

**CITY OF VAUGHAN**  
**REPORT NO. 22 OF THE**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
**(WORKING SESSION)**

*For consideration by the Council  
of the City of Vaughan  
on May 19, 2015*

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The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) met at 9:35 a.m., on May 12, 2015.

Present:                   Regional Councillor Gino Rosati, Chair  
                              Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor  
                              Regional Councillor Michael Di Biase  
                              Regional Councillor Mario Ferri  
                              Councillor Tony Carella  
                              Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca  
                              Councillor Marilyn Iafrate  
                              Councillor Alan Shefman  
                              Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

The following items were dealt with:

**1                           YORK REGION MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW  
                              STATUS UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS  
                              IMPLICATIONS FOR THE CITY OF VAUGHAN  
                              FILE #9.6.35**

**The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:**

- 1)       That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated May 12, 2015, be approved; and**
- 2)       That Communication C2, presentation material, entitled “Addressing Growth to 2041”, be received.**

**Recommendation**

1. The Commissioner of Planning in consultation with the Acting Director of Policy Planning recommends that this report and the presentation by York Region be received for information purposes.

**2            CITY OF VAUGHAN ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY FRAMEWORK**

**The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:**

- 1)        That recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 5 contained in the following report of the Interim Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2015, be approved;**

- 2)        That the following additional recommendation be approved:**

**Whereas, a strong accountability and transparency framework contributes to effective governance by ensuring that the City is accountable to the public for its actions, and by clearly defining the manner in which its governance practices will be made transparent to the public;**

**Whereas, in 2011, the position of Director of Internal Audit, reporting directly to Council, was created to further strengthen our governance structure;**

**Whereas, at the first meeting of the 2014-2018 term of Council on December 4, 2014, the Inauguration Speech made it a priority to have the city establish a lobbyist registry;**

**Whereas, Council is committed to good governance and will continue to act in the best interest of our residents;**

**Whereas, the Municipal Act, 2001 (known as Bill 130), which came into effect January 1, 2007, contains provisions to promote greater transparency;**

**Whereas, the forms which lobbyist regulation can take are varied;**

**It is therefore recommended:**

- 1.        That the appropriate Staff bring a report back to a future Committee meeting no later than November 2015 that clearly explores a range of options for the regulation of lobbying activities with the goal of selecting the model best suited for the City of Vaughan; and**
  - 2.        That each option identify the timeframe to successfully implement the lobbyist registry and the resources required; and**
- 3)        That Communication C3, presentation material, entitled “*City of Vaughan Accountability and Transparency Framework*”, be received.**

**Recommendation**

The Interim Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and the City Clerk, in consultation with Legal Counsel, recommend:

- 1.        That the presentation of the City Clerk be received;**
- 2.        That the City’s Accountability and Transparency policy be updated to reflect the current accountability and transparency regime in place at the City of Vaughan;**
- 3.        That a structured complaints and compliments intake system be established in a prominent place on the City’s web site;**
- 4.        That a further report on the establishment of formal lobbying regulation by the City of Vaughan be submitted to Committee of the Whole (Working Session) for discussion; and**

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5. That the City explore with other York Region and/or other large urban municipalities the establishment of a joint municipal ombudsman.

**3** **LEARNING FROM THE ELECTIONS -  
PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2018 MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS**

**The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:**

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the following report of the City Clerk and Returning Officer, dated May 12, 2015, be approved; and
- 2) That Communication C1 from Mr. Kevin Hanit, Queensbridge Drive, Concord, dated May 11, 2015, be received.

**Recommendation**

The City Clerk and Returning Officer recommends:

1. That a competitive bid be issued for vote counting equipment and related technology for the 2018 election with the following to be included as options
  - 1) pricing to include both the 2018 and 2022 elections; and
  - 2) internet voting technologies; and
2. That the Director of Human Resources be directed to develop a plan to provide for the maximization of City staff available to work the 2018 Municipal Elections.

**4** **OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE**

**4.1** **CONSIDERATION OF AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:**

**That the following Ad Hoc Committee reports be received:**

1. **Committee Structure Task Force meeting of March 2, 2015 (Report No. 2);  
and**
2. **Committee Structure Task Force meeting of April 27, 2015 (Report No. 3).**

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The meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Regional Councillor Gino Rosati, Chair