meeting Date:	January 22, 2020
Subject/Title:	Regional Consolidation of Fire Services
Submitted by:	Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Whereas Fire Services is an essential service for the protection of people and property in Richmond Hill; and

Whereas Fire Services are provided by all municipalities; and

Whereas fire suppression should be planned without regard for municipal boundaries to determine the optimal location of stations for public safety; and

Whereas fire suppression is currently planned based on municipal boundaries; and

Whereas the majority of response calls made by Fire Services are medical-based calls; and

Whereas Police and Emergency Medical Services are already consolidated and delivered by York Region; and

Whereas effective and efficient service may be better planned and delivered by consolidating Fire Services at the Regional level together with other first response services; and

Whereas administrative efficiencies may be gained on non-suppression fire activities such as training, education, dispatch, vehicle maintenance and inspections; and

Whereas York Regional Chair Wayne Emmerson supports Regional consolidation of Fire Services;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

- i) That York Region be requested to upload fire services for the purpose of consolidating Fire Services at the regional level;
- ii) That said action involve all York Region municipalities; and
- iii) That this resolution be forwarded to York Region and the other York Region local municipalities for support.

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Seconded by: Councillor Beros