



COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

**Tuesday, May 18, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

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- 1. COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (IN-CAMERA) (6:50 p.m.)
(See yellow tab)**
 - Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees:
 - ATU Negotiations Update.

- 2. ARISE FROM COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (IN-CAMERA) (7:00 p.m.)**

- 3. OPEN COUNCIL MEETING (7:00 p.m.)**
 - 3.1 NATIONAL ANTHEM**
 - 3.2 OPENING REMARKS**
 - 3.3 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**
 - 3.4 ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Special Council Meetings of April 27 and 29, 2021 and May 11, 2021 and Regular Council Meeting of May 4, 2021 (*Previously Distributed*).
 - 3.5 CALL UPON THE CITY CLERK TO REVIEW COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE ITEMS (IN-CAMERA) TO BE ADDED TO BLOCK**
 - 3.6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**
 - 3.7 COUNCILLORS TO DETERMINE AGENDA ITEMS AND BY-LAWS TO BE REMOVED FROM BLOCK FOR DISCUSSION IN COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN) (See pink tab)**

- 4. ORAL REPORTS AND DELEGATIONS**
 - 4.1 PRESENTATION(S) - Nil**
 - 4.2 DELEGATION(S) (maximum 5/10/5 policy) - Nil**



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4.3 AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES REPORT(S)

04-47 Julianne Brunet, Chief Executive Officer, Welland Public Library re: Update on Activities.

(Background information included in Council member's packages).

4.4 LEGISLATED PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS - Nil

5. COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN) (to discuss items removed from Agenda Block)

6. BY-LAWS (SEE AGENDA INDEX)

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

7.1 Councillor matters discussed with staff for reporting purposes

7.2 Notices of Motion (previously submitted for discussion)

(Councillor DiMarco)

02-160 WHEREAS a Vice Mayor is appointed amongst Councillors for a period of 4 months at the beginning of a new term and through the complete term of a Council; and
WHEREAS the duties to be performed by the Vice Mayor are mostly to represent the Mayor at city functions as well as personal functions when so requested; and further
WHEREAS known by all this current pandemic has cancelled all events city wide and for the foreseeable future.
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND appointment of a Vice Mayor be suspended for the remainder of this term.

(Councillor DiMarco)

02-160 WHEREAS the appointment of Councillors for various committees has been a practice for a number of years and as stated in our Procedural By-laws are chosen at the onset of the term and for the duration of the term as well; and
WHEREAS there are committees that involve all of council and by stating such certain are repetitive, double the time for Councillors as well as staff; and further



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WHEREAS to eliminate the time consuming roles of both council and staff at these committee meetings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IN RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND eliminates the need for a Budget Review Committee and its chair hence allowing the decisions during the yearly budget process be streamlined to be reported directly from staff to council and eliminating the duplicated procedure for all.

(Councillor McLeod)

06-156 WHEREAS there is an interest in urban farming with respect to chickens within Welland city limits.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND requests staff present a By-law in which this may be permitted.

7.3 Call for Notices of Motion (for introduction at the next scheduled Council meeting)

8. CORPORATION REPORTS

8.1 Mayor's Report

8.2 Chief Administrative Officer's Report

9. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 18th day of May, 2021. Ref. No. 21-1

10. ADJOURNMENT



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AGENDA BLOCK

1. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES, PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND OTHER ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION - Nil**

2. **COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

1. **Business Arising from Committee-of-the-Whole (closed)**

1 2. **General Committee Report to Council - May 11, 2021**

CLK-2021-14 City Clerk, T. Stephens - Outstanding Council Resolutions List.
Ref. No. 02-160
(Refer to pages 1 to 12 from the May 11, 2021 General Committee Agenda).

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information Report CLK-2021-14: Outstanding Council Resolutions List.

3. **Budget Review Committee Report to Council - Nil**

4. **Staff Reports**

2 - 4 **FIN-2021-16** Interim CAO/Director of Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, S. Zorbas - 2021 Tax Levy. Ref. No. 21-4
(See By-law 1)

5 - 6 **FIN-2021-17** Interim CAO/Director of Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, S. Zorbas - Purchase of One (1) Backhoe Loader Unit. Ref. No. 21-46 (See By-law 2)

7 - 8 **TRAF-2021-22** Director of Planning & Development Services, G. Munday - Agreement Renewal - Agreement Renewal - Niagara SPCA and Humane Society.
Ref. No. 06-156 (See By-law 3)



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- 9 - 13** **TRAF-2021-24** Director of Planning & Development Services, G. Munday - Update to Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000. Ref. No. 21-22 (See By-law 4)
- 14 - 26** **CLK-2021-16** City Clerk, T. Stephens - Eight (8) Wards and Eight (8) Councillors for the 2022 Municipal election. Ref. No. 20-78

3. NEW BUSINESS

- 27 - 28** 1. Carol Schofield, Manager Legislative Services/Clerk, Town of Fort Erie re: Province Investigating and Updating Source Water Protection Legislation. Ref. No. 21-94

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie dated April 27, 2021 regarding Province Investigating and Updating Source Water Protection Legislation.

- 29 - 32** 2. Amber LaPointe, City Clerk, City of Port Colborne re: Resolution - Federal Government Cannabis Consultation. Ref. No. 18-87

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information and supports the correspondence from the City of Port Colborne dated April 30, 2021 regarding Federal Government Cannabis Consultation.

- 33 - 34** 3. Julie Kirkelos, Town Clerk, Town of Lincoln re: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution regarding Climate Change Adaptation Plan and Crisis. Ref. No.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the correspondence from the Town of Lincoln dated May 5, 20201 regarding Climate Change Adaptation Plan and Crisis.



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4. BY-LAWS

MAY BE VIEWED IN THE CLERK'S DIVISION PRIOR TO THE MEETING IF DESIRED.

1. A By-law to establish Tax ratios and Tax Rates and to levy taxes for the 2021.
Ref. No. 21-4
(See Report FIN-2021-16)
2. A By-law to authorize purchase of a Backhoe Loader Unit from Brandt Tractor Ltd.
Ref. No. 21-46
(See Report FIN-2021-17)
3. A By-law to authorize entering into an Amending Agreement with the Niagara SPCA and Humane Society to provide animal control and municipal pound services within the City of Welland for the period from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2026; and to amend By-law 2013-157. Ref. No. 06-156
(See Report TRAF-2021-22)
4. A By-law to amend By-law 89-2000, being a By-law Regulating Traffic and Parking within the city of Welland (Schedule I). Ref. No. 21-22
(See Report TRAF-2021-24)

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT TO COUNCIL

On Tuesday, May 11, 2021, the General Committee met with the following members in attendance: Chair, M.A. Grimaldi, F. Campion, J. Chiochio, T. DiMarco, B. Fokkens, B. Green, J. Larouche, D. McLeod, A. Moote, C. Richard, G. Speck, and L. Van Vliet.

The General Committee recommends Council approval on the following matters:

PRESENTATIONS21-28

THAT GENERAL COMMITTEE receives for information the presentation by Corey Dutcher, Welland resident regarding founding of an Advisory Committee for the LGBTQ2S+ Community; and further

THAT Welland City Council refers this matter to staff for a report.

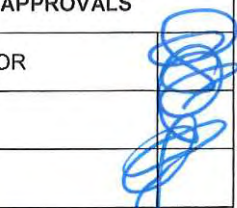
Respectfully submitted by



TARA STEPHENS
City Clerk

COUNCIL
CORPORATE SERVICES
FINANCE DIVISION

APPROVALS
DIRECTOR
CFO
CAO



REPORT FIN-2021-16
MAY 18, 2021

SUBJECT: 2021 FINAL TAX LEVY

**AUTHOR: MICHAEL LOSTRACCO,
REVENUE SERVICES MANAGER**

**APPROVING DIRECTOR: STEVE ZORBAS, CPA, CMA, B.Comm, DPA,
INTERIM CAO / DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES / CHIEF
FINANCIAL OFFICER / TREASURER**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND authorizes the due dates for the 2021 Final Municipal Tax Levy as follows:

- Third Installment due: July 2, 2021
- Fourth Installment due: September 1, 2021
- Final Installment for all non-residential properties: October 1, 2021

and further;

THAT Welland City Council approve the Tax Rates and Tax Ratios for the 2021 taxation year attached as Appendix I to Report FIN-2021-16; and further

THAT Welland City Council approve moving the tax due dates to the last business day of the previous month, as opposed to the first business day of the month, beginning with the 2022 Tax Year.

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

Not applicable.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

Council approved the Interim Tax Levy Bylaw # 2021-2 on January 12, 2021, as per Section 317 of *The Municipal Act, 2001*. Staff is now seeking approval for the 2021 Final Tax Levy.

Beginning with the 2022 Tax Year, staff is seeking approval to move the tax due dates to the last business day of the previous month as opposed to the first business day of the month. This would mean that the Residential due dates in 2022 would be February 28, April 29, June 30, and August 31. The rationale for changing the due dates is that with all institutions going on direct deposit and more and more people going on our PAP, this would simplify the banking process, and additionally it allows for the prompt, effective, and efficient collection of taxes.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Not applicable.

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

In order to meet the City's financial obligations, staff recommends that Council approves the final tax ratios and tax rates and to levy taxes for the year 2021 for the due dates specified.

ATTACHMENTS:


Appendix I – 2021 Tax Rates

Appendix I
2021 Tax Rates

<u>CLASS</u>	EDUCATION	REGION	REGION-WASTE	REGIONAL-TOTAL	CITY	TOTAL TAX RATE
Residential/New Multi-Res	0.00153000	0.00587571	0.00079307	0.00666878	0.00806183	0.01626061 RT, NT
Residential - Education	0.00153000					0.00153000 RD
Multi-Residential	0.00153000	0.01157515	0.00156235	0.01313750	0.01588180	0.03054930 MT
Commercial Small Scale on-Farm Business	0.00220000	0.01019377	0.00137590	0.01156967	0.01398646	0.02775613 C7
Commercial Occupied	0.00880000	0.01019377	0.00137590	0.01156967	0.01398646	0.03435613 CT, XT, DT, GT, ST, YT
Commercial Excess Land	0.00880000	0.00790017	0.00106632	0.00896649	0.01083951	0.02860600 CU, XU, DU, SU, YU
Commercial Vacant Land	0.00880000	0.00790017	0.00106632	0.00896649	0.01083951	0.02860600 CX
Industrial Occupied	0.00880000	0.01545312	0.00208577	0.01753889	0.02120260	0.04754149 IT
Industrial Excess Land	0.00880000	0.01197617	0.00161647	0.01359264	0.01643202	0.03882466 IU
Industrial Vacant Land	0.00880000	0.01197617	0.00161647	0.01359264	0.01643202	0.03882466 IX
Large Industrial Occupied	0.00880000	0.01545312	0.00208577	0.01753889	0.02120260	0.04754149 LT
Large Industrial Vacant Land	0.00880000	0.01197617	0.00161647	0.01359264	0.01643202	0.03882466 LU
Industrial (New Construction) Occupied	0.00880000	0.01545312	0.00208577	0.01753889	0.02120260	0.04754149 JT KT
Industrial (New Construction) Vacant	0.00880000	0.01197617	0.00161647	0.01359264	0.01643202	0.03882466 JU KU
Landfill	0.00880000	0.01727612	0.00233183	0.01960795	0.02370387	0.05211182 HT
Pipelines	0.00880000	0.01000105	0.00134988	0.01135093	0.01372203	0.03387296 PT
Farmlands	0.00038250	0.00146893	0.00019827	0.00166720	0.00201546	0.00406516 FT
Managed Forests	0.00038250	0.00146893	0.00019827	0.00166720	0.00201546	0.00406516 TT

