

# TERMS OF REFERENCE Emergency Management Program Committee

# Background

Provincial legislation requires that every municipality form a committee responsible for overseeing the annual emergency management program in the community. The Province sees the Emergency Management Program Committee as a critical management team that oversees the development, implementation and maintenance of a municipality's emergency management program; and ensures that the program responds to changes in the community such as new construction, installations, transportation systems, environmental conditions etc.

The Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (R.S.O. 1990), Section 9 "(d) Establish committees and designate employees to be responsible for reviewing the emergency plan, training employees in their functions and implementing the emergency plan during an emergency;" and

Regulation (380/04, Section 11) further defines the committee and mandates that: *"(1) Every municipality shall have an emergency management program Committee* 

- (2) The committee shall be composed of.
  - a) The municipality's emergency management program coordinator;
  - b) A senior municipal official appointed by council;
  - c) Such members of the council as may be appointed by council;
  - d) Such municipal employees who are responsible who are responsible for emergency management functions, as may be appointed by council; and
  - e) Such other persons as may be appointed by council.
- (3) The persons appointed under clause (2) may only be.
  - a) Officials or employees of any level of government who are involved in emergency management;
  - b) Representative of organizations outside government who are involved in emergency management; or
  - c) Persons representing industries that may be involved in emergency management.

(4) The council shall appoint one of the members of the committee to be the chair of the committee.

(5) The committee shall advise council on the development and implementation of the municipality's emergency management program.

(6) The committee shall advise the council on the development and implementation of the municipality's emergency management program and shall make recommendations to the council for its revision if necessary."

### Mandate / Objectives

The committee oversees the development, implementation and maintenance of the emergency management program in accordance with Regulation 380/04 and in accordance with the Term of Council Priorities; continue to ensure the safety and well-being of citizens.

### Objectives

- 1. Monitor and ensure the program activities are delivered in accordance with the Act and Regulations.
- 2. Support the program in responding and adapting to current and emerging risks that could impact the community.
- 3. Share expertise and knowledge to promote emergency preparedness and public safety.
- 4. Review and make recommendations on the City's Emergency Response Plans.
- 5. Appoint personnel to the Emergency Management Team.
- 6. Review and make recommendation on program initiatives.

- 7. Review after action reports for exercises and emergency responses and make recommendations on emergency management enhancements and corrective actions based on lessons learned.
- 8. Review and makes recommendations on the City's business continuity planning initiatives.
- 9. Conduct an annual emergency management program review to verify that the program is operating in compliance with the Act and Regulations; and
- 10. Make recommendations to council.

# Term

Members are appointed at each new term of Council.

### Membership

The membership shall be comprised of:

Primary	Alternate
City Manager (Chair)	Deputy City Manager
Deputy City Manager, Community Services	Director
Deputy City Manager, Public Works	Director
Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management	Director
Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services	Chief Officer/City Clerk
Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer	Director
City Solicitor	Director
Chief Corporate Initiatives and Intergovernmental Relations	Director
Director of Corporate and Strategic Communications	Manager
Fire Chief	Deputy Fire Chief
Manager of Emergency Planning	
Executive Director, Vaughan Public Libraries	Director of Finance
Representative from York Regional Police	
Representative from Alectra	

### Meeting Procedures

The proceedings of the Emergency Management Program Committee are to be governed by the City's Procedural By-law.

### Agendas and Reporting

Agendas shall be prepared by the City Clerk's Office in consultation with the Committee Chair.

Agendas shall be issued to the committee members one week prior to the scheduled date of meeting, or as soon as practicable

The Committee Chair shall submit a report in the City's committee report format to the Committee of the Whole when recommendations made require Council approval.

### Meetings

Meeting dates will be determined at the last meeting of the year for the following year by consensus of the committee. The committee shall meet quarterly and may schedule additional meetings as determined by the Chair.

Meetings are to be open to the public in accordance with the *Municipal Act*, 2001. Meetings shall be closed to the public where information being discussed meets the "confidentiality for defense" criteria stated in the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, 1990 Section 2.1 (3-8).

# **Notice of Meetings**

Meetings will be noted on the Schedule of Meetings calendar document through the Office of the City Clerk, Council Secretariat.

