

# The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton



## By-Law 2022-138

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Being a By-Law to Amend the Municipality of Brockton's Procedural By-Law.

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**Whereas** Section 238 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended states that every municipality and local board shall pass a procedural By-Law for governing the calling, place and the proceedings of meetings;

**And Whereas** Section 238 (2.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* S.O. 2001, c 25, as amended requires that the Procedural By-Law provides for public notice of meetings;

**And Whereas** The Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton deems it advisable to enact a new By-Law to govern the proceedings of Council, the conduct of its members and the calling of meetings and to provide for procedures and statutory requirements in accordance with the Act, and to amend the previous By-Law 2018-092 and By-Law 2020-087;

**And Whereas** Section 1 of the *Municipal Emergencies Act, 2020*, S.O. 2020, c. 4, provides that members of municipal councils may participate electronically in meetings and be counted when determining quorum during any period when an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality;

**And Whereas**, the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton passed Resolution 22-20-14 on August 23, 2022 approving that a land acknowledgement be read prior to Council and Committee Meetings; therefore, the Council wishes to amend the Procedural By-Law to allow for the change in the order of the meeting's proceedings;

**Now Therefore** the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton enacts as follows:

1.0 That The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton Council hereby amends the Municipality of Brockton's Procedural By-Law 2018-092 and By-Law 2020-087 to include the reading of an Indigenous Land Acknowledgement within the order of Council, Committee of Adjustment, and Committee Meetings:

### **Section 1: Definitions**

#### **1.65 "Land Acknowledgement"**

Shall mean the acknowledgement adopted by the Council of the Municipality of Brockton as follows;

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Anishinabek Nation: The People of the Three Fires known as Ojibway, Odawa, and Pottawatomie Nations. And further give thanks to the Chippewas of Saugeen, and the Chippewas of Nawash, now known as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, as the traditional keepers of this land. We also acknowledge the traditional harvesting territory of the Metis Nation of Ontario (MNO) (Region 7), and the Historic Saugeen Metis (HSM).

This acknowledgement reminds us of our responsibilities to our relationships and the ancestral lands on which we live, and how we can each, in our way, move forward in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

### **Special Council Agenda**

2.9 The Clerk, when it is reasonably possible, shall cause an Agenda to be prepared, in the following order, for the use of Members at Special Meetings of Council:

- (a) **Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Statement**
- (b) Call to Order
- (c) Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

- (d) Delegations
- (e) Consideration of business for which notice was given
- (f) By-Laws
- (g) Adjournment

**Council Meetings**

**4.1** The Council shall deal with matters in the following order, unless otherwise decided by the majority of the Members present

- (a) **Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Statement**
- (b) Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda
- (c) Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof
- (d) Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act
- (e) Delegations
- (f) Adoption of the Minutes
- (g) Business Arising from the Minutes
- (h) Reports
- (i) Public Notification
- (j) Accounts
- (k) Correspondence Requiring Action
- (l) Information
- (m) Motions
- (n) By-Laws
- (o) Committee Minutes
- (p) New Business Brought Forward
- (q) Closed Session
- (r) Confirmation of Proceedings
- (s) Adjournment

2.0 That By-Law 2018-092 and 2020-087 are hereby amended.

3.0 This By-Law shall come into full force and effect upon final passage.

4.0 This By-Law may be cited as the "Amend Procedural By-Law".

**Read, Enacted, Signed and Sealed this 6th day of September, 2022.**

Original Signed By  
Mayor – Chris Peabody

Original Signed By  
Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) –  
Fiona Hamilton