

# Amendment to Procedure By-law 59-2024

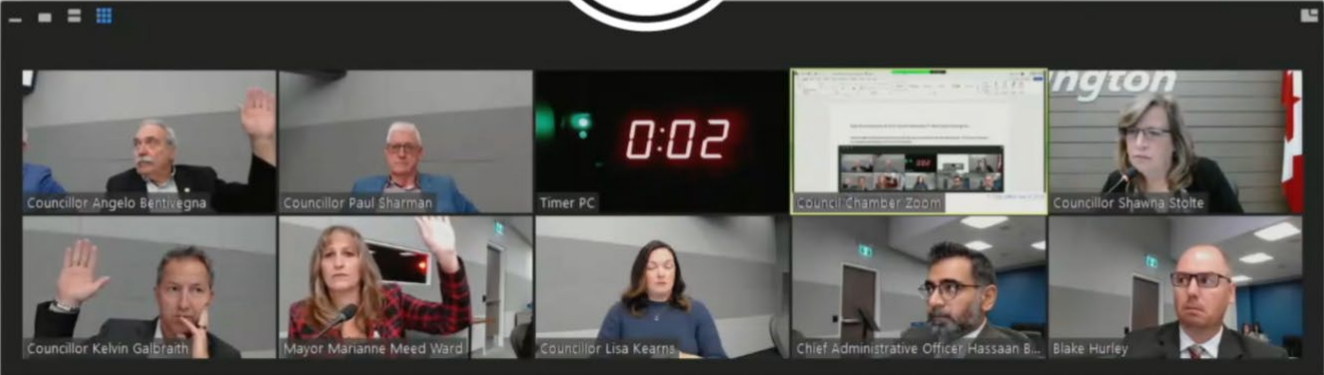

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To :Special Council March 2,2026

# Public Needs to see Timer

Defer the consideration of CL-01-24 to the September 17, 2024 Council meeting; and

Direct staff to bring forward a Procedure By-law for the September 17 Council meeting to include the Pipeline to Permit Committee



**CITY OF Burlington** Committee of the Whole 11:50am Mon Sep 9, 2024

8.1 Procedure By-law update (CL-01-24) +15s

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# Lessons Learned, Tweaks and Take Aways

- The CAO thinks there are lessons to be learned
- The City Solicitor thinks there are tweaks that can be made
- Both talk about taking away and bring something back.
  
- Please Refer to my written delegation on CL-24-24
- I note that three council meeting are on Tuesdays following statutory holidays.
- This is problematic as the public can't register to delegate on the Monday as City Hall is closed.

# CL-26-24

- This dealt with the last amendment to the Procedure Bylaw
- The regular Council agenda is typically released on the Friday before the meeting. When Council is held on a week where there is a holiday Monday, staff will publish the agenda on the Thursday before the meeting to ensure that delegates have time to review the agenda material and submit their delegation requests by the deadline.

# Defer to November

## From Delegation on CL-01-24

- At the CoW the lawyer recommended delaying the Report to the November Cycle as some councillors and the CAO are on a Junket to Japan in October.
- He then said it would be better to defer till today.
- Well I've seen Bylaw and it doesn't fix the problems. Your staff doesn't have time between committee and Council to fix major problems when council is only 5 working days after Committee.
- This should be deferred to November.

# Problem- From Delegation on CL-01-24

- 48.7 Delegations to the Pipeline to Permit Committee will only be accepted in a written format. In person delegations may be permitted at the discretion of the Committee Chair.

Delegations should be as per every other Committee.

Terms of reference for P2P

## **Engagement:**

Receive input from the public and the development industry by way of delegations and correspondence regarding processes, procedures, and intergovernmental advocacy.

# From the Ombudsman

## Delegation on CL-01-24

- I urge the City to determine a set of rules that it wishes to live by, and then commit itself to living within them. The Procedure By-Law can be an important part of building transparency and accountability in the City's decision-making, which are principles specifically described in s. 270(1)5 of the Municipal Act, 2001.
- You need to take more time than this rush job allows to get it right.
- You should have the second workshop session on the Procedure Bylaw and you also need to reschedule the Workshop on Chairing meetings/Roberts rules.

# Summary

- The tweaking approach to amending the Procedure By-law isn't working.
- There are several errors in the Procedure By-law that need to be fixed I made council and staff aware of the issues back in September.
- Council needs to direct staff to schedule a Workshop to conduct a holistic review of the Procedure By-lawg
- Council needs to actually engage the public on what's not working.