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WHEREAS at the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 24, 2023, Council considered a memo from the Municipal Clerk/Director, Legislative Services, regarding the Town of Cobourg Governance Review Recommendations and Next Steps;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the detailed review of the Council Governance Structure in principle and that the following recommendations be presented as alternative governance model of the Standing Committee System to the current Portfolio System; and

FURTHER THAT, since both systems and their variations are in use by municipalities in Ontario, the public survey would clearly summarize and compare the two main alternatives and be reviewed by a newly formed Governance Review Working Group and with input from all Council members. The approved public survey would be sent for public engagement for initial presentation and feedback with the following proposals:

- a) Standing Committee System described in the Staff Report and with recommended variations which would replace the current Committee of the Whole System into four (4) Standing Committees and/or mix of Standing Committees and a Committee of the Whole and a Regular Council Meeting happening each month with each Standing Committee having a specific mandate based on the previous coordinator meeting system which includes the combination of participation of all Council Members and three (3) Council Members on the recommended Standing Committees Types. It is anticipated the total number of Standing Committee and Council meetings each month will not exceed four.
- b) Council maintains the Statutory Local Boards and Advisory Committees being, the Accessibility Advisory Committee and the Heritage Advisory Committee, and others which may be mandated

from time to time. Council may enact Citizen Advisory Committees to Council and consider the creation of Task Forces and Ad Hoc Committees based on the Council Strategic Plan with a specific mandate to achieve Council goals and initiatives during the Council Term with an end term and expiry no longer than twelve (12) to eighteen (18) months, or at the end of their mandated purpose.

- c) Creation of a Governance Review Working Group consisting of the Municipal Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Chief Administrative Officer, Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Council to appoint a rotating Member of Council to the Governance Review Working Group consisting of Councillor Randy Barber, and Councillor Miriam Mutton to be struck in order to draft and prepare all necessary periodic reports and interim analysis and updates to Council including public engagement findings and recommendations; and, to draft by-law and policy provisions, with any additional public feedback to be presented to Council at a Governance Review Public Meeting on June 19th 2023 for full review of proposed structure.

FURTHER THAT the following question be added to the Governance Review Survey regarding the introduction of Town Hall Meetings.