

The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-Law 133-21

A By-Law to authorize the use of alternative voting methods, namely internet voting (also known as online voting), for the By-election being held in the City of Richmond Hill to fill the vacancy in the Office of Mayor

Whereas Council at its meeting on June 9, 2021 passed By-law 74-21 authorizing the use of optical scan tabulators and paper ballots for all municipal elections and By-elections held in the City of Richmond Hill; and

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 Special Council meeting on September 29, 2021, considered Staff Report SRCFS.21.055 and directed that a By-law requiring a By-election to fill the vacancy in the Office of Mayor be placed on the October 13, 2021 Council agenda for consideration and enactment; and

Whereas Council at its Special Council meeting on September 29, 2021, also directed that a By-law authorizing Internet Voting (also known as online voting) as an additional voting method for the By-election being held to fill the vacancy in the Office of Mayor.

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 *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, S.O. 1996, c.32, as amended, Council authorizes the use of Internet Voting, also known as online voting, as an additional voting method for the By-election being held in the City of Richmond Hill to fill the vacancy in the Office of Mayor.

Passed this 13th day of October, 2021.

Joe DiPaola
Acting Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke
City Clerk