

## Committee of the Whole (1) Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, May 4, 2021

**WARD(S):** ALL

**TITLE:** SPECIAL COUNCIL (CLOSED SESSION) EDUCATION AND  
TRAINING SESSION – MAY 5, 2021

**FROM:**

Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor

**ACTION:** DECISION

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**Purpose**

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

**Report Highlights**

- This report requests that a Closed Session resolution be passed to facilitate a virtual Council education training session to be held on May 5, 2021 at 1:00 PM.
- The education training session will be held virtually through Microsoft Teams, on the topics noted.

**Recommendations**

1. That Council resolve into Closed Session on May 5, 2021 at 1:00 PM, for the purpose of an education and training session on the following topics:
  - a. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
  - b. Municipal Elections Act

**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 corporations in Ontario supports Council's ability to conduct its business in a manner which is both pragmatic and effective.

### **Previous Reports/Authority**

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### **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 corporate management and will include the following education and training topics:

- a. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- b. Municipal Elections Act

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

### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial impacts.

### **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

There are no regional impacts.

### **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 diversity, equity and inclusion, along with the *Municipal Elections Act*.

**For more information**, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk, Extension 8281

### **Attachments**

None

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Todd Coles, City Clerk, Extension 8281

**Approved by**

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Deputy City Manager,  
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**Reviewed by**

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Jim Harnum, City Manager