Proposed Amendments to Procedure Bylaw 2018-59

25. ELECTRONIC MEETINGS DURING A DECLARED EMERGENCY

25.1 In this Section,

"emergency" means any period of time during which an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the Region under Section 4 or 7.0.1 of the Emergency Management Act.

- 25.2 Any meeting of Council or Committee may be conducted by electronic meeting during an emergency in accordance with Appendix A (Conducting an Electronic Meeting), and subject to any protocols that may be determined necessary by the Regional Chair, in consultation with the Clerk, to facilitate the meeting.
- NEW 25.3 The Regional Chair may determine the extent to which any meeting will be conducted electronically, including whether any meeting shall be fully in-person or fully electronic.

Existing sections 25.3 and 25.4 are hereby renumbered to 25.4 and 25.5 respectively

Appendix A Conducting an Electronic Meeting

Health and Safety Policy – In Person and Electronic Participation

- 1.1 During an emergency, the Regional Chair, in consultation with the Chief
 Administrative Officer and the Clerk, may determine whether to permit any
 Member person to attend in person at an electronic meeting, having regard to:
 - (a) any directive or advice of any appropriate authority, including the Medical Officer of Health; and
 - (b) whether the physical presence of any person, including a member, could pose a threat to the health and safety of any other person, including any member.

5. Deputations in Writing

5.1 Public Subject to section 25.3, electronic deputations will not be permitted at an electronic meeting if the Regional Clerk is satisfied a system is in place to accommodate such deputations, and provided that a request for such deputation is except by way of electronic submission received in advance of the meeting. A request for a deputation shall be submitted to the Clerk's office in writing, by 12:00 noon on the day prior to the electronic meeting.