Interim Due Dates Monday March 01, 2021
 Monday May 03, 2021
 Final Due Dates (Res) Friday July 02, 2021
 Wednesday September 01, 2021

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CORPORATE SERVICES
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DIRECTOR	
CFO	
CAO	

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REPORT FIN-2021-17
MAY 18, 2021

SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF ONE (1) BACKHOE LOADER UNIT

AUTHOR: ADAM BERES, MANAGER OF FLEET, EQUIPMENT & PURCHASING

**APPROVING DIRECTOR: STEVE ZORBAS, CPA, CMA, B.Comm, DPA,
 INTERIM CAO / DIRECTOR, CORPORATE SERVICES / CHIEF
 FINANCIAL OFFICER / TREASURER**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves the purchase of one (1) complete backhoe loader unit from Brandt Tractor Ltd. being the lowest priced offering that met specifications; and further;

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all necessary and appropriate By-laws to enter into a purchase contract with Brandt Tractor Ltd.

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

The purchase of one (1) backhoe loader unit received Council approval within the 2021 Water Fleet Capital Budget. This well-used unit utilized by the water department operators has accumulated a high amount of service hours and is scheduled for replacement.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

The City of Welland cooperatively bid this opportunity with the Township of West Lincoln and Niagara Region in effort to leverage pricing for the mutual needs. There were discount incentives available if like units were purchased, however each agency is free to decide on which offering was best for their need.

Cooperative bid documents for the replacement units were prepared as soon as individual agency specifications were available so qualified vendors may supply a bid response.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

A Request for Tender document was advertised on the City's Biddingo site and closed April 29, 2021. In total, there were three submissions, but only two of them met specifications for the City

of Welland requirements. Pricing below does not show discount incentive, as the outcome of the other agencies is unknown at the date this report was prepared.

Supplier	Budgeted Amount	Bid Amounts, inclusive of City tax & optional attachments
Brandt Tractor	\$197,000	\$173,473
Toromont Cat		\$187,136

Unit will be funded by the Fleet Capital Project: 10-910-21301

The replacement unit will offer increased versatility as additional attachments shall be purchased to assist with digging and material handling functionality. This means the unit will offer more productivity during daily work functions.

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

The specifications have been reviewed and approved by the shop fleet foreman and management staff at the Public Works facility. The other participating agencies will conduct their own internal review of specifications and make their independent equipment recommendations and subsequent award.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:


THAT Welland City Council approves the purchase of the new backhoe from Brandt Tractor Ltd. offering competitive pricing that is compliant with the provided bid specifications.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

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COUNCIL

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
TRAFFIC/PLANNING DIVISION

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GENERAL MANAGER	
CFO	
CAO	

06-156

REPORT TRAF-2021-22
MAY 18, 2021

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT RENEWAL – NIAGARA SPCA AND HUMANE SOCIETY

AUTHORS: ADAM BERES
MANAGER OF FLEET, EQUIPMENT & PURCHASING

MUHAMMAD ALI KHAN, M.A.Sc., P. ENG.
MANAGER, TRAFFIC, PARKING & BY-LAWS

APPROVING G.M.: GRANT MUNDAY, B.A.A., MCIP, RPP,
DIRECTOR OF PLANING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND renews an agreement with the Niagara SPCA and Humane Society (SPCA) for a period of five years commencing January 1, 2022 and expiring December 31, 2026; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to prepare all necessary and appropriate by-laws to enter into the updated Agreement with the Niagara SPCA and Humane Society.

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

The current Agreement with the Niagara SPCA and Humane Society expires December 31, 2021.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

For over fifty years, the Niagara SPCA and Humane Society (SPCA) has provided a range of services related to animal control and care in Welland and the surrounding areas. With respect to the City, the following is a brief summary of the current contractual services:

- Administration Services (licensing, admin costs, serving as "Poundkeeper");
- Inspection Services (general patrols, responding to complaints, inspections);

- Enforcement Services (conduct investigations, achieve compliance, expeditiously respond to complaints, feed and care of animals impounded)
- Prosecution and Court Services
- Other Services including Impoundment Services

Over the many years of service delivery to municipalities, the SPCA has also provided the following:

- Public education on the responsibilities of pet ownership and animal care;
- Dedicated Vet Technician and Veterinarian;
- Various off site adoption events;
- Vet clinic with low cost spay/neuter services and full veterinarian care.

Staff have been very satisfied with the services provided by the SPCA. The proposed contract renewal includes no cost increases except for the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI yearly increase will cover the rising cost of wages, fuel and operating expenses over the length of the contract

SCHEDULING:

This Agreement would commence January 1, 2022 and expire December 31, 2026.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The cost of this new contract will result in the following funds added to the Bylaws Operating Budget 540500 20-525-000 as followed:

Year	Approved Budgetary Amount
2021	\$259,344
2022	Increase equal to applicable annual CPI change
2023	Increase equal to applicable annual CPI change
2024	Increase equal to applicable annual CPI change
2025	Increase equal to applicable annual CPI change
2026	Increase equal to applicable annual CPI change

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

The City Solicitor shall review and recommend acceptance of the Agreement.


SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

The current Agreement with the SPCA expires December 31, 2021. The SPCA has provided a range of contractual services to the City of Welland as outlined in this report. Staff recommends the renewal of the Agreement, for an additional five-year term, which will then expire December 31, 2026.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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GENERAL MANAGER	<i>MM</i>
CFO	
CAO	

REPORT TRAF-2021-24
MAY 18, 2021

21-22

SUBJECT: UPDATE TO TRAFFIC AND PARKING BY-LAW 89-2000

AUTHOR: JAMES CRONSHAW, MLEO (C) C.P.S.O
SENIOR BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

APPROVING MANAGER: MUHAMMAD ALI KHAN, M.A.Sc., P. ENG.
MANAGER, TRAFFIC, PARKING & BY-LAWS

APPROVING G.M.: GRANT MUNDAY, B.A.A., MCIP, RPP
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND approves **REPORT TRAF-2021- 24** Update to Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000; and further

THAT Welland City Council directs the City Clerk to amend Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000 as follows:

ADD the following to Schedule "I" – MUNICIPAL/ PRIVATE PROPERTY:

SKETCH No.	LOCATION	COMMON NAME
No Sketch	60 King Street	60 King Street
No Sketch	547 Thorold Road	Vanguard Professional Centre

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

On this occasion, **SCHEDULE "I"** will be affected.

