

**CANADA  
PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC  
MUNICIPALITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARRINGTON**

**BY-LAW NO 289-2020**

**BY-LAW DETERMINING THE TERMS OF PUBLICATION  
OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC NOTICES**

**WHEREAS** according to article 431 of the Municipal Code of Quebec the publication of a public notice for local municipal purposes is made by posting a copy of such notice at two different places in the territory of the municipality, fixed from time to time by resolution;

**WHEREAS** Bill 122 mainly aimed at recognizing that municipalities are local governments, has modified the municipal code to increase their autonomy and powers;

**WHEREAS** in local governments, the participation and engagement of citizens as well as access to information are necessary to define a concerted vision of development and ensure its sustainability on the social and economic levels;

**WHEREAS** section 91 of Bill 122 introduced sections 433.2, 433.3 and 433.4 to the Municipal Code of Quebec, which came into force on June 16, 2017;

**WHEREAS** article 433.1, paragraph 1 of the Municipal Code of Quebec provides that, subject to the government fixing the minimum standards relating to the publication of municipal public notices, a municipality may, by By-law, determine the terms of publication of its public notices . These terms may differ depending on the type of notice, but the By-law must provide for publication on the Internet

**WHEREAS** the publication of public notices on the Internet is a quick, efficient and economical way to inform the citizens of the territory of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington;

**WHEREAS** a notice of motion to adopt the present By-law was regularly given by Councillor Gabrielle Parr at a regular council sitting held on April 6, 2020;

**WHEREAS** the draft By-law was tabled by Councillor Gabrielle Parr at a regular council sitting held on April 6, 2020;

**THEREFORE**, it is, by the present By-law number 289-2020, entitled "By-law determining the terms of publication of municipal public notices", ordered, ruled and decreed as follows:

**ARTICLE 1 : THE PREAMBLE**

The preamble is an integral part of this By-law.

**ARTICLE 2 : PURPOSE OF THE BY-LAW**

The purpose of this By-law providing for the terms of publication of municipal public notices is to promote the efficient dissemination of complete information, understandable to citizens and adapted to the circumstances.

**ARTICLE 3 : METHOD OF PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICES**

Any municipal notice given under the provisions of this By-law must be published on the website of the Municipality of the Township of Harrington.

#### **ARTICLE 4 : PRECEDENCE OF THE BY-LAW**

In accordance with article 433.1, paragraph 2 of the Municipal Code of Quebec, the method of publication provided for by this By-law takes precedence over that prescribed by articles 431 to 433 of the Municipal Code of Quebec or by any other provision of a general or special law.

Consequently, the municipality is no longer required to publish its public notices in a newspaper distributed in the territory.

#### **ARTICLE 5 : FORCE OF THE BY-LAW**

In accordance with article 433.2 of the Municipal Code of Quebec, the present By-law cannot be repealed, but it may be modified.

#### **ARTICLE 6 : COMING INTO FORCE**

The present By-law will come into force in accordance with the Law.