Bill No. 9
2018

By-law No. A-50-18___

A by-law to amend By-law No. A-50, as amended, being, “A by-law to provide for the Rules of Order and Procedure for the Council of The Corporation of the City of London” and to replace the definition of the term “meeting” and to provide for four additional discretionary clauses that may be used for a meeting to be closed to the public.

WHEREAS subsection 5(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS section 9 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council enacted the Council Procedure By-law, By-law No. A-50, on May 31, 2016, to provide for the rules of order and procedure for the Council of The Corporation of the City of London;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council wishes to amend the Council Procedure By-law (By-law No. A-50), as amended, to replace the definition of the term “meeting” and to provide for four additional discretionary clauses that may be used for a meeting to be closed to the public;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enact as follows:

1. Section 1.0 Definitions – Meeting – defined” is hereby amended by deleting the definition in its entirety and by replacing it with the following new definition:

   “Meeting – defined

   “meeting” means any regular, special or other meeting of the Council or standing committee, where:

   (a) a quorum of members is present; and

   (b) members discuss or otherwise deal with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the Council or standing committee.”

2. Section 5.2 – “Meetings – when closed” is hereby amended by adding the following new subsections:

   “(h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them;

   (i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;

   (j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; or
(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board."

3. This by-law comes into force and effect on January 1, 2018.

PASSED in Open Council on December 12, 2017.

Matt Brown
Mayor

Catharine Saunders
City Clerk

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Second Reading – December 12, 2017
Third Reading – December 12, 2017