SCHEDULE "I" – Municipal/ Private Property

An amendment is required to include 60 King Street and 547 Thorold Road to the City of Welland Municipal/ Private Property Schedule of By-law 89-2000.

This will allow Parking Enforcement Officers to enter onto private lands at the request of the property owner to issue a penalty notice and/ or remove unauthorized vehicles.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

The proposed amendments to the Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000 are necessary to define the traffic and parking regulations on Municipal and Private Property within the City of Welland.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

As properties are added to the Municipal/ Private Property Schedule a slight increase to parking ticket revenue can be expected.

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

Legal Services and the Clerks Department would be required to update the By-laws with the changes noted in this report.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

The addition to the Municipal/ Private Property schedule is at the request of the property owner. Private property owners that are experiencing difficulties with illegally parked vehicles on their property can join the Traffic and Parking By-law as a solution. Once added to the by-law, Parking Enforcement Officers will be able to enter onto the private lands at the request of the property owner to enforce parking regulations.

Staff recommends the modifications as outlined in this report.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix I – Authorization Letter (60 King Street)
Appendix II – Authorization Letter (547 Thorold Road)



AUTHORIZATION LETTER
Parking Enforcement Unit as AGENTS

March 22, 2021
The Corporation of the City of Welland
60 East Main Street – City Hall
Welland, ON
L3B 3X4

Attention: James Cronshaw, MLEO(C)
Senior By-law Enforcement Officer

**Re: Authorization for Private Property Tagging and/or Towing 60 King Street,
Welland Ontario**

Gateway Residential & Community Support Services of Niagara Inc. are agents for the owners of Canal View Homes, 60 King Street, Welland Ontario and request the City of Welland to control unauthorized parking at the above noted address as per Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000.

The following person(s) have been designated with signing privileges:

1. Vaughan Coens - Operations Manager
2. Phil Mordern - Maintenance
3. Josie Grossi – Building Lead

A copy of this letter and identification will be produced each time a Parking Enforcement Officer arrives to enforce the offence of “Park on Private Property without the owners consent” or “Park on Private Property in contravention of Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000”. We understand that you require a “FORM 2” to be fully completed for each and every enforcement attendance by one of the above authorized person(s), who will call (905)735-1700 Ext. 2250 or 2113 for enforcement.

Signage is affixed to permanent post approximately 6’ high and are located on both sides of each entrance/exit of the property. The signs indicate:

Private Property
Unauthorized vehicles will be
Tagged and/or towed
At owner’s expense
City of Welland
By-law 89-2000

If further information is required, please call Vaughan Coens at 905-735-4445 ext. 104.

Sincerely,

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Vaughan Coens
Operation Manager

ANTONIO MANCUSO DDS

547 Thorold Rd. #2, Welland, ON, L3C 3W9

tmancuso@cogeco.ca

TEL 905-734-9901 FAX 905-734-9993

**AUTHORIZATION LETTER
Parking Enforcement Unit as AGENTS**

April, 23, 2021

The Corporation of the City of Welland
60 East Main Street – City Hall
Welland, ON
L3B 3X4

Attention: James Cronshaw, MLEO(C)
Senior By-law Enforcement Officer

**Re: Authorization for Private Property Tagging and/or Towing
*Vanguard Professional Centre 547 Thorold RD. Welland, L3C 3W9***

Vanguard Professional Centre are agents for the owners of ***547 Thorold Rd.*** and request the City of Welland to control unauthorized parking at the above noted address as per Traffic and Parking By-law 89-2000.

The following person(s) have been designated with signing privileges:

1. Welland Dental Care- Drs. Antonio and Sarah Mancuso, Co-owner
2. Optometry Center- Dr. Brian Rice Co-owner
3. Dr. Roman Lysiuk Co-owner

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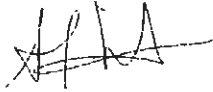
We understand that you require a "FORM 2" to be fully completed for each and every enforcement attendance by one of the above authorized person(s), who will call (905)735-1700 Ext. 2218 (or ext. 3000 after hours) for enforcement.

Permanent signage has been posted and is clearly visible. The signs indicate:

Private Property
Unauthorized vehicles will be
Tagged and/or towed
At owner's expense
City of Welland
By-law 89-2000

If further information is required, please call Dr. Antonio Mancuso at
905-734-9901 -Office 905-892-1690 -Home.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Antonio Mancuso Co-owner

COUNCIL
CORPORATE SERVICES
CLERKS DIVISION

APPROVALS	
DIRECTOR	
CFO	
CAO	

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REPORT CLK-2021-16
MAY 18, 2021

SUBJECT: COUNCIL COMPOSITION – EIGHT (8) WARDS AND EIGHT (8) COUNCILLORS FOR THE 2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

AUTHORS: TARA STEPHENS, CITY CLERK

**APPROVING G.M.: STEVE ZORBAS, CPA, CMA, B.Comm, DPA,
 INTERIM CAO / DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES, CHIEF
 FINANCIAL OFFICER / TREASURER**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND received for information report CLK-2021-16: Council Composition – Eight (8) Wards and Eight (8) Councillors for the 2022 Municipal Election; and further THAT Welland City Council approves increasing the number of wards to eight (8) and reducing the number of councillors to eight (8).

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

On June 16, 2020 council approved a motion requesting staff prepare a report regarding reducing the number of councillors to eight (8) and increasing the number of wards to eight (8) for the 2022 Municipal Election.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

On September 8, 2020 staff prepared a report for council consideration in relation to the ward and council boundaries. The purpose of the report was to identify the process for conducting a ward boundary review. This information was communicated to council to advise them of potential costs for a ward boundary review to be conducted.

