

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

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Mission Statement: As stewards of the Town of Amherstburg, we strive to improve the quality of life of all residents through the delivery of effective, efficient, and affordable services.

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To: Mayor and Members of Town Council

Subject: Noise By-law Exemption for Royal Canadian Legion Branch #157

1. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

- The report from the Manager of Licensing and Enforcement dated March 26, 2025 regarding a noise exemption for Legion Branch #157 BE RECEIVED for information;
- 2. THAT a Noise Exemption for Royal Canadian Legion Branch #157 BE APPROVED from May 17, 2025 until September 28, 2025 from Noise By-law 2001-43, table 3-1, section 2 with the respect to the operation of any electronic device or group of connected electronic devices incorporating one or more loudspeakers to allow for music on Friday from 1800hrs to 2200hrs, on Saturday from 1800hrs till 2200hrs and on Sundays from 1400hrs till 1800hrs at the Royal Canadian Legion #157;
- 3. THAT a Noise Exemption for Royal Canadian Legion Branch #157 BE APPROVED from May 15, 2026 until September 27, 2026 from Noise By-law 2001-43, table 3-1, section 2 with the respect to the operation of any electronic device or group of connected electronic devices incorporating one or more loudspeakers to allow for music on Friday from 1800hrs to 2200hrs, on Saturday from 1800hrs till 2200hrs and on Sundays from 1400hrs till 1800hrs at the Royal Canadian Legion #157;
- 4. That the request for the waiver of the Noise Exemption fees **BE RECEIVED and FILED** for information.

2. BACKGROUND:

Open Air will take place from May 30, 2025 till August 31, 2025 within the downtown core. The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #157 falls just outside the Open Air footprint.

Council will recall that at its meeting held May 13th, 2024, the following resolution was passed:

Resolution # 20240513-012 Moved by Councillor Allaire Seconded by Councillor Pouget

That:

- The report from the Manager of Licensing and Enforcement dated April 27, 2024 regarding a noise exemption for Legion Branch #157 BE RECEIVED for information;
- 2. A Noise Exemption for Royal Canadian Legion Branch #157 **BE APPROVED** until September 2, 2024 from Noise By-law 2001-43, table 3-1, section 2 with the respect to the operation of any electronic device or group of connected electronic devices incorporating one or more loudspeakers to allow for music on Friday from 1800hrs to 2200hrs, on Saturday from 1800hrs till 2200hrs and on Sundays from 1400hrs till 1800hrs at the Royal Canadian Legion #157; and,
- 3. That the request for the waiver of the Noise Exemption fee of \$61.00 **BE WAIVED**.

The Mayor put the Motion.

By-law Number 2001-43, A By-law Respecting the Emission of Sound in the Town of Amherstburg provides the following information as it relates to Section 3 on sound from loudspeakers;

"The operation of any electronic device or group of connected electronic devices times incorporating one or more loudspeakers or other electro mechanical transducers, and intended for the production, reproduction or amplification of sound operated m such manner or with such volume as to disturb the peace, quiet, comfort or repose of any individual in any office, dwelling house, apartment, hotel, hospital, or any other type of residence."

3. **DISCUSSION**:

An email was received by the Licensing and Enforcement Dept. for a Noise Exemption to coincide with Open Air taking place from May 30, 2025 till August 31, 2025 on Friday, Saturdays and Sundays. The Town of Amherstburg's Noise By-law 2001-43 prohibits the loud music where the operated in such a manner could disturb the peace, quiet,

comfort or repose of any individual in an office, dwelling house, apartment, hotel, hospital or any other type of residence.

4. RISK ANALYSIS:

There is no risk analysis associated with this report.

5. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

6. ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPACTS:

N/A

7. **CONSULTATIONS**:

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #157

8. CORPORATE STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Vision: Preserving our past while forging our future.

Amherstburg Community Strategic Plan 2022 - 2026		
PILLAR 1 Deliver Trusted & Accountable Local Government	PILLAR 3 Encourage Local Economic Prosperity	
 □ Improve trust between council and staff, and residents, by strengthening governance and internal accountability structures. □ Deliver transparent and efficient financial management. □ Increase effective communication and engagement with residents. □ Develop our staff team, resources, and workplace culture. □ Continue to deliver strong core municipal services. □ Ensure Amherstburg is an inclusive accessible and welcoming community committed to reconciliation. 	 □ Encourage development of commercial and industrial lands. ✓ Continue to promote local tourism industry, especially overnight accommodation. □ Continue to facilitate downtown development for residents and visitors. □ Continue to leverage partnership opportunities with other provincial, federal, and local governments, agencies, and organizations. 	
PILLAR 2 Invest in Community Amenities and Infrastructure	PILLAR 4 Shape Growth Aligned with Local Identity	
☐ Maintain safe, reliable and accessible municipal infrastructure and facilities.	☐ Define and communicate a vision for the Town's future and identity.	

☐ Increase access to recreation	☐ Promote and plan for green and "climate
opportunities for all ages.	change ready" development.
☐ Finalize and execute plans for town-	☐ Review and implement policies that
owned lands (e.g. Duffy's site, Belle Vue)	promote greater access to diverse
☐ Create public access to water and	housing.
waterfront	☐ Protect the Town's historic sites and
☐ Prioritize opportunities to reduce	heritage.
environmental impacts of Town	\square Preserve the Town's greenspaces,
operations and increase Town resilience	agricultural lands, and natural
to climate change.	environment.

9. **CONCLUSION**:

Administration supports that a temporary noise exemption for the Royal Canadian Legion #157 during Open Air weekends in 2025 and 2026 accommodate the entertainment for the Legion and to incorporate businesses that fall outside of the Open Air footprint.

Bill Tetler

Manager, Licensing and Enforcement

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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