

The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-Law 23-21

A By-Law to Repeal and Replace Article 12 of By-law 74-12, as amended

Whereas section 238(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (the "Act"), states that a municipality and local board shall pass a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings;

And Whereas Council of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill ("Council") has enacted By-law 74-12, as amended, being a By-law to Govern the Proceedings of Council of the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill, as amended (the "Procedure By-law")

And Whereas Council, as a result of amendments to the Act due to the COVID-19 pandemic, did pass By-law 40-20 on March 25, 2020, to enact Article 12 of the Procedure By-law - Electronic Meeting Procedures during an Emergency ("Article 12");

And Whereas Council, as a result of further amendments to the Act, did pass By-law 102-20 on July 23, 2020 to repeal and replace Article 12.

And Whereas Council did on March 24, 2021 adopted the recommendations in Staff Report SRCFS.21.014, requiring further amendments to Article 12 to provide for Hybrid in-person and electronic meetings;

And Whereas Council did on April 28, 2020 adopt the recommendations in Staff Report SRCFS.21.023, requiring further additional amendments to Article 12 to ensure compliance with the open meeting rules in Section 239 of the Act.

Now Therefore The Council Of The Corporation Of The City Of Richmond Hill Enacts As Follows:

1. That Article 12 of By-law 74-12, as amended, be repealed and replaced in its' entirety with the new Article 12 attached as Schedule 1 to this By-law.
2. That Schedule 1 be and form part of this By-Law.
3. This bylaw shall come into force and take effect on April 29, 2021.

Passed this 28th day of April, 2021.

Joe DiPaola
Acting Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke
City Clerk