

November 27, 2017

Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee

Re: Council and Standing Committee Meetings - Daytime

I believe that there would be numerous benefits to the City by moving away from evening Council and Standing Committee meetings and conducting more Council-related business during the day. For the next term of Council, I am proposing the following schedule:

9:30 AM – Noon

Civic Works Committee, Corporate Services Committee and Council

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Planning and Environment Committee, Community and Protective Services Committee, Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee and Council

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Broadly attended Public Participation Meetings or Council

deliberations

I would also suggest that meetings not be held on Monday, in order to provide for time to prepare for meetings to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday.

I therefore request support of the following recommendation:

That the Governance Working Group BE REQUESTED to investigate and report back on the implications of changing the Council and Standing Committee meeting schedule to provide for meetings to be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays as follows:

9:30 AM – Noon

Civic Works Committee, Corporate Services Committee and Council

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Planning and Environment Committee, Community and Protective Services Committee, Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee and Council

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Broadly attended Public Participation Meetings or Council deliberations.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael van Holst Councillor, Ward 1