

City Council

Notice of Motion

MM24.17	ACTION			Ward:All
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Accessible Meetings and Technology - by Councillor Adam Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Doug Ford

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Adam Vaughan, seconded by Councillor Doug Ford recommends that:

1. City Council request the City Clerk to bring forward the appropriate changes to the procedure by-laws and make the necessary changes to how meetings are staged to enable video-conferencing possible so that people with barriers to participation can contribute to committee agendas and business as deputants.

Summary

On behalf of the City of Toronto's Disability Advisory Committee I am writing to request that City Council amend the procedure by-laws to allow deputations to be made through video-conferencing. Many people living with disabilities would provide input and advice to Council if meetings were more accessible. Due to the difficulty in arranging transportation and accommodation, and due to the time and short notice of scheduled meetings, it is often difficult, if not impossible, for residents of the City to fully participate in the legislative process at City Hall and other Civic Centres across Toronto.

(Submitted to City Council on June 6 and 7, 2012 as MM24.17)

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM24.17