

BYLAW NO. 9896

The Code of Ethical Conduct Amendment Bylaw, 2023

The Council of the City of Saskatoon enacts:

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as *The Code of Ethical Conduct Amendment Bylaw, 2023*.

Purpose

2. The purpose of this Bylaw is to amend *The Code of Ethical Conduct, 2019* to clarify that the Integrity Commissioner has authority to:
 - (a) review and investigate complaints related to conduct of members at Council and Council Committee meetings; and
 - (b) disclose anonymized complaints that will not be formally investigated by the Integrity Commissioner to the member of Council who is the subject of the complaint.

Bylaw No. 9537 Amended

3. *The Code of Ethical Conduct, 2019* is amended in the manner set forth in this Bylaw.

Section 84 Amended

4. (1) Section 84 is amended by adding (1) before “The”.
 - (2) The following subsection is added after clause 84(k):

“(2) The Integrity Commissioner’s jurisdiction includes the authority to assess, investigate and otherwise deal with complaints related to the conduct of a member at a meeting of Council or a Council Committee meeting.”.

Section 94 Amended

5. Section 94 is repealed and the following substituted:

“94. (1) In this section, “**confidential information**” means confidential information as defined in section 18.

- (2) The Integrity Commissioner and every person acting pursuant to the Integrity Commissioner’s instructions, or the City Solicitor and City Clerk acting pursuant to section 83, shall:
 - (a) use reasonable efforts to review and investigate complaints in confidence; and
 - (b) preserve secrecy with respect to all matters that come to their knowledge in the course of reviewing or investigating any complaint, except as required by law or otherwise permitted by this Bylaw.
- (3) While an investigation report provided to Council will first be considered in camera by the Governance and Priorities Committee for the purposes of receiving advice including legal advice and deliberating on the report, when Council responds to a report, it shall do so in a public meeting and the report shall be available to the public.
- (4) An investigation report shall only disclose such matters as in the Integrity Commissioner’s opinion are necessary for the purposes of the report.
- (5) The Integrity Commissioner may, subject to any confidential information being redacted, disclose a copy or summary of any complaint received that will not be investigated pursuant to section 90 to the member who is the subject of the complaint for educational or informational purposes.”.

Coming into Force

6. This Bylaw comes into force on the day of its final passing.

Read a first time this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Read a second time this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Read a third time and passed this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Mayor

City Clerk