# COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

**October 15, 2021**

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In 2008, Council addressed staff report TPW-24/08, No Parking Anytime on Market Street, which recommended a parking prohibition on both sides of Market Street from Cambridge Street to Simcoe Street based on the City’s On-street Parking Standards. However, as a result, the final Council resolution was to prohibit parking on the west side of Market Street only. Attached is a copy of the staff report and Council resolution.

With recent parking concerns on Market Street, staff are revisiting this resolution based on the Methodology for the Application of On-Street Parking Standards approved by Council in 2014. This methodology supports the implementation of No Parking zones throughout the City to improve emergency service operations as per the City’s Engineering Standards and Development Manual.

The City’s Engineering Standards and Development Manual states that a minimum road width of 10.0 metres is required to support on-street parking on both sides of a road and that a minimum road width of 8.0 metres is required to support on-street parking on one side of the road. These standards are based on a minimum of 6.0 metres lateral clearance required for unobstructed emergency vehicle operations. Market Street has a road width of approximately 6.5 meters. Therefore, to supplement the existing parking restriction on the west side of Market Street, on-street parking will also be prohibited along the east side of Market Street. The No Parking Anytime signs will be installed towards the end of November.

It should be noted that adjacent property owners will be notified of the new parking restriction in advance and can challenge the implementation of parking standards on Market Street by submitting an appeal that would be reviewed by the On-Street Parking Appeals Committee.
Attachments

Report TPW-24/08, No Parking Anytime on Market Street

Council Resolution – April 28, 2008

Approvals:
☒ Manager/Supervisor ☒ Deputy City Manager ☒ City Manager
REPORT

To: General Committee
Date of Meeting: April 28, 2008
Prepared by: Cathy Robertson, P. Eng., PTOE
Department: Transportation & Public Works
Date to Management Committee: April 23, 2008
Report No.: TPW-24/08
File No.: 
Ward No.: 4

Subject:
NO PARKING ANYTIME ON MARKET STREET

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Report 24/08, regarding a No Parking Anytime restriction on Market Street, be received;

AND THAT, a No Parking Anytime restriction be implemented on both sides of Market Street.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Parking is currently permitted on both sides of Market Street. However, based on the Engineering Standards and Development Manual, Market Street is not wide enough to accommodate parking on both sides of the street. As a result, emergency access and two-way traffic are impeded.

It is recommended that a No Parking Anytime restriction be implemented on both sides of Market Street. Stopping briefly to unload passengers and/or merchandise is permitted in a no parking zone.

Property owners and occupants within the affected area were notified via mailed or hand delivered letter on March 11, 2008 regarding the proposed parking restriction. Of the 22 property owners and occupants notified, a letter and petition were received from the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre opposing the proposal. Parents and guardians who use the centre and an employee of the centre also submitted individual letters of opposition.
REPORT

Background

Staff received a concern that vehicles parked on both sides of Market Street are obstructing access along the street. These concerns are magnified during the winter months when snow accumulation forces parked vehicles further away from the curb, thus narrowing the available road width.

Stopping briefly to unload passengers and/or merchandise is permitted in a no parking zone.

Discussion

Market Street has a road width of approximately 6.5 metres. The Engineering Standards and Development Manual states that a minimum road width of 10 metres is required to support on-street parking on both sides of a road. A minimum of 8 metres is required to support on-street parking on one side of the road. These standards are based on a minimum of 6 metres lateral clearance required for unobstructed emergency vehicle operations.

It is recommended that a No Parking Anytime restriction be implemented on the both sides of Market Street. (see Appendix A – Map of Market Street). The Fire Department strongly supports this recommendation.

Public Consultation

All 22 property owners and occupants on Market Street were notified via mailed or hand delivered letter on March 11, 2008, regarding the proposed No Parking Anytime restriction. Of the 22 property owners and occupants notified, a letter and petition were received from the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre opposing the proposal. Nine (9) individual letters were also submitted by parents and guardians who use the centre and one (1) letter from an employee of the centre (see Appendix B – Letters and Petition).

