THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

BY-LAW NO. 65/2022

A By-law of THE CITY OF WINNIPEG to amend the Procedure By-law to provide protocols for members of Council participating in meetings using communication devices which include a video function

THE CITY OF WINNIPEG, in Council assembled, enacts as follows:

Procedure By-law amended

1 The Procedure By-law No. 50/2007 is amended by adding the following after subsection **9(20):**

DECORUM FOR MEMBERS PARTICIPATING BY VIDEO COMMUNICATION DEVICE

9(21) *Subject to subsection (23), if a communication device used in accordance with the Meetings of Council by Communication Devices By-law includes a video function, members of Council participating in a meeting of Council or a committee of Council by means of that communication device must*

(a) do so from their City office or home office unless the Presiding Officer or Chair of the committee (as the case may be) gives approval for their participation from another appropriate location;

(b) ensure that the video function of the communication device is enabled and kept enabled so that their presence and involvement in the meeting can be seen by other participants in the meeting; and

(c) ensure that a neutral background is displayed on their video screen without signs, symbols or messages visible.

9(22) *Subject to subsection (23), if*

(a) a communication device used in accordance with the Meetings of Council by Communication Devices By-law includes a video function; and

(b) the video function of their communication device is not functioning properly or at all;

the member may not participate in the meeting unless the Presiding Officer or Chair of the Committee (as the case may be) approves the member's participation by way of the audio function alone.

9(23) *Subject to the Meetings of Council by Communication Devices By-law, where the Presiding Officer or Chair of the Committee (as the case may be) wishes to participate in the meeting by way of a communication device which contains a video function and requires approval either*

(a) to participate in the meeting from a location other than their City office or home office, or

(b) to participate in the meeting despite the fact that the video function of their communication device is not functioning properly or at all;

the approval may be given only by a majority vote of the members of Council participating in the meeting.

DONE AND PASSED this day of , 2022.

Mayor

City Clerk

Legally reviewed and certified as to form:

for Director of Legal Services
and City Solicitor