

Transparency of APEGBC Council Meetings

- 1 A meeting of Council must be open to the public, except as provided in this policy.
- 2 It is expected that if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following issues, the subject matter is to be considered only in a meeting session closed to the public:
 - (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee, contractor or agent of APEGBC or another position appointed by APEGBC;
 - (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for an award or honour;
 - (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
 - (d) the security of the property of APEGBC;
 - (e) the acquisition or disposition of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of APEGBC;
 - (f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation, discipline matter, unauthorized practice matter or consideration of the suitability of an applicant for registration;
 - (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting APEGBC;
 - (h) an administrative tribunal hearing or potential administrative tribunal hearing affecting APEGBC, other than a hearing to be conducted by Council, a delegate of Council, or the Discipline Committee;
 - (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
 - (j) information that, if disclosed, may harm the business interests of APEGBC or a third party;
 - (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of

Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of APEGBC if they were held in public;

- (l) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting;
 - (m) the consideration of whether a Council meeting should be closed;
 - (n) the consideration of whether Council should allow other persons to attend at a closed meeting;
 - (o) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between APEGBC and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party;
 - (p) a matter that is being investigated under the Ombudsperson Act of which APEGBC has been notified by the Ombudsperson;
 - (q) a matter related to the protection of any person or the public interest, which outweighs the principle that meetings should be open to the public.
- 3 The Council agenda is distributed one week in advance so that members of Council can familiarize themselves with the agenda and background materials and consider additions, omissions and other changes to the agenda. Any concerns or requests should first be explored informally at the teleconference held two days prior to a Council meeting. If unresolved, the matter is forwarded to the President and CEO & Registrar for a decision. If the matter remains unresolved, the matter is taken to a determinative vote at the outset of the Council meeting as to whether the item will be discussed during the open or closed session.

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