

# **The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill**

## **By-Law 75-21**

A By-Law to authorize the use of alternative voting methods, namely internet voting (also known as online voting), for municipal and school board elections and by-elections

Whereas clause 42(1)(b) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, S.O. 1996, c.32, as amended (the “Act”), permits Council of a local municipality to pass by-laws authorizing eligible voters to use an alternative voting method, such as voting by mail or by telephone, that does not require electors to attend at a voting place in order to vote;

And Whereas Council at its meeting on June 9, 2021 adopted the recommendations in Staff Report SRCFS.21.025, authorizing the use of Internet Voting as an alternative voting method for municipal and school board elections and by-elections held in the City of Richmond Hill pursuant to the Act.

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

1. That, pursuant to clause 42(1)(b) of the Act, Council authorizes the use of internet voting, also known as online voting, as an alternative voting method for all municipal and school board elections and by-elections held in the City of Richmond Hill pursuant to the Act, provided that it shall not be the only voting method made available by the Clerk to eligible voters unless specifically authorized to do so by a resolution of Council.

Passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021.

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Joe DiPaola  
Acting Mayor

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Stephen M.A. Huycke  
City Clerk