### Quorum

The majority of members, including the Chair, shall constitute quorum.

### Staff Resources

The City Clerk's Office is responsible for agenda production and distribution, the giving of procedural advice, and the recording of the proceedings of the Emergency Management Program Committee. The committee is comprised of staff from the City and external agencies.

# Authority

The Emergency Management Program Committee possesses the legislated accountability to annually review the municipality's emergency management program to verify compliance with the Act and Regulations, and to make recommendations for program changes or enhancements to the Council.

The members of the Emergency Management Program Committee have the delegated authority from Council to appoint staff to the Emergency Management Team.

The Emergency Management Program Committee may not commit expenditures save for those specifically delegated by Council.

### Amendment / Expansion of Terms of Reference

The Committee Chair shall make recommendations to Council for amendments and/or expansion of the terms of reference as required.

# THE CITY OF VAUGHAN **BY-LAW**

# **BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2018**

A By-law to appoint members to the City's Emergency Management Program Committee, and to delegate authority to the Emergency Management Program Committee to appoint members to the Emergency Management Team, and to update the Emergency Management Program Committee Terms of Reference and amend By-Law Number 63-2008.

WHEREAS section 11 (1 - 6) of Regulation 380/04 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act R.S.O. 1990* as amended mandates that every municipality shall have an Emergency Management Program Committee for the purposes of advising Council on the development and implementation of the municipality's program, making recommendations for revision where necessary and to conduct the annual program review or verification.

AND WHEREAS the City's organizational structure has changed necessitating changes to the Committee membership.

AND WHEREAS section 12 (1 - 6) of Regulation 380/04 further requires that every municipality have a municipal emergency control group (Emergency Management Team) that is composed of officials or employees of the municipality that may be appointed by Council and such Members of Council and other individuals that may be appointed by Council.

AND WHEREAS the City of Vaughan Emergency Management Team consists of over 160 members and 39 scribes and membership changes occur frequently.

AND WHEREAS section 23.1 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001. C. 25 authorizes a municipality to delegates its powers and duties;

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

1. By-law Number 063-2008 be and it is hereby amended by deleting Section 1 and replacing it with the following:

The Emergency Management Program Committee for the City of Vaughan shall consist of the following members:

- The City Manager (the alternate member shall be a Deputy City Manager)
- The Deputy City Manager, Community Services (the alternate member shall be the Director of Recreation Services)
- The Deputy City Manager, Public Works (the alternate member shall be a Director from the Public Works portfolio)
- The Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management (the alternate member shall be a Director from the Planning and Growth Management Portfolio)
- The Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services (the alternate member shall be the City Clerk or a Chief Officer from this portfolio)
- The Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer (the alternate member shall be a Director from this portfolio)
- The City Solicitor (the alternate member shall be the Director of Legal Services)
- The Chief Corporate Initiatives and Intergovernmental Relations (the alternate member shall be the Director of Economic and Cultural Development)
- The Director of Corporate and Strategic Communications (the alternate member shall be the Director of Corporate Communications)
- The Fire Chief (the alternate member shall be a Deputy Fire Chief)
- The Manager of Emergency Planning
- The Executive Director, Vaughan Public Libraries (the alternate member shall be Director of Finance)
- A senior staff representative from York Regional Police Services (YRPS), as selected by YRPS
- A senior staff representative from Alectra, as selected by Alectra
- By-law Number 063-2008 (as amended) be and it is hereby further amended by deleting the Schedule
  "A" Emergency Management Program Committee Terms of Reference and replacing it with the Schedule "A" Emergency Management Program Committee Terms of Reference attached hereto.
- 3. The authority to appoint members to the Emergency Management Team is delegated from Council to the Emergency Management Program Committee, subject to the following condition:
  - 1) The Manager of Emergency Planning maintains a current list of all Emergency Management Team members.

Attachment 2

Enacted by City of Vaughan Council this XX<sup>th</sup> day of XXXX, 2018.

Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor

Todd Coles, City Clerk

Authorized by Item No. \_\_\_\_ of Report No. \_\_\_\_ of the Committee of the Whole Adopted by Vaughan City Council on