Following the discussion at the September 8, 2020 meeting, council approved a motion directing staff to commence a public engagement survey to determine the optimal number of councillors and wards for Welland.

On October 21, 2020 a Welland Ward & Councillor survey was launched. On March 2, 2021, staff prepared a report which present the results of the Welland Ward and Council Review – Public Engagement Survey. CLK-2021-04 is included in "Appendix I".

Following the discussion at the March 2, 2021 Welland City Council meeting, council directed staff proceed with preparing a report for council consideration regarding increasing the number of wards to eight (8) and reducing the number of councillors to eight (8).

Increasing the number of wards

If council approves proceeding with increasing the number of wards to eight (8), the decision would need to be made by December 31, 2021. As per the *Municipal Act, 2001*, section 222 (8) states:

A by-law of a municipality described in this section comes into force on the day the new council of the municipality is organized following,

- (a) *the first regular election after the by-law is passed if the **by-law is passed before January 1 in the year of the regular election and,***
- (i) *no notices of appeal are filed,*
 - (ii) *notices of appeal are filed and are all withdrawn before January 1 in the year of the election, or*
 - (iii) *notices of appeal are filed and the Tribunal issues an order to affirm or amend the by-law before January 1 in the year of the election; or*

The proposed timeline to redivide and increase the number of wards would be as follows:

- **June 8, 2021** – a staff report will be included on the General Committee meeting agenda which will provide recommendations for potential ward boundaries for eight (8) wards.
- **June 16, 2021** – Staff to present a by-law for council consideration regarding the redividing and increase of the ward boundaries.
- **July 1, 2021** – The deadline for the municipality to give notice of the passing of the by-law to the public specifying the last date for filing a notice of appeal.
- **July 30, 2021** – The deadline for the Minister or any other persons or agency to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) by filing a notice of appeal with the municipality setting out the objections to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection.
- **August 13, 2021** – The deadline for the municipality to forward any notices of appeal to the Tribunal.

Following the August 13, 2021 deadline, if appeals are received they will be forwarded to the Tribunal. Staff cannot confirm on the timeline as to when the municipality would receive a decision by the Tribunal.

The City of Welland is expecting significant growth over the next 10 years. Some of that growth will be due to the Dain East Subdivision, Dain West Subdivision, Fusion Homes Subdivision, Canal Trail Subdivision; Hunter's Point Subdivision, South Village, North-West Urban Expansion Area, the Northern Reach, new accessory dwelling units in existing residential areas and a range of proposed medium and high density infill developments across the City. The expected growth in these areas will result in over 10,000 new residents based on known developments, building permit statistics and the City Population forecast to 2031.

Included in "Appendix II" of this staff report is an example of eight (8) ward boundaries for the City of Welland. The purpose of the example is to provide details regarding potential balancing the population per ward. The information provided below is based on 2016 population with assumed growth within the municipality in the next ten (10) years. As outlined in "Appendix II" the breakdown is as follows:

Ward	Population
1	8917
2	8983
3	8869
4	8858
5	8766
6	8837
7	8685
8	8712

The current wards and population, as per 2016 Census information are as follows:

Ward	Population
1	8121
2	8396
3	10165
4	8238
5	8151
6	9222

Reducing the number of councillors

The deadline for the municipal council to approve a by-law to amend the composition of council is December 31, 2021.

As per the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Section 217 (1):

Composition of council of local municipality

217 (1) Without limiting sections 9, 10 and 11, those sections authorize a local municipality to change the composition of its council subject to the following rules:

- 1. There shall be a minimum of five members, one of whom shall be the head of council.*
- 2. The members of council shall be elected in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.*
- 3. The head of council shall be elected by general vote.*
- 4. The members, other than the head of council, shall be elected by general vote or wards or by any combination of general vote and wards.*
- 5. The representation of a local municipality on the council of an upper-tier municipality shall not be affected by the by-law of the local municipality under this section. 2001, c. 25, s. 217 (1); 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 92 (1).*

Members of council raised concerns regarding the impact on the committees of council and council representation. If there was a reduction of the number of councillors it is staffs recommendation that a review of the membership for the advisory committees be conducted and presented to council for their consideration.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

None

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

This staff report has been prepared as requested by Welland City Council.

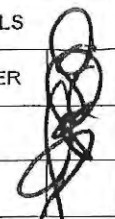
ATTACHMENT:

APPENDIX I – CLK-2021-04: Results – Welland Ward and Council review – Public Engagement Survey.

APPENDIX II – Example of eight (8) wards map based on expected growth by 2031.

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REPORT CLK-2021-04
FEBRUARY 16, 2021

SUBJECT: RESULTS – WELLAND WARD AND COUNCIL REVIEW -
PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SURVEY

AUTHORS: TARA STEPHENS, CITY CLERK

APPROVING G.M.: STEVE ZORBAS, CPA, CMA, B.Comm, DPA,
INTERIM CAO / GENERAL MANAGER, CORPORATE
SERVICES, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER / TREASURER

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information staff report CLK-2021-04: Results – Welland Ward and Council Review - Public Engagement Survey.

ORIGIN AND BACKGROUND:

On June 16, 2020, council approved a motion requesting staff to prepare a report regarding reducing the number of councillors to eight (8) and increasing the number of wards to eight (8) for the 2022 municipal election. In addition, council requested the process include an engagement survey for residents, business owners and community partners.

On September 8, 2020, report CLK-2020-19: Council Composition & Ward Boundaries was presented to council. The report identified information regarding council composition and the process for conducting a ward boundary review. Following the discussion on the matter, council approved a motion directing staff to commence a public engagement process to determine the optimal number of councillors and wards for Welland.

COMMENTS AND ANALYSIS:

On October 21, 2020, the Welland Wards & Councillors Review survey was launched on YourChannel. In addition to the online survey, participants had the option to call in their input related to the survey. The engagement survey ended on November 30, 2020.

