

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

By-law Number XXXX-25

Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 6228-19, as amended, to govern the proceedings of Council and Committee meetings of the Town of Aurora.

Whereas under subsection 238 (2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, every municipality and local board shall pass a procedure by-law for governing the calling, placing and proceedings of meetings;

And whereas on December 10, 2019, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora (the "Town") enacted By-law Number 6228-19, as amended, being a by-law to govern the proceedings of Council and Committee meetings of the Town;

And whereas on April 22, 2025, the Council of the Town passed a motion to amend section 48 of By-law Number 6228-19, as amended;

And whereas the Council of the Town deems it necessary and expedient to amend section 48 of By-law Number 6228-19, as amended, to include the procedure to be followed when the Chair is subject of a Point of Personal Privilege;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:

1. Section 48 – Point of Personal Privilege of By-law Number 6228-19, as amended, be and is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:
 - “(a) A Member may rise at any time on a Point of Personal Privilege where such Member feels that the health, safety, rights, or integrity of their own person, the Council, a Committee Member, Staff, the Chair, or anyone present at the Meeting has been called into question by another Member or by anyone present at the Meeting.
 - (b) Upon hearing a Point of Personal Privilege, the Chair decides and states their ruling on the matter, except where the Chair is the subject of the Point of Personal Privilege.
 - (c) Where the Chair is the subject of the Point of Personal Privilege, the Deputy Mayor or a Member chosen by the Members present, assumes the role of ruling on the matter.
 - (d) Where a ruling is made that a breach of privilege has taken place, the individual presiding (Deputy Mayor, or chosen Member) demands that the offending Member or individual apologize. Failing such an apology, the individual is required to vacate the Meeting room for the duration of the Meeting.
 - (e) With the exception of providing an apology, a Member may address the presiding individual to appeal the ruling of a breach of privilege to the Council or a Committee.
 - (f) If no Member appeals, the decision of the presiding individual is final.

- (g) If a Member appeals the ruling to the Council or a Committee, the Member has the right to state their case, the presiding individual has the right to reply, and the majority of Council or Committee decides the question of whether the decision of the presiding individual be sustained without further debate. The decision of a majority of the Members who are present at the Meeting is final."

Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 27th day of May, 2025.

Tom Mrakas, Mayor

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk