

Your Town Council in Action

Items of Interest from Wolfville's Town Council Meeting



Summary of issues brought forward at the **October 17, 2017 Meeting of [Town Council](#)**

- The Minutes from the meeting will be approved at the Town Council meeting November 21, 2017
- [Agenda Package](#) | [Audio Recording](#)

MOTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PUBLIC HEARING, OCTOBER 17, 2017

LOUNGE SEATING

- Council initiated a process to review lounge seating restrictions established in the Municipal Planning Strategy in response to a request from Troy Restaurant to remove the lounge seating limitations
- The recommendation from the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) to remove the restrictions was made after receiving a staff report, input from the public at a Public Participation Meeting, a consultation with lounge owners, a jurisdictional review and pop up consultation with residents and visitors
- Council gave Second Reading to the Municipal Planning Strategy Amendments, as attached to RFD 049-2017 in Appendix A, to remove restrictions on lounge seating

MOTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

BYLAW AMENDMENTS RE: MUNICIPAL FEES POLICY

- Town Council approved the [Municipal Fees Policy 140-015](#) at the July 17, 2017 Town Council meeting. As this Policy provides a consolidated listing of all Municipal Fees collected for the Town of Wolfville, all Bylaws & Policies that indicate a fee required updating to reference Policy 140-015
- Council gave Second Reading to the amended Town Bylaws identified in RFD 051-2017:
 - Chapter 03 – Town Seal Bylaw
 - Chapter 40 – Taxi Bylaw
 - Chapter 65 – Building Bylaw
 - Chapter 67 – Deed Transfer Tax Bylaw
 - Chapter 91 – Subdivision Bylaw
 - Chapter 99 – Vending Bylaw

MOTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, OCTOBER 3, 2017

RCMP OFFICE SPACE

- In May 2017, staff presented to Council an option to have the RCMP office space occupied by town staff. Further consultation was conducted through both an Open House and pop-up session which highlighted concerns about the RCMP moving to New Minas. In September, a “Policing in Wolfville” session was also conducted over two sessions to inform the citizens of Wolfville about RCMP policing in Wolfville
- Staff have recommended that no further effort be put towards looking into having staff occupy the RCMP office space
- Council resolved that: Whereas; the RCMP Advisory Board has heard concerns of the Community with regard to the move of RCMP office space to New Minas; and Whereas; the RCMP Advisory Board supports the work of the RCMP in the Town of Wolfville; and That Council not authorize staff to proceed with the occupation of the RCMP office space located at 363 Main Street

MPS AMENDMENTS – 185 MAIN STREET

- Council directed staff to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use bylaw to allow for additional residential density at 185 Main Street
- Council gave First Reading to the amendments to the Future Land Use Map (Map 1 of the MPS), to redesignate 185 Main Street (PIDs 55276729 and 55276737) from Low Density Residential (LDR) to Medium Density Residential (MDR) and amend the Zoning Map (schedule A of the LUB) to rezone 185 Main Street (PIDs 55276729 and 55276737) from R1A to R2/4, and forward to the November 21st Town Council meeting for Second Reading

MPS AMENDMENTS – BUILDING HEIGHT, DOWNTOWN PARKING, AND NEIGHBOURHOOD BUSINESS

- Parts 3 and 4 of the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) are the most substantial and most important portions of the document – Council’s direction on these policy issues can allow for staff to detail the guidelines/regulations and move forward toward a completed document for consideration

Building Height

- Council directed staff restrict building height in the C-1 Commercial Zone to three (3) stories

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Downtown Parking

- Council directed staff to include the parking requirements contained in the Draft Municipal Planning Strategy, subject to the outcomes of the Parking Action Plan and refinement of the draft policies presented to-date

Neighbourhood Business

- Council directed staff to integrate the tiered-approach outlined in Attachment 2 to RFD 054-2017 into the Municipal Planning Strategy Review

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