Residents, business owners and community partners were encouraged to participate in the survey and attend in the public meetings.

Advertisements for the engagement survey were published on the following platforms:

- City of Welland Website.
- Social Media – Facebook and Twitter.
- Civic Corner.
- LED Screen at the Civic Square.
- Welland Community Wellness Complex.
- Giant FM.
- Brochures included in Welland Hydro bills in November 2020.

The public engagement survey requested participants complete the following questions:

1. What Welland ward do you live in?

- Ward 1 Ward 2 Ward 3
 Ward 4 Ward 5 Ward 6
 Unknown

2. The City of Welland is divided into six (6) wards, are you satisfied with the current number?

- Yes No
___ If no, how many wards would you prefer?

3. The City of Welland Council consists of the mayor and 12 councillors. Are you satisfied with the current number of councillors?

- Yes No
___ If no, how many councillors would you prefer?

4. Welland City Council is comprised of 12 councillors. There are two (2) councillors per ward. Are you satisfied with having two (2) councillors per ward?

- Yes No
___ If no, how many councillors would you prefer to have per ward?

The questions included permitted the participant to provide their own input on the composition of council and the number of wards within the municipality.

The Results

Public Meetings

Two (2) public meetings were held on November 5 and November 19, 2020. On November 5, 2020 there were 10 individual in attendance, 6 of those individuals

participated in the discussion. On November 19, 2020 there were 9 individuals in attendance, 3 of those individuals participated in the discussion.

YourChannel Submissions

802 participants completed the engagement survey through YourChannel. (See appendix I). A summary of the survey results are as follows:

Question 1 – What Welland Ward do you live in?

Option	Total Responses
Ward 1	129
Ward 2	174
Ward 3	144
Ward 4	128
Ward 5	113
Ward 6	92
Unknown	22

Question 2 – The City of Welland is divided into six (6) wards, are you satisfied with the current number?

Option	Total Responses
Yes	575
No	227

Question 3 – How many wards would you prefer to have in the City of Welland?

# of Wards/Comments	Total Responses
One City Wide/At Large/Eliminate Wards	38
2	4
3	24
4	61
5	12
6	17
7	2
8	40
9	2
10	2
12	3
3 – 4	3
4 or 5 is max	2
8 or 9	1
The Number needs to expand with developments	1
Growing City – 1 – 2 Additional Wards Justified	1

Divide Cooks Mill More Please	1
There are to many council members	1
Create more wards to balance city	1
0. We don't need a ward system. Or 3 max	1
Realigned by population forecast and commonality	1
Should increase to 7 or 8 as city expands	1
I would like more wards, less councillors	1
At least 1 more, Ward 4 is massive geographically	1
3.6 is two many for the population	1
No more than 4	1
Downtown own ward. Ward 2 and remaining ward 3 as 1	1
Divide to represent equal border area to tax payer	1
It should reflect the expansion of new homes	1
6 plus 1 at large	1

Question 4 – The City of Welland Council consists of the Mayor and 12 members of council. Are you satisfied with the current number of councillors?

Option	Total Responses
Yes	311
No	491

Question 5 – How many councilors would you prefer to have in the City of Welland?

# of Councillors	Total Responses
0	2
1	3
2	3
3	1
4	22
5	3
6	276
7	5
8	62
9	1
9. Wards 1, 2, 3 are small and don't require 2	1
10	6
11	1

14	1
One per ward	37
3-4	1
Less than what we have now	1
Sixteen, two in each of eight wards	1
1-2 Additional wards = 2 – 4 additional councillors	1
Numbers should increase with development	1
Pending readjustment of current ward area distribu	1
I think Welland should not have a city council	1
Smaller wards 1 reps, larger wards 2 reps	1
Max 8 council with 4 wards...currently overkill	1
8 councillors, 2 for each ward of my proposal	1
Reduce to 4 wards. Redefine ward boundaries	1
1/ward or redesign the wards perhaps up to 8-9	1
10 max. Split ward 5	1
8, for 8 wards or (preferably) at large	1
Add one permanent fluently bilingual councillor	1
4 to 6	3
24	1
6 to 8 councillors at large	2
2 councillors making Welland one ward amalgamation	1
8 to 10/8 or 10	2
Maximum 6 and 1 mayor	1
6 to 8, recent 48% stipend increase unacceptable	6
6 to 8	5
Why do we need two councillors per ward	1
Less councillors would be more effective	1
Maximum 8	1
4 wards, 2 councillors 8 total, 33% in savings	1
6 to 8 at the most	1
Mayor, 4 city by ward, 2 dual at large	1
1 Mayor 24 Councillors	1
20	1
6 – 12 is waste of taxpayers money	1

At the wages they earn 2 should handle the city	1
6 with an alternate for each ward	1
4 or 5 total	1
1 for every 10K residents	1
5 + 1 mayor	2
8 only...too much \$ is spent on salaries	1
6 t 8 some need to with size (population) if	1
R3duce the number of municipalities to one or thr	1
Too many for the population of Welland	2
6 Add support staff to assist the councillors	1
Less than two per ward	1
4 councillors max. until population exceeds 80,000	1
I like the idea of more wards with one rep each	1
9 ,,quantity of councillors is not in best interest	1
Less, costly to city, I see no changes in Welland	1
Too much bureaucracy	1
6 or 7 members, some are there to collect their mo	1
Six and possibly one spare floater who can assist	1

Question 6 – Welland City Council is comprised of 12 councillors. There are two (2) councillors per ward. Are you satisfied with having two (2) councillors per ward?

Option	Total Responses
Yes	334
No	470

Question 7 – How many councillors would you prefer to have per ward?

