

The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

By-law Number 2020-016

A by-law to amend By-law 064-2017 being a By-law to govern the proceedings of Council and its Committees

Whereas Council passed By-law 064-2017 on the 17th day of July, 2017 to govern the proceedings of Council and its Committees;

And Whereas the Province enacted Bill 187 on the 19th day of March, 2020 to amend the *Municipal Act, 2001* to allow a municipality to amend its procedure by-law to provide for electronic participation, during any period where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality under sections 4 or 7.01 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville hereby enacts as follows:

1. That By-law 064-2017 be amended by adding the following:

"Electronic Participation" includes telephone, video or audio conferencing or other interactive methods.

- 3.8.4 Electronic Participation Emergencies
- 3.8.4.1 Where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the Town of Orangeville under section 4 or 7.01 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* any Council or any Committee meeting may be held through **Electronic Participation**.
- 3.8.4.2 Where a Council or Committee meeting is held through **Electronic Participation**, provisions shall be made with access for and in view of the public for the portion of the proceedings that are open to the public.
- 3.8.4.3 Attendance at a meeting by members of the public shall be in person, unless as a result of an emergency being declared by the Premier, Cabinet or the municipal Head of Council under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, attendance is restricted to protect the health and safety of all individuals. The

Town will make every effort to live stream a Council meeting conducted through **Electronic Participation**.

- 3.8.4.4 The Town, taking into consideration:
 - (a) the health and safety of all individuals; and
 - (b) access to and viewing of the meeting

shall provide operable solutions to facilitate public **Electronic Participation** in a meeting that would otherwise be facilitated in a meeting that was not conducted through **Electronic Participation**.

- 3.8.4.5 Where a Council or Committee meeting is held through **Electronic Participation**, a Member participating through **Electronic Participation** shall be counted towards quorum.
- 3.8.4.6 The Mayor and Clerk shall be present in the Council Chambers or any other identified location as published on the agenda. In the case of a Committee meeting the Chair and Secretary shall be present in the location published on the agenda.
- 3.8.4.7 All other applicable provisions of By-law 064-2017 shall apply to a Council or Committee meetings held through **Electronic Participation**.
- 3.8.4.8 Notwithstanding Section 7.3.4 of By-law 064-2017, the Clerk in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer may add, delete or modify the Agenda item headings and the order of business to facilitate the orderly conduct of a Council meeting through **Electronic Participation**.

Read three times and finally passed by Council this 23rd day of March, 2020.

Sandy Brown, Mayor

Karen Landry, Clerk