

# CITY OF WELLAND

## POLICY

<b>Policy Title:</b> Flags – Flying at Half Mast	
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### Policy Statement:

Flags will be lowered to the half mast position at municipal facilities (Civic Square, Public Works, Fire Hall, and Welland Community Wellness Complex) in accordance with the guiding principles of the Canadian National Flag Protocol.

From the day of notification of the death up to and including the day of the funeral and/or celebration of life:

- On the death of the Mayor or a sitting Member of Welland City Council;
- On the death of a current municipal employee (regular full time or part time) or volunteer firefighter, for the City of Welland;
- On the death of a Regional Councillor (Welland Representative).

On the day of the funeral and/or celebration of life:

- Former members of Welland City Council;
- Former City of Welland municipal employee (regular full time or part time) or volunteer firefighters;
- Former members of Regional Council (Welland Representative).

In accordance with National protocols, the death of the following persons will be recognized by lowering the flags to the half mast position at municipal facilities:

- The Sovereign or a member of the Royal Family related in the first degree to the Sovereign (i.e. husband or wife, son or daughter, father, mother, or sibling);
- Current or former Governor General;
- Current or former Prime Minister;
- Current or former Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario;
- Current or former Premier of Ontario;
- Current or former member of the House of Commons representing the City of Welland;
- Current or former member of the Legislative Assembly representing the City of Welland;

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- Special events recognized by the Canadian Government recognizing the death of a universal major figures.

Following a decision by the Niagara Region, the City of Welland will allow for the above practice to be extended to include others whose death should be recognized.

Notice of flags flying at half mast will be posted to the City of Welland website.