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CANADA

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Chair and Members of
Corporate Services Committee

Re: **Length of Council and Standing Committee Meetings**

You have no doubt experienced the problems that are associated with late night meetings. For this reason, the undersigned would request that the Council Procedure By-law be amended to provide for, in those circumstances where it is necessary for Council and Standing Committee meetings to extend beyond 11:00 PM, that the extension be permitted for a maximum period of 30 minutes to provide an opportunity for the matter that is on the floor to be concluded and in the case of a Council meeting, provided for the by-laws to be dealt with, prior to the meeting being adjourned.

We respectfully request that the following recommendation be supported:

“The City Clerk BE DIRECTED to prepare amendments to the Council Procedure By-law to require that in circumstances where Council and Standing Committees meeting are needed to be extended beyond 11:00 PM, that the extension period not be permitted to extend beyond 11:30 PM.”

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor, Ward 1

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