Property owners and occupants were also advised of the General Committee meeting via mailed and hand delivered letter on Friday, April 11, 2008.

Financial

The installation of the required No Parking signs will be funded from the 2008 Operating Budget.

Prepared by: Tom Smith, Traffic Assistant (Co-op)

Attachments: Appendix A – Map of Market Street
Appendix B – Letters and Petition
Appendix A – Map of Market Street

Legend
- Proposed No Parking Anytime Restriction
March 17, 2008

Ms. Shannon Noonan  
Manager of Transportation Engineering  
Transportation and Public Works  
50 Dickson Street, P. O. Box 669  
Cambridge, Ontario  
N1R 5W8

Re: Proposed No Parking Anytime Restriction on Market Street

Dear Ms Noonan:

We are writing this letter to prevent the proposed implementation of a “No Parking Anytime” restriction on both sides of Market Street. We understand how difficult the situation becomes when people park on both sides of the street and do not support anyone blocking the roadway, but instead of terminating all parking in the area we recommend to place no parking signs on the side of the street adjacent to our building and leave the other side open for three hour parking. Another possibility would be to make Market Street into a one-way street with three hour parking on the one side of the road.

The Cambridge Family Ontario Early Years Centre brings many young families to the downtown area of Cambridge. The hundreds of families that use our services also use the downtown businesses such as Food Basics, Shoppers Drugmart and other stores, banks and restaurants before and after our programs. Our staff purchase program supplies from many local stores as well and do their own personal shopping in the area too.

Although we have some parking on site it is limited as half of it belongs to the upstairs tenants of the building. There are only a few three-hour parking spots on adjacent streets and the situation becomes very problematic for our young families when we suggest they park at the closest parking lots because all of those are limited to two hour parking and really are not that close to our location anyway. As most of our programs run for two hours in length and with several blocks to walk with toddlers, more then a two hour parking timeframe is very necessary.
As you are very well aware, the whole city has been having a difficult time with parking with the abundance of snow. Many spaces in our own parking area have been taken up by snow and this is the same for all parking lots at the malls, grocery stores etc. This only puts even more stress on the parking situation. The point is that banning parking from Market Street is an extreme measure when we all have to learn to be more patient with record amounts of snow.

Several businesses in the area have moved away but we plan to stay. The Centre is centrally located for many families from all parts of the city. There does however need to be more parking in the area and therefore removing even a few available spots is unacceptable. We need the Transportation and Public Works Department to be a part of the solution in finding more parking in the area for our families.

The City of Cambridge wants growth and development in the downtown areas of the City but need to support that growth by providing more parking, not taking it away.

Please find enclosed a petition regarding this parking situation, which many of the families we serve have signed. A number of our families also have written letters, to make you aware of their concerns and the need for more parking in this area of the city.

Yours truly,

Donna Kendrick
Executive Director

Chrissy Laporte
Chairperson

Cc. Ben Tucci, Ward 4 Councilor
PETITION

TO The Traffic and Parking Division of the City of Cambridge:

WHEREAS, the parents/caregivers and partnership agencies of the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre have an issue regarding the lack of available 3 hour street parking spots or parking lots in the vicinity of the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre.

WE, the undersigned are concerned citizens who urge the Traffic and Parking Division to act now to consider the petition as follows:

To consider posting "no parking signs" on the west side (adjacent to the Early Years Centre) of Market Street and to allow 3 hour parking on the east side of Market Street.

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To whom it may concern,

I am a concerned parent about the no parking on Market Street. I am a mother of four and we go to the Early Years Monday through Thursday. I think it is a great opportunity for my children to go there. There is one problem there is not enough parking for parents. If you pass a row of no parking on Market Street the next public parking lot is four blocks away. I feel if we cannot park on Market Street a lot of children will be at risk of injury or death having to travel down a busy road with them. I feel a great
Solution would be to park on one side of the road. This way it is not blocking the road completely. Also to have parking enforced 8:30 until 11:40. This is when the program ends at Early Years. I hope you can think about this seriously and think about how it will affect families.

