Leave of Absence from City Council

Councillor B. Henderson

Recommendation

That an absence from all Council and Committee meetings, from the day the Writ is issued calling the 2021 Federal Election until the day of the official results are released, be authorized for Councillor B. Henderson.

Report

The Municipal Government Act states:

- 174(1) A councillor is disqualified from council if
 - (d) the councillor is absent from all regular council meetings held during any period of 8 consecutive weeks, starting with the date that the first meeting is missed, unless subsection (2) applies;
- 174(2) A councillor is not disqualified by being absent from regular council meetings under subsection (1)(d) if
 - (a) the absence is authorized by a resolution of council passed at any time

Councillor B. Henderson is requesting that Council authorize a leave of absence from the day the writ is issued calling the 2021 Federal Election until the official results are released. Should the Councillor be elected, they will immediately resign from City Council and the seat will be vacant. As the next municipal election is October 18, 2021, no by-election is required.

Others Reviewing this Report

• K. Fallis-Howell, Acting City Solicitor