# of Councillors	Total Responses
0	3
1	379
2	4
3	2
4	2
6	21

8	2
9	2
10	1
1 – 2	1
1 or 0	1
0 at large	8
1-8 wards, 2 – 4 wards	1
1 for small, 2 for larger	3
If 8 wards, one per	1
1 ½ per ward/ 4 wards	1
One Niagara City	1
1 per ward, serve 5,000 homes	1
Not specific councillors	1
1 but prefer 8 at large	1
0, no ward system, 1 at most	1
2 for Welland Amalgamation	1
two per ward, three wards	1
Less than 1 per ward	1
1 per 8 wards or 2 per 4 wards	1
6 – 8 in total for the city	1
One and 3 wards	1
Total 6 councillors at large	4
0 wards. Elect the best 12	1
2 or more	1
If reduced to 4 wards 8 councillors	1
1 with emergency alternate	1
No wards; but 1	1
6 at large for city	1
One, but incr # of wards to 8	1
2 time 3 wards, or one time 6	1
4 wards, 1 per ward	2
One, Toronto, Mississauga	1
1 maybe 2 in some larger wards	1
Six total no wards, NF has 8	1
1 per quarter of the city	1
Less than 2	1
2 for 3 wards	1
1 at most. Population is small	1
See answer 4 & 5	1
1 Councillor with 8 wards	1
6 plus 1 at large	1

Voicemail Submissions

There were 53 participants completed the engagement survey through our voicemail system. (See appendix II).

Additional Responses

Staff received two additional responses through the mail. (See appendix III).

Cost

The cost to conduct the public engagement survey was \$5,450.00. This was funded through the 2020 Corporate Contingency Account. These funds were used for radio and civic corner advertisements, and brochures that were included in the Welland Hydro mailout.

Next Steps

The direction from council on September 8, 2020 was for staff to commence a public engagement process to determine the optimal number of councillors and wards for Welland. Residents, business owners, and community partners have provided input regarding the composition of council and the number of wards for the municipality.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT IMPLICATIONS:

CLT has reviewed and support the recommendation.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

This staff report has been prepared to provide the results of the public engagement survey which was conducted by staff in relation to a Welland Ward and Councillor Review.

ATTACHMENT:

Appendix I – Council and Ward System Satisfaction Survey – Survey Response Report.

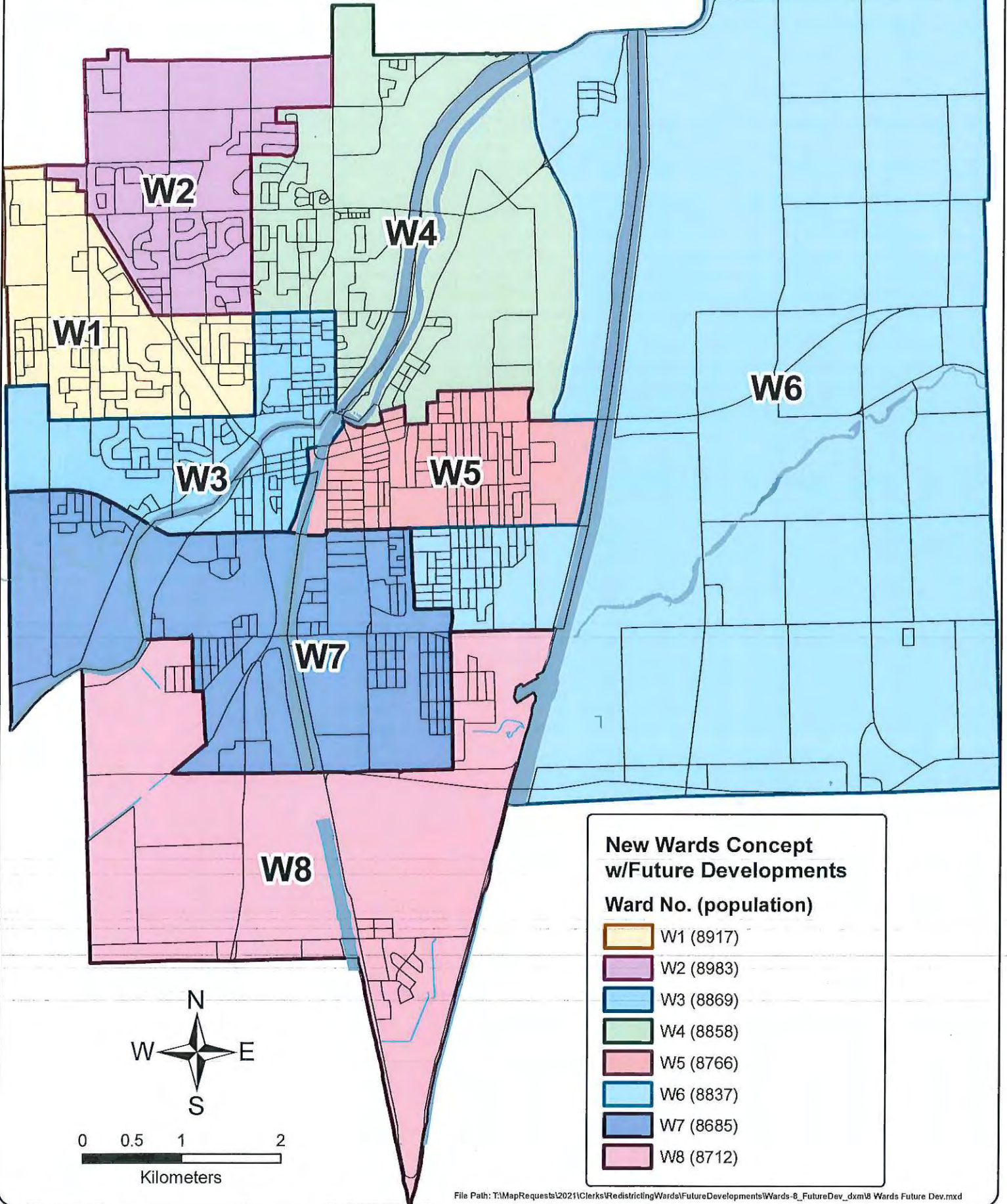
Appendix II – Voicemail Submissions.

Appendix III – Additional Responses.



