



**The Corporation of the City of St. Catharines  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
Regular, Monday, April 12, 2021  
Electronic Participation, 6:00 PM**

As part of the City's commitment to safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting of Council will be held electronically.

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*Electronic Delegations: Those wishing to speak to an item on the agenda must complete the [City's Electronic Delegation Form](#) by Sunday, April 11, 2021 before 11:59 p.m. and attend a test session with City staff on Monday, April 12, 2021 at 10 a.m.*

*His Worship Mayor Walter Sendzik takes the Chair and opens the meeting*

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- 1. Mayor's Report**
- 2. Adoption of the Agendas**
- 3. Declarations of Interest**
- 4. Adoption of the Minutes (Council and General Committee)**
  - 4.1 Regular Council, Minutes of [March 29, 2021](#)
  - 4.2 General Committee, Minutes of [March 29, 2021](#)
  - 4.3 Special Council, Minutes of [March 30, 2021](#)
- 5. Resolve into General Committee**

*Council will proceed to General Committee Agenda Item 1 - Motion to Move Reports on Consent*
- 6. Public Meetings Pursuant to Planning Act and Public Notice By-Law**

**7. Special Presentations**

**8. Resolve into General Committee**

*Council will proceed to General Committee Agenda Item 3 - Discussion Reports*

**9. Motion Arising from In-Camera Session**

**10. Motion to Ratify Forthwith Recommendations**

**11. Motions**

**11.1 Commercial Insurance Rates**

*Councillor Porter will present the following motion:*

WHEREAS Ontario residents and businesses pay some of the highest insurance rates in Canada; and

WHEREAS businesses in Ontario, including many businesses in St. Catharines, have lost a significant portion of their income during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS many businesses in St. Catharines have seen their commercial insurance rates increase and in some cases double and triple over the past few years for no valid reason; and

WHEREAS in some instances, businesses who have been good longstanding insurance customers are being refused commercial insurance coverage or facing further astronomical rate hikes during the pandemic;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of St. Catharines requests the province of Ontario take immediate action to regulate the commercial insurance industry to stop price gouging during the pandemic and beyond; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the four local area MPPs, and the Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce.

**11.2 Additional Special Council Meetings**

*Councillor Porter will present the following motion:*

That Council approve Special Council Meetings for the following dates through electronic participation:

- Monday, May 3, 2021, at 6:00 pm; and
- Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 6:00 pm; and

That at the times noted above, Council proceed in-camera for the purpose of equity education and training of the members pursuant to section 239 (3.1) of the Municipal Act; and

That at the meeting, no member is to discuss or otherwise deal with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council; and

That Council suspend the following rules for these meetings in accordance with Procedural By-law 2015-170, as amended, to allow Council to engage in open and informal discussion:

- Article C4, members not to speak more than once; and
- Article C5, members not to speak for more than five minutes; and

That the City Clerk be directed to provide any necessary notifications.

**11.3 Artist Allocation Fees for Fallen Firefighters Memorial**

*Councillor Dodge will present the following motion:*

WHEREAS the Fallen Firefighters Memorial Task Force has shortlisted six submissions for the design of the memorial honouring the men and women who have died in the line of duty as a result of their work as firefighters in the City of St. Catharines; and

WHEREAS each of the shortlisted organizations / artists will receive an artist allocation fee to submit a proposal;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fallen Firefighters Memorial Task Force be allocated up to \$10,000 from the Civic Project Fund to fund the artist allocation fees for the six shortlisted organizations / artists; and

BE IT FURTHER RESVOLED that if surplus funds remain following the fundraising efforts of the Fallen Firefighters Memorial Task Force that the \$10,000 be allocated back to the Civic Project Fund.

**12. Call for Notices of Motion**

**13. Report Requests**

**14. By-laws**

5 14.1 Reading of By-laws

**15. Agencies, Boards, Committee Reports**

15.1 Minutes to Receive:

- Accessibility Advisory Committee, meeting of [February 24, 2021](#) (draft)
- Arts and Culture Advisory Committee, meeting of [March 3, 2021](#)
- Fallen Firefighters Memorial Task Force, meeting of [March 9, 2021](#) (draft)
- Heritage Advisory Committee, meetings of [February 11, 2021](#); and [March 11, 2021](#) (draft)
- Heritage Permit Advisory Committee, meetings of [February 25, 2021](#); and [March 25, 2021](#) (draft)
- Transportation Advisory Committee, meeting of [February 10, 2021](#) (draft)

**16. Adjournment**



## **By-laws to be considered Monday, April 12, 2021**

- (a) A By-law to amend By-law No. 89-2000 entitled "A By-law regulating traffic and parking on City Roads." (One reading - with respect to parking prohibitions on Leaside Drive. Delegation of Powers and Duties By-law No. 2020-156.)
- (b) A By-law to assume and declare certain lands to be a highway and to be known as Moffatt Street. (One reading - with respect to part of Moffatt Street. Delegation of Powers and Duties By-law No. 2020-156.)
- (c) A By-law to confirm the proceedings of council at its meeting held on the 12th day of April 2021. (One reading - with respect to confirming the proceedings of the meeting held on April 12, 2021.)