



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

OFFICE OF ENGINEERING & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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To: Mayor and Members of Town Council

Subject: 2023 Amendments to Traffic By-Law 2022-006

1. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

1. **By-law 2023-014** being a By-law to Amend By-law 2022-006 be taken as having been read three times and finally passed and the Mayor and Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to sign same.

2. BACKGROUND:

On August 9, 2011, Amherstburg Council passed the Traffic By-law 2011-69 to regulate the traffic in the Town of Amherstburg. **By-law 2022-006** being a By-law to Amend By-law 2011-69 was adopted by Council on February 14, 2022.

It is important that this By-law be kept up to date in order to properly enforce parking infractions, ensure safety of motorists and pedestrians, to keep a current log of all signage and new road development and to ensure parking infractions can be legally laid and upheld. This process is an arduous task that reviewed, monitored and logged by the Roads Department and the Licensing and By-law Enforcement staff. It is imperative that the process identifies and communicates the changes that are approved by Council. The plan moving forward is to bring the Traffic Bylaw to Council annually to capture changes to the Traffic Bylaw.

3. **DISCUSSION:**

The purpose of the report is to amend the current Traffic By-law to reflect the recommendations adopted by Council at previous Council meetings, as well as the number of additional streets built in new developments.

The following is the notable inclusions to the Traffic Bylaw:

- Inclusion of the new Pedestrian Crossovers (PXO) – Schedule “X”
- Inclusion of the Electric Vehicle Charging Parking Spaces – Schedule “Y”

Administration conducted an audit and review of all schedules to the By-law to ensure that the By-law reflects the most current and up to date information. Further, administration reviewed the By-law referencing *The Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O 1990* to ensure that the provisions meet the current standards and legislation.

4. **RISK ANALYSIS:**

The Traffic By-law must be kept up to date so that any charges laid are consistent with the By-law and Highway Traffic Act. The ability to enforce and secure fines and penalties for violations must be in keeping with the By-laws of the Town of Amherstburg. By-laws that do not properly reflect the new or changing traffic regulations pose credibility risks to Enforcement Officers, the By-law Department and Police Services.

5. **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

There are no financial implications associated with this report. The consistent review and updating of the By-law will ensure that potential fines are current and enforceable.

6. **CONSULTATIONS:**

The Manager of Licensing and Enforcement, By-law Enforcement Officers and Licensing Officer were consulted on this report and concur with the amendments to By-law 22-006.

7. **CONCLUSION:**

The Traffic By-law requires continuous amendments to ensure it reflects changing traffic regulations within the Town of Amherstburg and The Highway Traffic Act. The amendments presented are consistent with previous Council decisions and current provincial legislation.



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Report Approval Details

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