Yours Sincerely

[Redacted]
Ms. Shannon Noonan  
Manager of Transportation Engineering,  
Transportation and Public Works  
50 Dickson St.  
P.O. Box 669  
Cambridge, ON  

March 20, 2008  

Dear Ms. Noonan:

I am writing this letter in response to the City of Cambridge’s proposed banning of parking on Market St. I am an employee of the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre which is located at 149 Ainslie St. I am also a parent and a lifelong resident of Cambridge. I have grave concerns on many levels, regarding this proposed change.

Firstly, I feel I must advocate on the behalf of our members, who are parent and caregivers with children aged newborn to six years. The parking for our facility is already very limited. My co-workers and I park outside of the lot to be considerate of those families and how difficult it can be to travel to programs with little ones. Many of our parents already have to travel distances from their parked cars that they feel are too great. Moms, Dads, grandparents and caregivers are juggling car seats, diaper bags and all the while trying to keep a firm grasp on their young charges, while navigating a very busy section of Ainslie street. I am sure that removing parking from Market Street will make the trek even more complicated and treacherous.

Another issue that is apparent is the lack of parking that will allow staff and parents alike to be parked for the actual length of our program. Our staff/volunteers arrive by 9:00 or earlier to set up for program, while parents arrive at 9:00 to register for the morning session which begins at 9:30. To have to park in a city lot, the nearest on being located on Water Street, and move your car every two hours as well, is unrealistic for our members as well as my colleagues. Our Centre staff, some of whom work all day, would have to move 3 times per day and also walk quite a distance to do so if parking were removed from Market Street. Isn’t there a “re-parking” bylaw as well that we need to try and work around? This is very perplexing!

I know that the City of Cambridge encourages downtown development and activity and that was likely one of the reason that the decision was made to locate the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre in the core to begin with approximately 5 years ago. Our members and the staff/volunteers have parked one way on Market Street without incident for well over 4 years. Issues have surfaced only when some individuals started to park both ways on Market Street. The volume of snow this winter complicated things even further.

Perhaps consideration could be given to allowing one way parking for 3 hours with clear signage, on Market Street. As well, could the City explore utilization of the undeveloped portion of the “Shopper’s Drug Mart Lot for Permit parking/3 hr. parking for the use of the community organizations that are located at the “gateway to the Galt core"? 
If the goal of revitalization in the Galt core is to have services and businesses located here, it seems only natural that people/consumers/families with young children will come and use them. Can the City help us by providing the necessary infrastructure? Adequate, safe parking within a reasonable distance of services is a necessity given the location of the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding this matter.

Bonnie Fischer Foertsch
Community Outreach Worker
Cambridge Family Early Years Centre
Ms. Shannon Noonan  
Manager of Transportation Engineering  
Transportation & Public Works  
50 Dickson Street  
P.O. Box 669  
Cambridge

Dear Ms Noonan,  
Re: Market Street  

I am writing in regards to the proposed restricted parking on Market Street. I am a parent of two toddlers and attend the CFEC four days a week. When I moved to Cambridge 5 years ago, I didn’t know anyone, or know the area at all. The CFEC brings hundreds of families to this part of town - I live in Galt and now enjoy coming to Galt.

Parking is already an issue, if you make Market St. a no parking area this will greatly affect many people. Safety will be the major factor - man’s will be toting children, bags and strollers across busy streets. I hope you will consider the extra stress and safety this will cause the parents.

Thank you for your time -
Ms Shannon Noonan
Manager of Transportation Engineering
Transportation and Public Works
50 Dickson Street
P.O. Box 669 Cambridge N1R 5W8

March 20, 2008

Dear Ms Noonan,

I am writing this letter in response to the concern with parking on Market St. I strongly agree that a solution must be found for the excessive parking on that street. It has become dangerous, too many cars are squeezed onto the street on both sides of the road which is limiting the ability for other vehicles to pass safely along the road.

