

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE
IRRIGATION COMMITTEE**

Proposed Motion

INTRODUCTION DATE: April 8, 2026

SUBJECT: Irrigation Committee Meetings and Structure

REQUESTED BY: Kevin Buis, Chair

SECONDED BY:

THAT the Committee request that Council direct staff to report back to Council on the requirements, governance implications, and process under the Municipal Act, 2001, prior to the implementation of the 2026-2030 Irrigation Committee; and

THAT such report be considered by Council for direction on next steps prior to any further consideration by the Committee; and

THAT the Committee request that it remain intact throughout the upcoming municipal election period, with its current structure and membership continuing from approximately May 2026 to November 2026, including a defined blackout period from August 24, 2026 to October 30, 2026, with a formal conclusion date of November 14, 2026, unless otherwise directed by Council; and

THAT all agenda items for Committee meetings between May and August be limited strictly to operational and service delivery matters related to irrigation; and

THAT delegations during this period be restricted to invited participants only; and

THAT any items or delegations deemed political in nature be prohibited during the election period May 1, 2026 – October 27, 2026; and

THAT delegated authority be granted to the Manager of Public Works or a designate, to make operational decisions necessary to maintain irrigation services during the municipal election period, where such decisions cannot reasonably be deferred to the Committee.

I acknowledge that this Notice of Motion will be given consideration at the April 28, 2026 Council meeting