



Member Motion

Section 5.4.4(b) of Procedure By-law

Meeting: Council

Meeting Date: January 29, 2018

Subject/Title: Ballot Question in 2018 Municipal Election

Submitted by: Councillor Chan

WHEREAS Richmond Hill changed its name from the Village of Richmond Hill to the Town of Richmond Hill in 1957;

WHEREAS the Town of Richmond Hill has grown substantially to a *New Kind of Urban* with a population of over 210,000 people at this time;

WHEREAS Council has considered member's motion to name the Town of Richmond Hill to the City of Richmond Hill on June 27, 2016 that had failed to carry;

WHEREAS it has been the practice of Council as a good government to consult with the public on issues impacting the Town of Richmond Hill;

WHEREAS questions on municipal interests may be placed on ballots to receive the views of the public during the municipal election to be held on October 22, 2018;

AND

WHEREAS questions on ballots in the municipal election shall only be binding upon receiving support from 50% plus one among the voters in the municipal election;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That Council consider placing the following question on the ballot at the municipal election on October 22, 2018:

Are you in favour of naming the municipality as the City of Richmond Hill?
and

That the Town Clerk be directed to schedule a Special Council meeting on or prior to February 26, 2018, to permit the public to comment on the proposed question on the ballot as required by the *Municipal Elections Act*, and

That the Town Clerk be directed to provide notice of intent to adopt a By-law authorizing the question on the ballot at least 10 days prior to the Council meeting in February 26, 2018, and report back to Council Meeting with necessary By-law for enactment on February 26, 2018.

Moved by: Councillor Chan

Seconded by: Councillor Muench