However, I am also aware of the lack of parking available to people attending the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre. I have been attending the Early Years Centre 4-5 times a week.
for the past year. It is a wonderful centre and a great outlet for mothers/fathers with very young children. Parking is a great challenge, the parking lot has limited spaces and the only other options are Market St or across Ainslie St. I am not comfortable parking across Ainslie since I then have to safely cross the road with 3 children. Therefore that limits it to Market St. But again, there are safety concerns with Market Street however I think this could be resolved.

I am hoping that changing parking on Market St to a 2 hr limit will not be considered a solution given that this will not be a suitable solution for parents attending the Early Years Centre as the programs are 2 hours plus the waiting time prior to the program.

I think the most suitable solution which would improve safety on Market St would be to allow one way 3 hr parking
with appropriate signing. This would alleviate stress on local residents and businesses while still allowing some parents to park on Market St in a safe manner.

I do understand that this has become an issue due to poor choices on behalf of people parking excessively on Market St but I do hope that a solution can be met to accommodate everyone.

Thank you for your time.

Corrie Kennedy Bacchus
Cambridge ON
March 08/08

Ms. Shannon Neenan
Manager of Transportation Engineering
Transportation and Public Works
50 Decouer Street
P.O. Box 609
Cambridge, Ontario
N1R 5W8

Dear Ms. Neenan:

I am writing you as a concerned parent for the proposed no parking anytime on Market Street. I am a mom who attends the Cambridge Early Years Centre four days a week and parking is a problem. The Centre is a fabulous place for parents to take their children. If Market Street becomes no parking the closest parking spot will be four blocks away which I will become a safety issue for my children. King Street is an extremely busy street as is to have to cross over with several young children. I feel it would be reasonable to have parking on only one side of Market Street. I hope you will keep these points in mind and consider the safety of our children.

Thank you.
Ms. Shannon Noonan  
Manager of Transportation Engineering  
Transportation and Public Works  
50 Dickson Street  
P.O. Box 669 - Cambridge  
NR S6W  
Mar 20, 2008

Dear Ms. Noonan,

I am writing in response to the recent proposal to restrict all parking on Market Street. I am extremely opposed to this restriction. I am the mother of two small children and we attend the Cambridge Family Early Years Centre 2-4 times a week. The morning program is extremely beneficial for children and parents as it offers an opportunity for children to socialize in a structured setting, support to parents and courses for a small fee or free of charge.

Parking is an ongoing problem for the centre because as many as 36 families will attend the morning drop-in program and only 8 parking spots are available. Parking on Market Street is the only safe option for parents. Should parking be restricted on Market Street the closest option is four blocks away. The age of the children attending is 0-6 years, this is an age where children can be unpredictable and crossing busy streets is dangerous. In addition to this, families coming
March 2008

Ms Shannon Noonan
Manager of Transportation Engineering
Transportation and Public Works
50 Dickson Street
PO Box 669, Cambridge N1R 5W8

Dear Ms Noon,

I am writing with reference to the parking on Market Street. I regularly attend the Early Years Centre with my 3 year old, the Early Years Centre is so beneficial to young children, it has been a savior to many families. Many people that attend have more than one child and keeping everyone safe whilst crossing roads is going to be a dangerous situation. Please reconsider the no parking on Market Street, maybe limit it to one side parking only.

Regards
Ms. Shannon Noonan  
Manager of Transportation Engineering  
Transportation and Public Works  
50 Dickson Street  
P.O. Box 669  
Cambridge, ON N1R 5W8  

March 20, 2008  

Dear Ms. Noonan,  

I can understand the parking concerns on Market Street, however, I would like to see some compromise to the issue. Banning all parking on Market Street, will force parents of young children to park either on a busy street or in the nearest parking lot, four blocks away. Most parents use the Early Years Centre at least once a week, the busiest time between 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Parking only on one side of the street would be a help to both the residents and the patrons of the centre. The centre is a great resource for families and banning parking on Market Street may cause some parents to stop going.  

Please reconsider.  

