

MEMORANDUM

CL-C 21-2019

Subject: Notice of Procedural By-law Amendment Date: March 28, 2019

To: Regional Council

From: Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk

At its meeting held on January 17, 2019, Regional Council received Report CLK 01-2019 Progress Report respecting Implementation of Recommendations from the Ontario Ombudsman Report "Press Pause". This report was circulated to the Ontario Ombudsman for their information.

The Ombudsman's Office noted the absence within the Procedural By-law of an exemption to allow a meeting to be closed to the public. The exemption is subsection 239.3(b):

A meeting or part of a meeting shall be closed to the public if the subject relates to an ongoing investigation respecting the municipality, a local board or a municipally-controlled corporation by the Ombudsman appointed under the Ombudsman Act, an Ombudsman referred to in subsection 223.13(1) of this Act, or the investigator referred to in subsection 239.2(1).

This memorandum provides notice that the applicable Procedural By-law amendment to update Section 9 Public Access to Meetings of the by-law accordingly, will be brought to the Regional Council meeting being held on April 25, 2019 for Council's consideration.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

Ann-Marie Norio Regional Clerk