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Town of Aurora

## Member Motion

Mayor's Office

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**Re:** Annual Review and Release of Closed Session Materials

**To:** Members of Council

**From:** Mayor Tom Mrakas

**Date:** April 14, 2026

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Whereas the Town of Aurora is committed to transparency, accountability, and maintaining public trust in municipal governance; and

Whereas Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* permits closed sessions only in limited circumstances and does not require confidentiality to be maintained indefinitely; and

Whereas information considered in closed session may, over time, no longer meet the criteria for continued confidentiality;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council directs staff to conduct an annual review of all closed session reports, minutes, and related materials; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That staff, in consultation with the Town Solicitor, assess which closed session materials no longer require confidentiality under Section 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* or any other applicable legislation; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That closed session materials deemed eligible for public release be released in full or in redacted form, as required, to protect personal, financial, security, legal, or other confidential information; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That staff provide an annual public report to Council, summarizing:
  - a. the number and general nature of closed session items reviewed;
  - b. materials released;
  - c. materials recommended to remain confidential;
  - d. the rationale for continued confidentiality where applicable; and
  - e. That this annual review and reporting process be incorporated as a standard governance practice of the Town.