The Corporation of the City Of Quinte West By-Law Number 20-072

Being A By-law To Amend By-law 19-029, Being A By-Law To Govern The Calling, Place And Proceedings Of Meetings Of The Council Of The Corporation Of The City Of Quinte West.

Whereas Section 238(2) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that every council and local board shall adopt a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings;

And Whereas Section 8 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25, provides that a council may pass by-laws for governing their affairs as they consider appropriate;

And Whereas Section 238 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25, has been amended to permit, subject to the applicable procedure by-law providing, electronic participation at meetings of Council, local boards or Committees;

And Whereas Section 238 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25, has been further amended to convey that a member participating electronically in a meeting may be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of members is present at any point in time and that a member can participate electronically in a meeting that is open or closed to the public;

And Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the City of Quinte West deems it expedient to pass a by-law for this purpose.

Now Therefore Be It Enacted By the Council For The Corporation Of The City Of Quinte West As Follows:

- 1. This By-law shall be entitled the "Procedural By-law Amendment No. 02".
- 2. That Section 4 Council Meetings of By-law 19-029 be amended by adding the following:
 - (i) Electronic Participation
 - (i) A member of Council, local board or Committee may participate electronically in a meeting and will be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of members is present at any point in time.
 - (ii) A member of Council, local board or Committee can participate electronically in a meeting that is either open or closed to the public.
 - (iii) A member of Council, local board or Committee participating in a meeting electronically shall be permitted to vote at such meeting.
 - (iv) For the purposes of this section, a local board does not include a Police Services Board or Public Library Board in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001.
- 3. That By-law 20-030 is hereby repealed.
- 4. This By-law shall take effect the final date of passing.

Read a First, Second And A Third Time and Finally Passed This 10th Day Of August, 2020.

Jim Harrison, Mayor

Kevin Heath, City Clerk