

# Committee of the Whole (2) Report

DATE: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 WARD(S): ALL

# <u>TITLE:</u> SPECIAL COUNCIL (CLOSED SESSION) EDUCATION AND TRAINING SESSION – MAY 22, 2024

#### FROM:

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**ACTION:** DECISION

#### Purpose

To pass a resolution to facilitate a Closed Session meeting for the purpose of a Council education and training session.

# Report Highlights

- This report requests that a Closed Session resolution be passed to facilitate a hybrid Council education and training session to be held on May 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.
- The education and training session will be held in a hybrid meeting in the Woodbridge Room (Committee Room 242/243), on the topics noted.

# **Recommendations**

- 1. THAT in accordance with Section 239(4) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, that Council resolve into Closed Session on May 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., for the purpose of an education and training session on the following topics:
  - 1) Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024.
  - 2) Draft Provincial Policy Statement

## **Background**

This report serves as the Closed Session resolution required under section 239(4) of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Education and training on topics that fall within the jurisdiction of municipal councils in Ontario supports Council's ability to conduct its business in a manner which is both pragmatic and effective.

On April 10, 2024, the Province introduced <u>Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024</u> (the 'Act'). The Act proposes changes to 15 statutes, including the Planning Act, Municipal Act and Development Charges Act.

Also on April 10, 2024, the Province released an updated draft of the proposed Provincial Planning Statement.

# **Previous Reports/Authority**

Not applicable.

## **Analysis and Options**

In accordance with section 239(3.1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, a meeting may be closed to the public when it is being conducted for the purpose of education and training of the Members. The Special Council (Closed Session) Education and Training Session is being conducted for Members of Council and will include the following education and training topics:

- 1) Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024
- 2) Draft Provincial Policy Statement

An agenda containing further details will be provided to Members of Council prior to the education and training session.

# **Financial Impact**

There are no financial impacts.

# **Operational Impact**

Not applicable.

# **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

Not applicable.

# **Conclusion**

To continue to build a culture of excellence in governance at the City of Vaughan requires a shared effort between Members of Council and staff. The education and training session will assist Members of Council in enhancing their understanding of the proposed Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act.

For more information, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk, ext. 8281.

# **Attachments**

N/A

# **Prepared by**

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