Notice of Motion – Council spending on Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conferences, PFC2020-0237 Councillors Farkas and Chu

Recommendation:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council reconsiders the Motion Arising with respect to Notice of Motion C2018-0121, and directs the Office of the Councillors to:

- Disallow any new bookings (besides the Council-appointed FCM representative) for the 2020 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Conference in Toronto, ON. In order to avoid costly cancellation charges, Councillors currently booked to attend may do so, but their total conference-related expenses are to be capped at \$2,800.
- 2. Effective immediately, for 2020 and beyond:
 - I. require a public presentation to Council on the learnings and outcomes from the Councillor attendees of FCM conferences, to be presented within a month following the conference.
 - II. enforce the allowable daily expense amounts for Councillor-attendee and cap total FCM conference-related expenses at \$2,800 per attendee. Spending on alcohol is strictly prohibited.
 - III. require all FCM conference-related expenses to come from, and be fully disclosed, as part of the City Councillor's ward budget, not the Office of the Councillors or other city department.
- For FCM conferences in 2021 and beyond, limit the number of Councillor-attendees in attendance to the Council-appointed FCM representative, and one Councillor selected by lottery.

Excerpt from the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Priorities and Finance Committee, held 2020 February 11:

"Moved by Councillor Chahal

That with respect to Notice of Motion PFC2020-0237, the following be approved:

That Notice of Motion PFC2020-0237 be forwarded to Council for consideration.

MOTION CARRIED"

Attachment 1 – Notice of Motion

Attachment 2 – Notice of Motion Checklist

ISC: Unrestricted 2020 February 24 Combined Meeting of Council

City Clerks: D. Williams