Sincerely,
Ms Shannon Noonan
Manager of Transportation Engineering
Transportation and Public Works
50 Dickson Street
P.O. Box 669 - Cambridge N1R 5W8

My name is Trudy Epp and I visit the Early Years Centre about 2 times a week at least, with my three children, ages 4, 2, and 3 weeks. I usually am carry a diaper bag, purse, bag of indoor shoes and an infant car seat with baby in it and trying to hold the hands of my toddlers. If I usually park on Market street so the walk isn’t so dangerous for us. But now I hear that the Parking on...
Dear Shannon Noonan

I attend the early year center and concerned about the parking being taken away from Market Street. Other parking areas are blocks away and it can be quite dangerous to be walking little ones that decease with the traffic in this area. My suggestion would be to limit the parking to one side of the street. If parking times are limited 8:30am-12pm would give everyone enough time to get in and out of the center.

Debbie Forler
Cambridge, ON
Council Resolution

General Committee Report
Monday, April 28, 2008

**No Parking Anytime on Market Street**

THAT Report 24/08, regarding a No Parking Anytime restriction on Market Street, be received;

AND THAT, a **restriction be implemented on the west side of Market Street.**

City of Cambridge
Council Minutes
Monday, May 5, 2008

General Committee Meeting,
Monday, April 28, 2008

Moved by Councillor Price Seconded by Councillor Kiefer

THAT the recommendations contained in the General Committee Report GC-5-08, held Monday, April 28, 2008 at 7:00 PM, with the exception of items 4, "P-17-08, 30CDM-05105, Modification to Conditions of Approval, Draft Plan of Condominium (Conversion), Redwood Terasce Inc., 135 Chalmers Street South.", 11 "Grand River CarShare", 12, "Guelph Avenue Detailed Design and Contract Administration" and 20 "Children’s Charter of Rights” be adopted.

CARRIED
October 12, 2021

The Honourable Doug Downey
Ministry of the Attorney General
McMurty-Scott Building, 720 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Dear Minister Downey:

Sent via email: attorneygeneral@ontario.ca

RE: Lottery Licensing to assist small organizations

The Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands at its Council meeting on October 6th, 2021 passed the following resolution:

2021-677
Dane Nielsen - Aakash Desai

That in support of the original resolution from Tay Valley Township, the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands hereby requests staff to contact the Ministry responsible for the Alcohol and Gaming of Ontario to seek their assistance in implementing an additional level of licensing which would permit small organizations to hold fundraisers as a method of sustaining our community and organizations; and

That all municipalities in Ontario are sent this resolution to seek their assistance in lobbying the Ministry.
CARRIED.

Please let me know if you require anything further.

Sincerely,

Jerri-Lynn Levitt

Jerri-Lynn Levitt
Deputy Clerk,
Municipality of Grey Highlands
519-986-2811 x. 230 levittj@greyhighlands.ca
October 5, 2021

Honourable Doug Downey  
Attorney General  
McMurtry-Scott Building  
720 Bay Street, 11th Floor  
Toronto ON M7A 2S9  
doug.downey@pc.ola.org

Dear Honourable Downey:

Re: Resolution of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand – Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations

At the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand’s Regular Council Meeting held on September 16, 2021, Council received the resolution sent by the Town of South Bruce Peninsula dated April 23, 2021 as well as the response received from your office on August 26, 2021 in regards to the consideration of instituting an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery license. Council of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand adopted the following resolution of support:

Moved by Mayor Gail Latchford, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sherry Gibson;

"Be it resolved that the correspondence received from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula to the Attorney General, dated April 23, 2021; and Correspondence from the Attorney General to the Town of South Bruce Peninsula, dated August 26, 2021, RE: Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations, be received and filed; and further that Council direct staff to send a letter of support to the Attorney General and all municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED.

