

VOTE NO

TO NEW DELEGATION RULES

SANDOR LIGETFALVY
NIAGARA FALLS

PRO-DELEGATION DELEGATION

- Why are the Procedural Bylaw changes necessary?
- Justifications from councillors raise concerns
- A brief review of past delegations (2019-present)
- Deleted delegation (Dec 7, 2021)
- Five Minutes is not enough time
- What message does this send?

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Councillor Laura Ip (July 21, 2022)

**‘some of the delegations
we’ve received over the
past few years’**

Who is this referring to?

DELEGATION DATA

Compiled from Niagara Region website

213

total delegations

90

topics

MEETING	DEL	ITEMS	RATIO	RANK	%
COUNCIL	83	39	2.19	3	55%
SPEC	22	8	3.6	-	14%
PHSS	18	16	1.13	6	29%
PW	12	10	1.2	5	19%
PED	68	20	3.4	1	40%
CS	12	9	1.33	4	21%
CW	21	8	2.6	2	35%
TOTAL	213	92	2.3	-	28%

34%

of meetings have delegations

28%

committee meetings have delegations

	Date (Topic)	Meeting Type	Delegates	Topics
1	Wednesday, June 15, 2022 <i>Niagara Official Plan: Recommendation Report for Adoption</i>	PEDC	12	1
2	Thursday, May 20, 2021 <i>Regional Official Plan Consolidated Policy Report (8)</i> <i>16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence (3)</i>	Council	11	2
3	Thursday, Sept 17, 2020 <i>Motion respecting Decriminalization of Personal Possession of Illicit Drugs (2)</i> <i>Update on Niagara Region's Face Covering By-law (7)</i>	Council	9	2
4	Wednesday, May 12, 2021 <i>Regional Official Plan Consolidated Policy Report</i>	PEDC	9	1
5	Wednesday, January 12, 2022 <i>Niagara Official Plan: Settlement Area Boundary Review</i>	PEDC	9	1
6	Wednesday, March 09, 2022 <i>Official Plan: Preferred Urban Settlement Area Recommendations</i>	PEDC	9	1
7	Wednesday, December 01, 2021 <i>Niagara Official Plan: Natural Environment System</i>	COTW	9	1
8	Thursday, June 25, 2020 <i>Motion respecting Declaration of Public Health Issues</i>	Council	8	1
9	Thursday, November 25, 2021 <i>Moving Transit Forward in Niagara: Creation of a Consolidated Transit Commission</i>	SPEC	8	1
10	Thursday, Sept 19, 2019 <i>Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities</i>	Council	6	1

