

Report to Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

To: Chair and Members
Strategic Priorities & Policy Committee

From: Anna Lisa Barbon, CPA, CGA
Deputy City Manager, Finance Supports

Subject: Municipal Accommodation Tax – Amended By-law to Include Short-term Accommodations

Date: August 30, 2022

Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Finance Supports, the attached proposed by-law (Appendix 'A') **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting on September 6, 2022, with respect to the by-law entitled “A By-law to Impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax”.

Executive Summary

On August 2, 2022, Municipal Council approved the by-law entitled “A By-law to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax and to repeal By-law No. A.-7753-259, as amended, entitled “A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax””. The newly approved by-law did not include the necessary clause to repeal the previous by-law. The attached proposed amending by-law corrects this issue.

Linkage to the Corporate Strategic Plan

Council’s 2019 to 2023 Strategic Plan for the City of London identifies “Leading in Public Service” as a strategic area of focus. Specifically, utilizing non-tax supported sources of funding to support program or project delivery contributes to the strategy “Continue to ensure the strength and sustainability of London’s finances.”

Analysis

1.0 Discussion and Considerations

1.1 Previous Reports Related to this Matter

Strategic Priorities & Policy Committee – July 27, 2022 – Municipal Accommodation Tax on Short-Term Accommodations – Single Source Procurement 2022-211, [2022-07-27 - Municipal Accommodation Tax.pdf](#)

1.2 Background and Purpose

On August 2, 2022, Municipal Council approved the by-law entitled “A By-law to Impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax and to repeal By-law No. A.-7753-259, as amended, entitled “A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax””. This by-law required short-term accommodations to collect Municipal Accommodation Tax and was intended to replace the previous by-law. The newly approved by-law did not include the necessary clause to repeal the previous by-law. The attached proposed by-law includes the required clause and makes no other changes. The proposed by-law will repeal the prior by-law effective October 1, 2022.

Conclusion

The attached proposed amending by-law corrects the issue as noted above which appropriately repeals By-Law No. A.-7753-259.

Recommended by: Anna Lisa Barbon, CPA, CGA
Deputy City Manager, Finance Supports

Appendix A Proposed By-law for MAT

Appendix A

Bill No.
2022

By-law No. A.-8290()--

A by-law to amend By-law No. A.-8290-227, a bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax and to repeal By-law No. A.-7753-259, as amended, entitled, "A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax"

WHEREAS section 400.1 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* provides that a municipality may pass a by-law imposing a transient accommodation tax;

WHEREAS Ontario Regulation 435/17 provides regulations in respect of the imposition of a transient accommodation tax;

WHEREAS section 23.2 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* permits a municipality to delegate certain legislative and quasi-judicial powers;

AND WHEREAS at its meeting of May 8, 2018, Council approved the establishment of the transient accommodation tax to be imposed on the purchase of accommodations of short duration within the City of London, which will generate revenue to be shared with designated non-profit entities to promote local tourism;

AND WHEREAS Council approved the imposition of transient accommodation tax on the purchase of Short-term Accommodation at its meeting of August 2, 2022 and passed "A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax and to repeal By-law No. A.-7753-259, as amended, entitled "A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax"";

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to repeal By-law No. A.7753-259, as amended, entitled, "A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax" and all its amendments;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. A.-8290-227 is hereby amended by adding the following section and renumbering the bylaw provisions accordingly:

12. Repeal

By-law No. A.-7753-259, entitled, "A bylaw to impose a Municipal Accommodation Tax" and all of its amendments shall be repealed effective October 1, 2022.

2. This bylaw comes into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on

Ed Holder
Mayor

Michael Schulthess
City Clerk

First reading –
Second reading –
Third reading -