A copy of the above noted resolution from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula is attached for your reference.
Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yolanda Melburn, Deputy Clerk
Township of Alnwick/Haldimand
905-349-2822 ext. 32
ymelburn@ahtwp.ca

Encls.
Cc: Angie Cathrae (angie.cathrae@southbrucepeninsula.com), All Ontario Municipalities
April 23, 2021

Doug Downey
Attorney General
McMurry-Scott Building
720 Bay Street, 11th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honorable Mr. Downey:

Re: Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations

Small organizations are the foundation of rural Ontario. Thousands of hours of selfless volunteerism are logged each year by organizations who may not necessarily be considered not-for-profit or charitable. That doesn’t mean that they don’t contribute to our communities; small organizations cook for the homeless, clean up parks and flower beds, read to young people, teach life skills to young adults, organize parades, put on concerts...the list goes on.

Many of these small organizations are not eligible to receive a lottery license. This makes it impossible for them to continue to be successful as their fundraising capabilities are extremely limited.

Through this correspondence, we request that you give serious consideration to instituting an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery license. Those who are not able to sustain a non-profit or charitable status could still receive a lottery license if their proceeds benefit the community. Thresholds could be placed on the prize values and perhaps even the number of events which could be held in a calendar year.

We hear over and over again about the hardships in our community and we know that there are organizations who have the ability to help and are not permitted to.
Understanding this, Council adopted a resolution seeking your consideration.

R-226-2021

It was Moved by J. Kirkland, Seconded by K. Durst and Carried

That staff are directed to contact the Ministry responsible for Alcohol and Gaming of Ontario to seek their assistance in implementing an additional level of licensing which would permit small organizations to hold fundraisers as a method of sustaining our community and organizations;
And further that all municipalities in Ontario are sent this resolution to seek their assistance in lobbying the Ministry.

We look forward to your consideration of our request.

Yours very truly,

Angie Cathrae
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
519-534-1400 ext 122
Toll Free 1-877-534-1400
angie.cathrae@southbrucepeninsula.com

cc: MPP Bill Walker, All Ontario Municipalities
October 4, 2021

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Premier Doug Ford - doug.fordco@pc.ola.org
Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliott - christine.elliott@pc.ola.org
Dave Smith, MPP Peterborough-Kawartha - dave.smith@pc.ola.org
David Piccini, MPP Northumberland-Peterborough South - david.piccini@pc.ola.org
Laurie Scott, MPP Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock - laurie.scott@pc.ola.org
Ontario Association of Optometrists - oaoinfo@optom.on.ca

RE: OHIP Eye Care Resolution

Please be advised the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Niagara-on-the Lake, at its regular meeting held on September 30, 2021, approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and Whereas conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and

WHEREAS payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and

WHEREAS the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and Whereas the Provincial government’s refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and

WHEREAS the 2021 Ontario Budget did not address OHIP-insured eye care, Ontario Optometrists took action and voted to withdraw OHIP services starting 2 September 1, 2021, unless the government agrees to legally-binding negotiations to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery; and

WHEREAS this job action will jeopardize good eyecare for those who need the care of an optometrist the most and will have the greatest impact on the most vulnerable groups. Children, who’s lifetime ability to learn and develop depends on good vision and to the elderly, who are at the greatest risk for vision threatening ocular diseases;
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Municipality of Niagara-on-the-Lake requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it;

AND FURTHER that the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, MPP Dave Smith, MPP David Piccini, MPP Laurie Scott, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact our office at 905-468-3266.

Sincerely,

Colleen Hutt
Acting Town Clerk

c.c. Ontario Municipalities
September 21, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa ON K1A OA2
Via Email

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

RE: Support Resolution – 988 Suicide and Crisis Hotline

Please be advised that, at its meeting on September 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That Council hereby supports the resolution from the Town of Petrolia regarding the motion to support the 988 suicide and crisis hotline, dated August 11, 2021.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the motion to 988 Suicide and Crisis Hotline.

Yours truly,

Kerry Bellamy
Clerk
KB/as

Cc: Patty Hajdu – Federal Minister of Health (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MP
Marcus Powlowski (Thunder Bay-Rainy River) MP
Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MPP
Judith Monteith-Farrell (Thunder Bay-Atikokan) MPP
CRTC
Municipalities of Ontario
THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution from the Town of Petrolia regarding a motion to support the 988 suicide and crisis hotline, dated August 11, 2021; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Justin Trudeau, local MP's and MPP's, Federal Minister of Health, CRTC, and local area municipalities.
September 21, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa ON K1A OA2
Via Email

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

RE: Support Resolution – Support Affordable Internet

Please be advised that, at its meeting on September 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That Council hereby supports the resolution from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding the motion to support affordable Internet, dated August 11, 2021.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the motion to support affordable Internet.