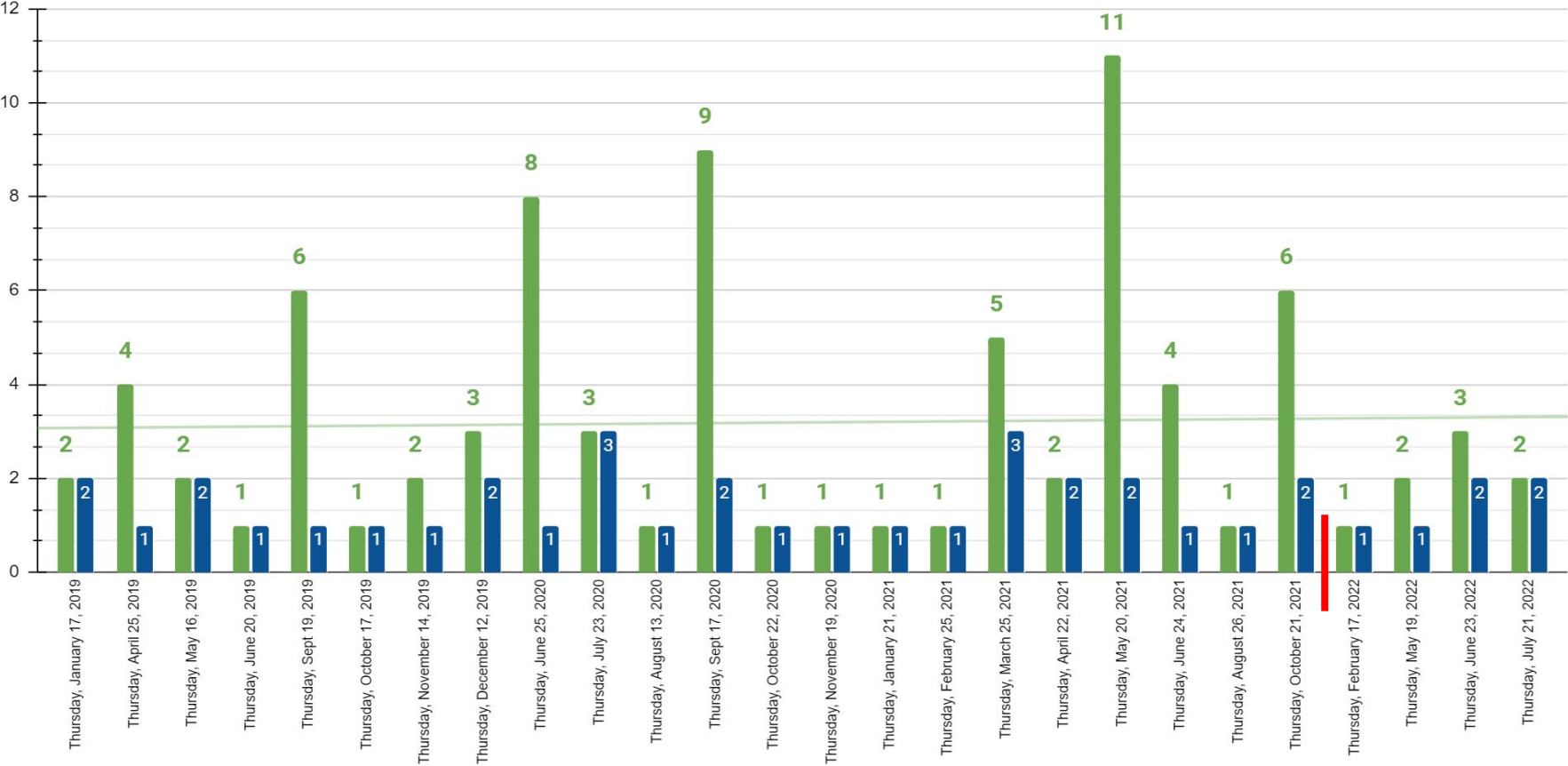
Delegation Awards

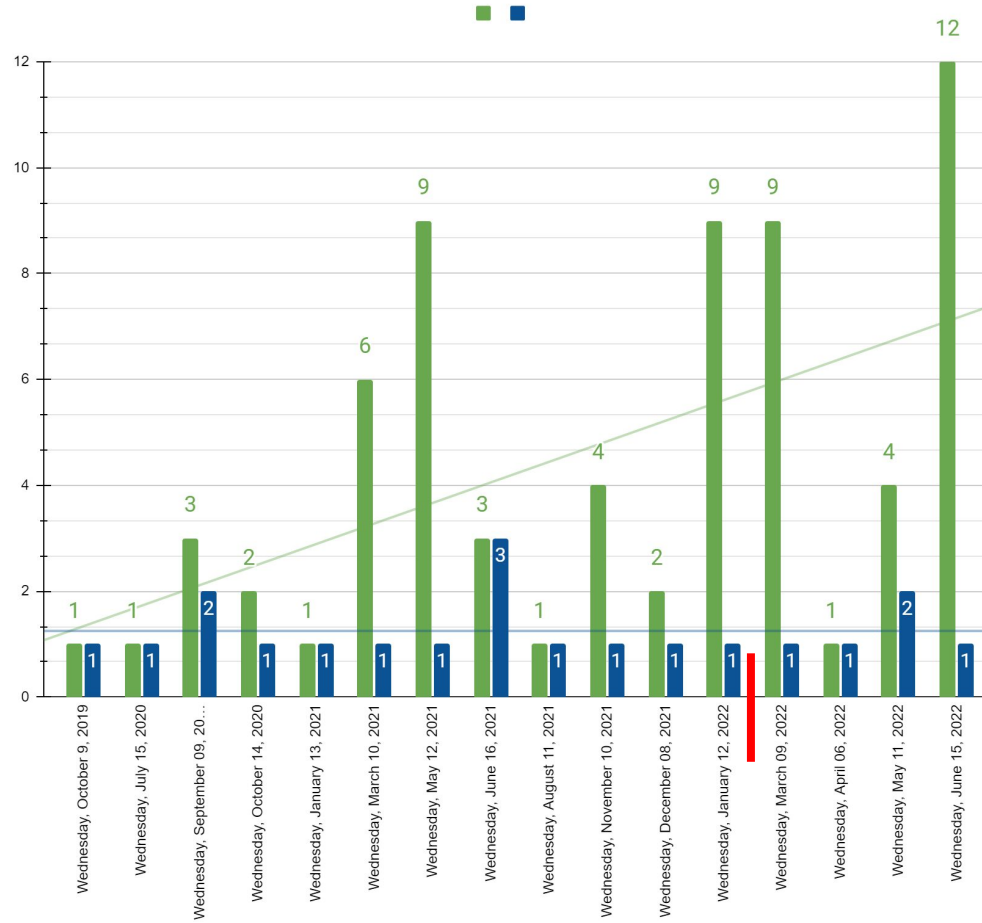
 GOLD	John Bacher	<i>7 delegations</i>
 SILVER	Danielle Romanuk	<i>5 delegations</i>
 BRONZE	Adam Soos Saleh Waziruddin Steffannie Hancharyk	<i>4 delegations</i>

