

Item:



Committee of the Whole Report

DATE: Wednesday, December 05, 2018

WARD(S): ALL

**TITLE: SPECIAL COUNCIL (CLOSED SESSION) EDUCATION
TRAINING SESSION – FEBRUARY 7 & 8, 2019**

FROM:

Nick Spensieri, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services

ACTION: DECISION

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 Council education training session to be held on February 7 and 8, 2019.
- The education training session will be held at the Novotel Hotel, 200 Bass Pro Mills Drive, Vaughan, on the topics noted.

Recommendations

1. That Council resolve into Closed Session on February 7 and 8, 2019, at the Novotel Hotel, 200 Bass Pro Mills Drive, Vaughan, for the purpose of an education and training session on the following topics:
 - a) Council Orientation
 - b) Regulatory Legislative Update
 - c) Policy Modernization Update
 - d) Strategic Plan

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

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 Training Session is being conducted for Members of Council and corporate management and will include the following education and training topics:

- a) Council Orientation
- b) Regulatory Legislative Update
- c) Policy Modernization Update
- d) Strategic Plan

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

Financial Impact

The incidental expenses for conducting the education and training session, including venue and refreshments, will be funded from the Council Corporate Budget. Sessional expenses, such as fees for invited speakers, will be funded by the Office of the City Manager.

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 these tools for good governance.

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Attachments

None

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