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## **Amendments to the Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee Bylaw**

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### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That the Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee recommend to Council that Bylaw 46/2018, provided as an attachment to the December 10, 2018 Agenda Report entitled "Amendments to Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee Bylaw", receive three readings.

### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To present proposed Bylaw 46/2018 Governance, Priorities & Finance Committee Bylaw Amendments. Bylaw 46/2018 is an Amending Bylaw to Bylaw 31/2017 Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee.

### **ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITY**

N/A

### **ALIGNMENT TO SERVICE DELIVERY**

Service Name:	Legislative Support
Service Definition:	Provision of technical advice and expertise regarding compliance with governing legislation and coordination of the development of agendas, reports, materials and minutes/records for council and committee meetings. Provision of resources required to conduct efficient and effective meetings of City Council, Council Committees, Administration, Quasi-Judicial Bodies, Task Forces and other officially constituted bodies.
Service Component:	Council Committees
Current Service Level:	To be developed

### **ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL (OR COMMITTEE) DIRECTION**

N/A

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

Currently Bylaw 31/2017 Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee does not align with the

procedures for public presentations set out in the Procedure Bylaw for Council Meetings. In an effort to create consistency and clarity, Bylaw 46/2018 would amend Bylaw 31/2017 to remove any inconsistent references to procedures for public presentations.

Section 12 indicates that “Except as modified by specific provisions of this Bylaw, the Committee shall conduct itself in accordance with the Procedure Bylaw”, thereby ensuring consistency with Council meetings with respect to public presentations. Proposed new Section 12.1 would clarify the slightly inconsistent terminology between Council and Committees meetings (i.e. “Mayor” vs. “Chair” and “Council” vs. “Committee”).

Also, based on overall review of the bylaw a few other minor amendments are proposed to make the bylaw clearer and flow more logically. An amendment to the preamble is also proposed so that GPFC will be described as assisting Council with governance, not operations.

## **IMPLICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATION(S)**

### Financial:

None at this time.

### Legal / Risk:

The procedures for public presentations utilized in Council meetings and the Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee are consistent.

### Program or Service:

None at this time.

### Organizational:

None at this time.

## **ALTERNATIVES AND IMPLICATIONS CONSIDERED**

1. The Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee could choose to further amend Bylaw 31/2017 Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee and recommend to Council three reading of the revised Amending Bylaw 46/2018.
2. The Governance, Priorities and Finance Committee could choose not to consider Bylaw 46/2018 - Governance, Priorities & Finance Committee Bylaw Amendments at this time.

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