Yours truly,

Kerry Bellamy
Clerk
KB/as

Cc: Hon. Minister Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs
Hon. Minister Francois-Philippe Champagne – Minister of Innovation, Science, and Industry
Patty Hajdu (Thunder Bay-Superior North) MP
Marcus Powlowski (Thunder Bay-Rainy River) MP
Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay-Superior North) MPP
Judith Monteith-Farrell (Thunder Bay-Atikokan) MPP
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities
THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding a motion to support affordable internet, dated August 11, 2021; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Justin Trudeau, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry Francois—Philippe Champagne, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs Steve Clark, local MP's and MPP's, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other Ontario municipalities.

☑ Carried  □ Defeated  □ Amended  □ Deferred

Wendy Landry
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8
October 4, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa ON K1A OA2
Via Email

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,


Please be advised that, at its meeting on September 14, 2021, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah resolved as follows:

That Council hereby supports the resolution from the City of Kitchener regarding the motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member’s Bill - C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act, dated July 12, 2021.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member’s Bill - C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act.

Yours truly,

Kerry Bellamy
Clerk
KB/as

Cc: Hon. Minister Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs
Hon. Minister Parm Gill - Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
Patty Hajdu (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MP
Marcus Powlowski (Thunder Bay-Rainy River) MP
Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay- Superior North) MPP
Judith Monteith-Farrell (Thunder Bay-Atikokan) MPP
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities
THAT Council hereby supports the attached resolution from the City of Kitchener resolution regarding a motion M-84 Anti-hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member's Bill C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act, dated July 12, 2021; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario Honourable Justin Trudeau, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs Steve Clark, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism Parm Gill, local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other Ontario municipalities.
October 5 2021

Hon Lisa Thompson
Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs
1 Stone Road West
Guelph ON
N1G 4YZ

Dear Minister,

Re: Cannabis Resolution-Township of Enniskillen

At the regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Enniskillen of October 4 2021 the following resolution was endorsed:

As the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen through a resolution January, 2021 had enacted an Interim Control Bylaw to undertake a review of land use policies related to Cannabis Production & Processing Facilities.

And Whereas the Township of Enniskillen is considered rural with several settlement areas and is primarily zoned Agricultural and has endured the placement of a cannabis facility in our township since the inception of the Cannabis Act with little or no compliance, enforcement or oversight from Health Canada. Furthermore, dealing with the enforcement of nuisances such as odour, lights and noise on the shoulders of the ratepayers of this municipality, with the only recourse being an appeal to the Normal Farm Practices Protection Board or LPAT. These processes are both costly and lengthy and, in the meantime, causes negative impacts on neighbouring homeowners and unsatisfactory living conditions.

And Whereas Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs stated Dec 20, 2019 “The ministry recognize the broader concerns raised about the potential for nuisance impacts with the expansion of federally licensed and registered cannabis operations in the province. We also recognize the need for research to inform control measures and effective planning.” We are still waiting for this research.

And Whereas the Minister also recommended townships have “tools under the Planning Act and Municipal Act to set siting requirements providing the Provincial Policy Statement 2014 is followed.” The “tools” as such consist of Official Plans and Zoning Bylaws. Many municipalities have tried to use these tools effectively only to be slammed with appeals to LPAT and NFFPP at huge expense. Many of the surrounding municipalities have allowed cannabis facilities to be situated only in Industrial/Commercial Zones. For those allowing these facilities in Agriculturally zoned, there are required setbacks. However, our experience has shown the setbacks to be too small and of little assistance to neighbours as far as nuisance complaints.
And Whereas the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs has stated cannabis is an agricultural product with little regard to the PPS. Provincial Policy Statement must be read in its entirety and make reference to Part IV: Vision for Ontario’s Land Use Planning System – “The Province’s natural heritage resources, water resources, including the Great Lakes, agricultural resources, mineral resources, and cultural heritage and archaeological resources provide important environmental, economic, and social benefits. The wise use and management of these resources over the long term is a key provincial interest. The province must ensure that its resources are managed in a sustainable way to conserve biodiversity, protect essential ecological processes and public health and safety, provide for the production of food, fur and fiber, minimize environmental and social impacts, provide for recreational opportunities (e.g. fishing, hunting and hiking) and meet its long-term needs.” This statement explicitly identifies food, fur and fiber and this reference sets the playing field for Agricultural Resources. Cannabis is neither food, fur nor fiber.

