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| <b>TO:</b>      | <b>CHAIR AND MEMBERS<br/>CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE<br/>MEETING ON FEBRUARY 4, 2014</b> |
| <b>FROM:</b>    | <b>CATHY SAUNDERS<br/>CITY CLERK</b>  |
| <b>SUBJECT:</b> | <b>REDUCED HOURS OF VOTING AT CERTAIN<br/>INSTITUTIONS AND RETIREMENT HOMES</b>           |

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| <b>RECOMMENDATION</b> |
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That, on the recommendation of the City Clerk, the attached proposed by-law to establish reduced hours of voting at certain institutions and retirement homes, for the 2014 Municipal Election, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on February 11, 2014.

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| <b>PREVIOUS REPORTS PERTINENT TO THIS MATTER</b> |
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None

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| <b>BACKGROUND</b> |
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Subsection 46(3) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, 1996, as amended, provides that the Council of a local municipality may pass a by-law with respect to reduced voting hours in the voting places in certain institutions and retirement homes as defined in subsection 45(7).

The proposed reduced voting hours are only for the use of the residents of such institutions and retirement homes. Each location has been contacted and is in agreement with the proposed voting hours. The number of voting places for local institutions and retirement homes has increased from 17 (2010 Election) to 30 (2014 Election) locations throughout the City.

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| <b>PREPARED BY:</b>                                      | <b>RECOMMENDED BY:</b>               |
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| <b>SARAH CORMAN<br/>MANAGER, LICENSING AND ELECTIONS</b> | <b>CATHY SAUNDERS<br/>CITY CLERK</b> |