

Municipality Of Clarington

General Government Committee Meeting Resolution

DATE: April 7, 2025

MOVED BY Mayor Foster

SECONDED BY Councillor

Whereas the Procedural by-law states that a Member of Council has a duty “to deliberate on the business submitted to Council or Committees of Council, as the case may be”;

And whereas it is the role of a Member of Council to be a representative, a policy-maker, and a steward;

And whereas attendance at meetings facilitates Members’ roles;

And whereas Council has made a policy commitment to attend certain training (Policy CP-006, Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Anti-Racism and Accessibility Training Plan for Council Policy) and should endeavour to attend other municipally-organized training offered to Members of Council;

And whereas other municipalities such as Brantford, Collingwood, and Guelph have attendance reporting;

And whereas Clarington does not have a reporting mechanism to hold Members of Council accountable for meeting attendance and training;

Now therefore be it resolved:

That Staff be directed to provide Council with an annual report on the attendance record of each member of Council for the previous calendar year that documents:

- 1) Attendance at regular and special Council and Standing Committee meetings to indicate whether the member was:
 - a. In attendance In-Person
 - b. In attendance online
 - c. Absent with regrets
 - d. Absent without regrets
- 2) Attendance at training or education sessions deemed by any Council policy or resolution to be a requirement.