

VACANT COUNCIL SEAT

Mover: Paul Christian
Seconded: Matthew Shoemaker

WHEREAS City Council was faced with filling a vacant Council seat (Council vacancy) in Ward 6 after former Councilor Romano was elected to the Provincial Legislature; and

WHEREAS Councils of the past have been faced with similar challenges; and

WHEREAS it is likely that Council vacancies will occur in the future; and

WHEREAS there are no formal policies and procedures that currently exist which guide Council, city staff, and the public through the challenges of filling Council vacancies;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request that the City Clerk's Department provide a report with recommended policies and procedures that can be adopted to deal with future Council vacancies; and

FURTHER that any recommendations being offered give consideration to the time remaining in the Council's term, the methods by which the public will be notified of such vacancies and any procedures they will follow, and the procedures staff will follow for each of the recommendations being offered in the report.