

**City Council Proclamation  
December 17, 2019**

**7.1 Proclamation – Paper Reduction Month – January 2020**

WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Brantford is a large consumer of paper; and

WHEREAS technological solutions exist to allow for reduced paper usage and moving to a new building with less storage space demands that staff and Council keep fewer paper files; and

WHEREAS the production of paper contributes to air, water and land pollution, contributes approximately 1% of global GHG emissions, and removes trees which absorb carbon, thereby furthering its climate change impact; and

WHEREAS Paper Reduction Month is being held in January as part of the City of Brantford's 2020 Environmental Awareness Campaign to raise awareness about environmental issues and the City's Climate Change Action Plan; and

WHEREAS the City will make a concerted effort to reduce paper consumption during Paper Reduction Month and beyond and will encourage citizens and businesses to also participate in reducing their paper consumption;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brantford hereby PROCLAIMS January 2020 as "Paper Reduction Month" in the City of Brantford.