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**To:** Fiona Hamilton  
**Cc:** Gregory J. McLean  
**Subject:** Notice of Motion

Hi Fiona,

Please see the following notice of motion for next week's meeting, that Councillor McLean has agreed to second.

Whereas the Municipality of Brockton currently elects the Deputy Mayor through a stand-alone position on the ballot; and

Whereas Council recognizes that offering the Deputy Mayor role to the Councillor candidate receiving the highest number of votes more directly reflects the democratic preferences of the electorate; and

Whereas consolidating the selection process may reduce voter confusion and streamline the municipal ballot; and

Whereas this change may encourage broader participation in Council elections by ensuring that all candidates compete within a unified race for Council positions; and

Whereas the current stand-alone Deputy Mayor race can result in strong candidates running against one another, potentially reducing the overall talent and experience available on Council; and

Whereas aligning the Deputy Mayor role with the highest-supported Councillor candidate may strengthen continuity, leadership development, and succession planning within Council; and

Whereas similar models are used successfully in other Ontario municipalities to reflect voter support in a fair and transparent manner;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby directs staff to prepare the necessary by-law or procedural amendments to implement a revised method of selecting the Deputy Mayor for the 2026 and future municipal elections, whereby the Councillor candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the municipal election is offered the opportunity to serve as Deputy Mayor for the term of Council; and

Further That staff report back to Council with draft amendments for consideration in advance of the next municipal election cycle and opening of nominations.

Thank you,

**Steve Travale**  
Councillor

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