

Compliance Audit Committee Decision

Meeting Date: Thursday, June 6, 2019 **Meeting Time:** 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Committee Room 242/243, Vaughan City Hall

Item No. 2 **Report Name:** Clerks' Report on Contributions to Candidates – Paul Federico

IN THE MATTER OF the City of Vaughan Clerk's Report dated May 13, 2019 – Clerk's Report on Contributions to Candidates – Paul Federico;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 88.34(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended, (the *Act*), the Clerk shall review the contributions reported on the financial statements submitted by a candidate under Section 88.25 to determine whether any contributor appears to have exceeded any of the contribution limits under Section 88.9;

WHEREAS, Section 88.9 of the *Act*, states that a contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$1,200 to any one candidate in an election;

WHEREAS, Section 88.9 of the *Act*, states that a contributor shall not make contributions exceeding a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office on the same council;

WHEREAS, Section 88.34(2) of the *Act* requires the Clerk to prepare a report identifying each contributor to a candidate for office on a council who appears to have contravened any of the contribution limits under Section 88.9;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 88.34(8) of the *Act* states that within 30 days after receiving a report under subsection (4) or (7), the Compliance Audit Committee shall consider it and decide whether to commence a legal proceeding against a contributor for an apparent contravention;

WHEREAS, a meeting of the Compliance Audit Committee was held on **Thursday, June 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Vaughan City Hall** to review the reports of the City Clerk;

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THEREFORE, the decision of the Compliance Audit Committee is as follows:

THAT the City of Vaughan Compliance Audit Committee **moves not to commence** legal proceedings against Paul Federico, for an apparent contravention of the contribution limits set out in Section 88.9 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.

The Committee has made this decision for the reasons below.

Mr. Gino Rosati's agent, Mr. David Corazza, attended the meeting and submitted to the Committee copies of two cheques drawn on the joint bank account of Mrs. Marianna Federico and Mr. Paul A. Federico, both payable to Gino Rosati Campaign 2018. Cheque 202, dated June 7, 2018, in the amount of \$1,200, appears to be signed by "Paul Federico". Cheque 203, dated June 7, 2018, in the amount of \$1,200, appears to be signed by "M. Federico". The handwriting on these cheques, including the signatures, appear to be made by two different people. Therefore, there appears to have been no contravention of the \$1,200 contribution limit set out in subsection 88.9(2) of the *Act*.



Ron Colucci
Compliance Audit Committee Member



Mark Gannage
Compliance Audit Committee Member



Kelly Gravelle
Compliance Audit Committee Member