

June 12, 2017

Chair and Members
Community and Protective Services Committee

Re: Business Licensing By-law L-6 – Second-Hand Dealers

The current Business Licensing By-law L-6 requires second-hand dealers to maintain records of all goods collected, obtained, purchased or taken in exchange and that the records of the goods shall be open to inspection by London Police Services and/or Municipal Law Enforcement services. The By-law regulations also make reference to the obtaining of goods, which appear to be stolen or illegally obtained. It is my understanding that the Civic Administration is currently reviewing the second-hand dealers regulations as part of the Business Licensing Modernization Review. It is important that the records maintained by the second-hand dealers provide as much information as possible about the goods to assist law enforcement with their inspections where there is suspicion that the goods may have been stolen or illegally obtained.

I therefore respectfully request support of the following recommendation:

“That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider as part of the review of the Business Licensing By-law L-6, the inclusion of regulations requiring licensed second-hand dealers to make use of enhanced recording protocols, such as cloud-based shared photography as a possible deterrent to allegedly stolen goods being sold by second-hand dealers and to provide additional information to assist law enforcement with investigations where there is suspicion that goods may have been stolen or illegally obtained.”

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M Salih".

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