COUNCIL

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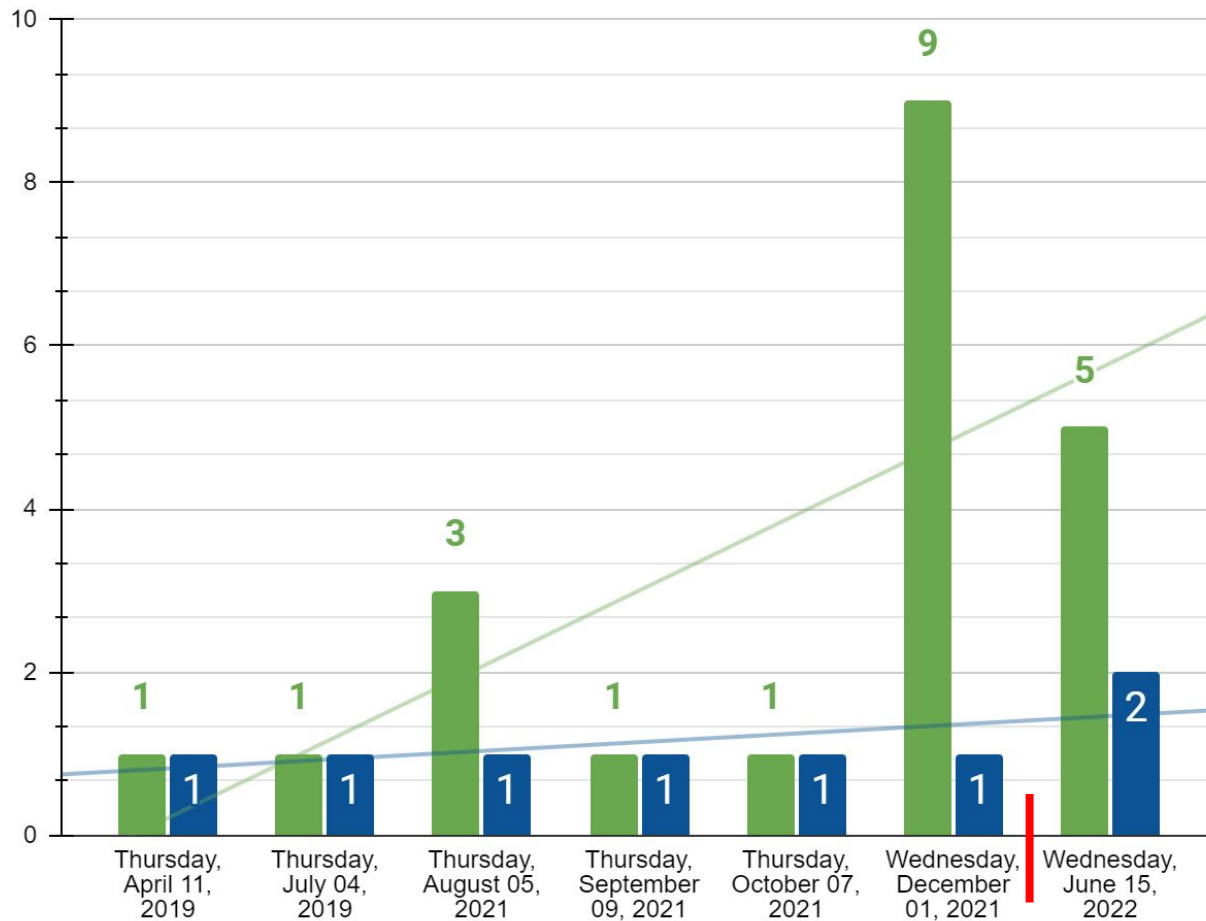
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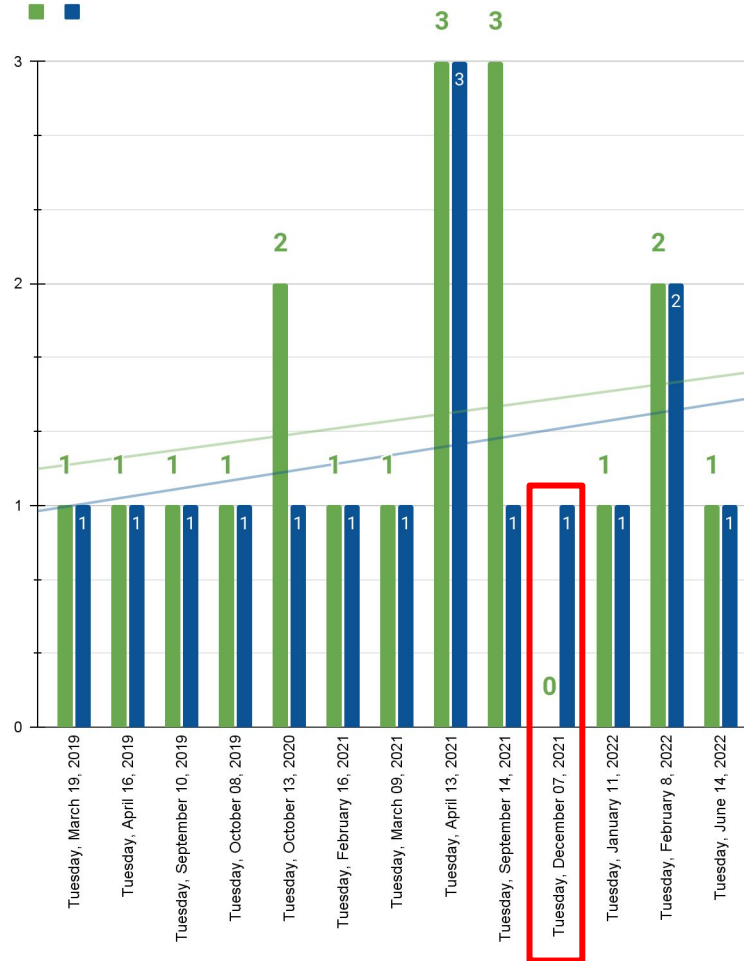




