Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee Report

1st Meeting of the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee, continued from June 26, 2023

July 7, 2023

PRESENT: A. Wright (Chair), D. Ross, and C. Scrimgeour

A. Bush, M. Butlin, S. Corman, J. Raycroft, M. Schulthess

1. Call to Order

1.1 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None.

1.2 Election of Chair

That Andrew Wright BE ELECTED as Chair of the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee, for the term ending November 14, 2026.

Motion Passed

2. Consent

2.1 Rules of Procedure and Terms of Reference for the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee

That the Rules of Procedure and Terms of Reference, as amended, for the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee BE ADOPTED.

Motion Passed

3. Items for Discussion

3.1 2022 Municipal Election Clerk's Contribution Report - Ali Soufan

That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the report dated June 26, 2023 and entitled "2022 Municipal Election Clerk's Contribution Report - Ali Soufan" to notice of an apparent contravention of the campaign contribution limits with respect to the 2022 Municipal Election, BE RECEIVED for information; and

That the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to prepare a decision <u>attached</u> of the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee (Committee) with respect to the 2022 Municipal Election Contribution Report with respect to Ali Soufan (Contributor) setting out reasons in support of the decision of the Committee that the contravention of the Contributor of section 88.9(4) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996 whereas the Contributor exceeded a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office of the same council, the Committee will commence a legal proceeding against the Contributor.

Motion Passed

3.2 2022 Municipal Election Clerk's Contribution Report - Nella Soufan

That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the report dated June 26, 2023 and entitled "2022 Municipal Election Clerk's Contribution Report - Nella Soufan" to notice of an apparent contravention of the campaign contribution limits with respect to the 2022 Municipal Election, BE RECEIVED for information; and

That the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to prepare a decision <u>attached</u> of the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee (Committee) with respect to the 2022 Municipal Election Contribution Report with respect to Nella Soufan (Contributor) setting out reasons in support of the decision of the Committee that the contravention of the Contributor of section 88.9(4) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* whereas the Contributor exceeded a total of \$5,000 to two or more candidates for office of the same council, the Committee will commence a legal proceeding against the Contributor.

Motion Passed

ADDITIONAL VOTES:

That the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee (Committee) rise and go In Closed Session, for the purpose of receiving legal advice pursuant to subsection 88.34(9.1) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996.*

Motion Passed

The Committee convenes In Closed Session, from 9:40 AM to 9:50 AM.

That the 2022 Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee (Committee) rise and go In Closed Session, for the purpose of deliberating with respect to the following matters pursuant to subsection 88.34(9.1) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*:

- a) 2022 Municipal Election Clerk's Contribution Report Ali Soufan; and
- b) 2022 Municipal Election Clerk's Contribution Report Nella Soufan.

Motion Passed

The Committee convenes In Closed Session, from 9:52 AM to 9:58 AM.

4. Deferred Matters/Additional Business

None.

5. Adjournment

That the meeting BE ADJOURNED.

Motion Passed

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 AM.

Andrew Wright, Chair
 Dan Ross, Member
 e Scrimaeour Member