# **Report to Community and Protective Services Committee**

To: CHAIR AND MEMBERS

**COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE** 

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Subject: BACK TO BUSINESS BY-LAW EXTENSION

Date: NOVEMBER 2, 2021

### Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development, and the Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure, the Deputy City Managers and designates **BE DELEGATED** authority in regulations related to business supportive actions including business application and permit processing procedures until January 15, 2023 in the following By-laws: Business Licence By-law, Streets By-law, Traffic and Parking By-law, Sign By-law, Parks and Recreation By-law, Sound By-law, Building By-law and Council Policy By-law.

# **Executive Summary**

The purpose of this report is to extend the above identified business supportive delegation of authority past the previously identified date of December 31, 2021 to January 15, 2023 based on continued evolving business needs during the ongoing pandemic.

## **Analysis**

## 1.0 Background Information

- Community & Protective Services Committee: B2B By-Law Extension (December 1, 2020)
- Community & Protective Services Committee: London Community Recovery Network Ideas for Action by Municipal Council (February 9, 2021)
- Community & Protective Services Committee: B2B By-Law Extension (March 2, 2021)

### 2.0 Discussion and Considerations

#### **Back to Business By-law Extension**:

On March 23, 2021, Municipal Council extended a previous December 8, 2020 delegation by resolving that,

the Managing Directors and designates **BE DELEGATED** authority in regulations related to business reopening and supportive actions, including business application and permit processing procedures, until December 31, 2021 in the following By-laws: Business Licence By-law, Streets By-law, Traffic and Parking By-law, Sign By-law, Parks and Recreation By-law, Sound By-law, Building By-law, and Council Policy By-law.

Administrative operational approvals included property patio approvals in coordination with provincial legislation, implementation of loading zones, providing temporary curbside customer parking locations and making portions of municipal parking lots available for outdoor retail sales events. The recommended further extention will allow for these operational decisions to continue without interruption until January 15, 2023. This date will allow for a full year (plus a seasonal extension into 2023) of operational approvals. It is noted that some existing patio extensions may require additional reviews due to the recent amendment to the Zoning By-law permitting expanded outdoor patios.

# Conclusion

Administrative approvals contained in this report include patio approvals in coordination with provincial legislation, implementation of loading zones, providing temporary curbside customer parking locations and making portions of municipal parking lots available for outdoor retail sales events.

Based on continued evolving business needs during the ongoing pandemic, Civic Administration is requesting that delegated authorities be extended by Council until January 15, 2023.

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