

# ***THE CITY OF VAUGHAN***

# ***BY-LAW***

## **BY-LAW NUMBER 166-2017**

**A By-law to amend By-law 7-2011 (Procedure By-law) which governs the proceedings of Council and Committees of Council.**

**WHEREAS** Section 238(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, as amended*, requires every municipality and local board to pass a procedure by-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings;

**AND WHEREAS** it is necessary to make certain amendments to By-law 7-2011 (Procedure By-law) to bring it into compliance with the *Municipal Act, 2001, as amended*;

**AND WHEREAS** it is necessary to make certain amendments to By-law 7-2011 (Procedure By-law) to implement Council's approval of the reading of an aboriginal territorial acknowledgement;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That City of Vaughan By-law Number 7-2011, is hereby amended as follows:

a) The following definition be added to Section 1.5 INTERPRETATIONS AND DEFINITIONS:

“MEETING – Any regular, special or other meeting of a Council, of a local board, or of a committee of either of them, where:

1. A quorum of Members is present; and,
2. Members discuss or otherwise deal with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the Council, local board or committee.”

b) That Section 2.1(4)(a) Closed Meetings be deleted and replaced with the following:

"a) Notwithstanding Section 2.1(3), a meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to those subject matters identified in Sections 239(2), (2.1) and (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.”

c) That Section 6.3 PREPARATION OF AGENDA be amended by adding the following:

“The aboriginal territorial acknowledgement shall be read prior to the commencement of

every regular meeting.”

2. This by-law shall come into effect on January 1, 2018.

Enacted by City of Vaughan Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

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Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor

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Barbara A. McEwan, City Clerk