Now therefore, the Council of the Township of Enniskillen enacts the following:

- That Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs re-evaluate their position that cannabis is not an agricultural product such as food, fur and fiber but is in-fact Industrial/Commercial in nature;
- That Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs support all Ontario municipalities to be able to determine appropriate setbacks in Zoning Bylaws as appropriate for their municipality for the placement of cannabis facilities within their Official Plan knowing full well that one size does not fit all;
- That copies of this resolution be forwarded to ALL Ontario municipalities, and the following: Federal Minister of Agriculture & Rural Affairs – Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau Provincial Minister of Agriculture & Rural Affairs – Hon. Lisa Thompson Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Hon. Steve Clark Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MP – Marilyn Gladu Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MPP – Bob Bailey London West MPP - Peter Fragiskatos

Yours truly,

Duncan McTavish
Clerk

www.enniskillen.ca
October 5 2021

Minister of Health  
Patti Hajdu  
House of Commons  
Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Re: Cannabis Act

Dear Minister:

At the regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Enniskillen of October 4 2021 the following resolution was endorsed:

As the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Enniskillen through a resolution January, 2021 had enacted an Interim Control Bylaw to undertake a review of land use policies related to Cannabis Production & Processing Facilities.

The Township of Enniskillen is considered rural with several settlement areas and is primarily zoned Agricultural and has endured the placement of a cannabis facility in our township since the inception of the Cannabis Act with little or no compliance, enforcement or oversight from Health Canada. Furthermore, dealing with the enforcement of nuisances such as odour, lights and noise and having only one recourse which is an appeal to the Normal Farm Practices Protection Board. This process is costly, lengthy and, in the meantime, causes negative impacts on neighbouring homeowners and unsatisfactory living conditions with the end results costing ALL of the ratepayers of this municipality.

And Whereas correspondence from Health Canada has stated that licenses have regulatory requirements for producers and Health Canada has a range of enforcement tools at its disposal to verify compliance including regular inspections of license holders. This has been proven ineffective in our municipality with both medicinal and recreational licensed cannabis. Health Canada also encouraged to immediately contact our local law enforcement should we suspect illegal activity in our community. Enniskillen, as well as municipalities all across Ontario have incurred extraordinary expenses due to this “encouragement” as the only alternative.
And Whereas with the establishment of cannabis growing operations, and lights, odours and noise are not being properly regulated, and being left up to municipalities to shoulder these concerns, and Health Canada controls the regulations for cannabis growing operations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the Township of Enniskillen enacts the following:

- that Health Canada research more fully when AND before an applicant is issued a license for either medicinal or recreational cannabis
- AND notification and/or communication be given to the appropriate municipality
- AND that regular inspections of these facilities should be MANDATORY to verify compliance by license holders
- AND upon complaints received by Health Canada online reporting should trigger an unannounced inspection.
- AND a comprehensive study of the Cannabis Act be undertaken as many Ontario municipalities have encountered problems.

AND That copies of this resolution be forwarded to ALL Ontario municipalities, and the following:

Federal Minister of Health –
Provincial Minister of Health – Hon. Christine Elliott
Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Hon. Steve Clark
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MP – Marilyn Gladu
Sarnia-Lambton-Kent MPP – Bob Bailey
London West MPP - Peter Fragiskatos

Yours truly,

Duncan McTavish
Clerk

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