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Town of Aurora

Mayoral Decision

2024-03

Decision Number: 2024-03

Date: January 26, 2024

Subject: Dissolution of General Committee and Establishment of Committee of the Whole

In accordance with Part VI.1 (Special Powers and Duties of Head of Council) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Sections 284.8 (Powers re Committees) the Head of Council is assigned the following:

1. The power to establish or dissolve committees.
2. The power to appoint chairs and vice-chairs of committees.
3. The power to assign functions to committees.

As it relates to Section 284.8, the following part of Ontario Regulation 530/22 applies;

4. Committees established under the Act that consist solely of members of council are prescribed for the purposes of section 284.8 of the Act.

Also In accordance with Part VI.1 (Special Powers and Duties of Head of Council) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Sections 284.3 & 284.4 (Direction to Employees) the Mayor may direct Staff to:

- a) undertake research and provide advice to the head of council and council on policies and programs of the Town or of the head of council as they relate to the powers and duties under this Part; and
- b) carry out duties related to the exercise of the power or performance of the duty, including implementing any decisions made by the head of council under this Part.

The Mayor hereby directs the following:

1. That, effective March 1, 2024, General Committee is hereby dissolved; and,
2. That, effective March 1, 2024, staff implement a Committee of the Whole meeting structure with agenda items divided into the following operational committees;

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- Community Services Committee
 - Corporate Services Committee
 - Finance and Information Technology Committee
 - Administration Committee
 - Operational Services Committee
 - Planning and Development Services Committee; and,
3. That Committee of the Whole be assigned the following functions:
- The Committee of the Whole may consider delegations, Community presentations, correspondence, staff reports and matters which may require more elaboration and discussion than would be appropriate in a Council Meeting and such other matters as Council may determine. Recommendations from Committee of the Whole will be considered by Council; and,
4. That I, Mayor Mrakas, be assigned the role of Chair for each committee; and,
5. That Committee of the Whole meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 p.m.; and,
6. That staff be directed to bring forward a report with a draft Procedure Bylaw amendment to the February 20 General Committee meeting that reflects these changes.



Tom Mrakas, Mayor