

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL  
OPEN SESSION**

**CL 19-2020  
Thursday, October 22, 2020  
Council Chamber / Video Conference  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Council Members Present in the Council Chamber: Bradley (Regional Chair), Insinna

Council Members Present via Video Conference: Butters, Bylsma, Darte, Diodati, Disero, Easton, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Heit, Huson, Ip, Jordan, Nicholson, Redekop, Rigby, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Villella, Whalen, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Bellows, Campion, Chiocchio, Gale, Junkin

Staff Present in the Council Chamber: M. Lewis, Client & Support Advisor, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Staff Present via Video Conference: D. Barnhart, Executive Officer to the Regional Chair, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, Dr. M. M. Hirji, Acting Medical Officer of Health, A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, F. Meffe, Director, Human Resources, C. Ogunniyi, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Program Manager, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, B. Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works

Others Present via Video Conference: L. MadhavaRau, Director, Human Rights & Equity, Brock University

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Regional Chair Bradley called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Greenwood  
Seconded by Councillor Whalen

That Council Agenda CL 19-2020, **BE ADOPTED.**

**Carried**

**3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**4. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Cassandra Ogunniyi, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Program Manager, provided introductory remarks respecting Niagara Region's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion program and introduced Leela MadhavaRau, Director, Human Rights & Equity, Brock University, as the facilitator of the education and training session (Agenda Item 5.1).

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Witteveen  
Seconded by Councillor Ugulini

That Council **DO NOW MOVE** into closed session for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature respecting:

An Education or Training Session held under s. 239 (3.1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 – Equity and Inclusion in Niagara

**Carried**

Council resolved into closed session at 4:21 p.m.

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Council reconvened in open session at 6:12 p.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

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6.1 Equity and Inclusion - Education and Training

Moved by Councillor Huson  
Seconded by Councillor Nicholson

That the education and training session on Equity and Inclusion in Niagara, **BE RECEIVED**.

**Carried**

7. BY-LAWS

7.1 Bill 2020-71

Moved by Councillor Whalen  
Seconded by Councillor Butters

That Bill 2020-71 being a by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Regional Council at its special meeting held on October 22, 2020, **BE NOW READ** and **DO PASS**.

**Carried**

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

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Jim Bradley  
Regional Chair

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Matthew Trennum  
Deputy Regional Clerk

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk