

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – SEPTEMBER 15, 2008**

### **TASK FORCE ON DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION & RENEWAL: QUORUM REDUCTION**

#### **Recommendation**

Councillor Tony Carella recommends that the quorum required for meetings of Panel 1 of the Task Force on Democratic Participation and Renewal be reduced from (11 members) to (6 members) of the membership of the panel.

#### **Economic Impact**

Nil

#### **Communication Plan**

The Clerks Department will inform the members of Panel 1.

#### **Purpose**

To ensure the timely completion of the tasks assigned to the Panel.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

While everyone who has attended meetings of Panel 1 of the Task Force on Democratic Participation & Renewal has commented on the high level of interest and commitment demonstrated by the members, it is nevertheless experiencing---like several other committees---difficulty in achieving quorum from time to time. Given the Panel must complete its work by September 2009, to permit time for Council to respond to its recommendation before January 1, 2010, the start of the next municipal election cycle, it is imperative that quorum be adjusted to 6 members.

#### **Regional Implications**

None

#### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

#### **Conclusion**

The multiple demands on the time of already busy and committed individuals necessitates an adjustment in the quorum of the Panel, to ensure its work is completed in the next twelve months.

#### **Attachments**

None

#### **Report prepared by:**

Councillor Tony Carella

Respectfully submitted,

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