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4. **DELEGATIONS**

Councillor Greenwood advised that she was in receipt of an email from Niagara Health regarding inaccuracies in the delegate's presentation. As a result the Committee requested that the delegation be removed from the agenda; therefore, it was:

Moved by Councillor Sendzik
Seconded by Councillor Witteveen

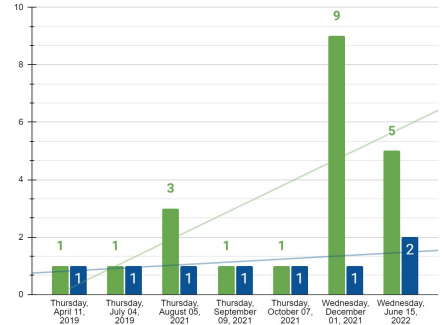
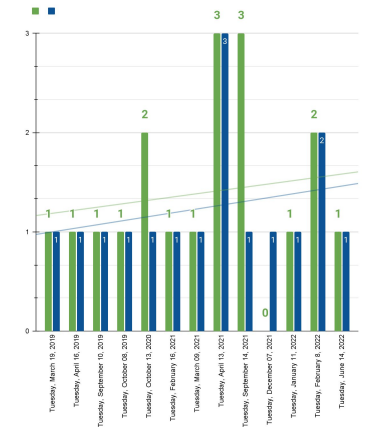
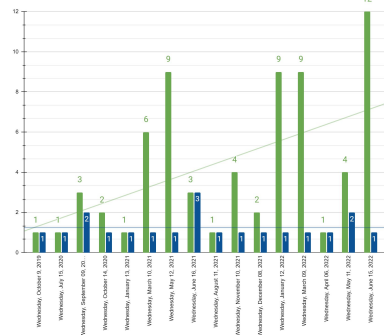
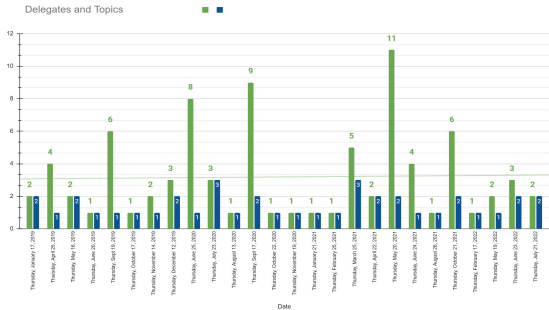
That the delegation from Rebecca Hahn, resident, City of St. Catharines, respecting "Trust the Science vs Trust the Facts" **BE REMOVED** from the agenda.

Carried

Dec 7, 2021 - Delegation Deleted

- Councillor Foster asked if there are rules pertaining to delegations.
- Then the committee chair read a letter from Niagara Health.
- The delegate was deleted from the agenda while she waited on Zoom.

Jan 20, 2022 - New rules put to committee



Which delegation crossed the line?

FIVE MINUTES

500-700 WORDS

- (f) in exceptional circumstances, notwithstanding Sections 13.1, 13.2, and 13.5, where the CAO, Clerk and Legal Counsel determine, in consultation with the Regional Chair/Committee Chair, acting reasonably, that a person requesting to be a delegate at a meeting is likely to engage in unreasonable or offensive conduct, make unreasonable or offensive statements or demands, repeatedly speak on a subject matter that is not within the Region's jurisdiction, or otherwise misuse the opportunity of addressing Committee or Council.

"If the person who pitched a brick through my colleague's window, because they didn't like things she said, showed up in council and wanted to speak, and we knew that was the person who did it, I would hope it would be unanimous that person shouldn't be able to speak"

Councillor Siscoe

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Councillor Ip

“there are people out in our community that, **through their past actions, comments, and whatever, have, in my opinion, lost the right to address us**; lost the right for us to trust them to be decent human beings when they do address us, and this is a rule that allows us to stop them in case that happens.”

Councillor Edgar

TRUST

EXILE OR REDEMPTION

THE RIGHT TO BE WRONG

**WHAT MESSAGE
DOES THIS SEND?**

VOTE NO