The Corporation of
The City of Welland

*Based on expected
growth by 2031





Community Services

Legislative Services

April 27, 2021

File #120203

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
 Legislative Building
 Queen's Park
 Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Honourable and Dear Sir:

Re: Province Investigating and Updating Source Water Protection Legislation

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of April 26, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed a resolution on October 21st, 2019 identifying that 1,100 private water wells were in operation in the Town of Fort Erie, of which 75% were used for domestic purposes including human and livestock consumption, and

Whereas the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie further identified in that resolution that Council requires the protection of water in the aquifer supplying water to those wells from contamination as the result of any remediation of Pit One owned by the Port Colborne Quarries in the City of Port Colborne, and further

Whereas Report No. PDS-23-2021, approved by Council on March 22, 2021, identified that while the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, The Regional Municipality of Niagara and Local Area Municipalities work together to protect source water, these plans do not generally apply to private servicing, and

Whereas Report No. PDS-23-2021 further identified efforts undertaken by the Town of Fort Erie through available provincial planning policy, regulation and legislation to protect source water within the Town of Fort Erie without any explicit ability to designate source water protection for private services, and

Whereas on July 28, 2010, through Resolution 64/292, the United Nations General Assembly explicitly recognized the human right to water and sanitation and acknowledged that clean drinking water and sanitation are essential to the realization of all human rights, and

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Whereas it would be desirable to ensure that those in our community who rely on wells and other private servicing for clean drinking water are afforded the same source water protection as municipal drinking water systems;

Now therefore it be resolved,

That: The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie recognizes and acknowledges that clean drinking water and sanitation are basic human rights and essential to the realization of all human rights, and further

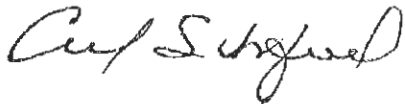
That: The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie requests that the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks consider legislative changes that would permit the expansion of source water protection to aquifers and private services, and further

That: This resolution be circulated to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Wayne Gates, MPP Niagara Falls, Jeff Burch, MPP Niagara Centre, Jennifer Stevens, MPP St. Catharines and Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West, and further

That: This resolution be circulated to all Conservation Authorities and Municipalities in Ontario for their endorsement and support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



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The Honourable Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks jeff.yurekco@pc.ola.org

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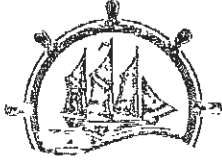
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April 30, 2021

Regulatory Affairs
Strategic Policy, Cannabis
Controlled Substances and Cannabis Branch
Health Canada

Sent via E-mail: cannabis.consultation@canada.ca

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Resolution – Federal Government Cannabis Consultation

Please be advised that, at its meeting of April 26, 2021, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

THAT WHEREAS the Government of Canada introduced Bill C-45 (the Cannabis Act) to create the foundation for a comprehensive national framework to provide restricted access to regulated cannabis, and to control its production, distribution, sale, importation, exportation, and possession;

AND WHEREAS unlicensed and unmonitored cannabis grow operations have increasingly become a problem in communities in Ontario as well as across the Country;

AND WHEREAS these operations are allowed to establish with little or no consultation with the local community and municipalities are often only made aware of their existence after conflicts arise with neighboring land owners;

AND WHEREAS there is no direct communication or dedicated effort to provide a communication channel between Municipal government staff or Police Agencies for dealing with Health Canada Registrations and Licenses;

AND WHEREAS the City of Port Colborne has not been consulted by Health Canada prior to the issuance of licenses for properties not in compliance with municipal zoning by-laws;

AND WHEREAS loopholes in existing Federal legislation allow these large scale grow op's to establish and operate without any of the regulations or protocols that licensed and monitored operations need to adhere to;

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AND WHEREAS the police have not been given lawful authority to lay charges under the Cannabis Act to appropriately respond to violations of Health Canada Registrations and Licenses;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Port Colborne urges the Federal Government and Health Canada to amend the legislation under which these facilities operate to ensure the safety and rights of the local communities in which they are situated are respected;

Limit the authorization to produce cannabis plants for personal medicinal use to the maximum daily quantity as prescribed by a professional medical practitioner to members of the immediate family living in the same residence;

Prohibit the ability for an individual to designate the growing and processing of medical cannabis plants and cannabis products by another individual on their behalf unless that individual is a member of the immediate family and resides in the same residence;

That medical marijuana be added to the approved drug list so that it be a covered cost under OHIP;

Issue one license to the property where the growing of medical cannabis for personal purposes is to be permitted;

Require Federal Licenses and Registrations for Designated Growers to conform with local zoning and control by-laws. Make it mandatory as part of the registration that the applicant provide a signed and dated declaration from the local municipality providing consent to the production and quantity of cannabis plants and products prior to approval of a licence to grow medical cannabis plants for personal consumption;

Ensure local authorities are provided with notification of any licence issuance, amendment, suspension, reinstatement or revocation within their region;

Provide dedicated communication with local governments and Police services;

Provide lawful authority to Police agencies to lay charges when registered or licences operations grow in excess of their registration or licence through Health Canada; and,

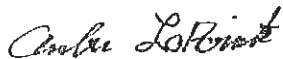
Provide enforcement support and guidance to local municipalities for dealing with land use complaints relating to Cannabis.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Port Colborne forward this motion to the following;

cannabis.consultation@canada.ca
 The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness
 The Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of
 Canada
 MP Dean Allison, Niagara West
 MP Chris Bittle, St. Catharines
 MP Tony Baldinelli, Niagara Falls
 MP Vance Badawey, Niagara Centre
 President Micki Ruth, Canadian Association of Police Governance
 Chief of Police Bryan Larkin, President, Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police
 The Honourable Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
 The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General
 The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of the Solicitor General
 MPP Sam Oosterhoff, Niagara West
 MPP Jennie Stevens, St. Catharines
 MPP Wayne Gates, Niagara Falls
 MPP Jeff Burch, Niagara Centre
 Chair Patrick Weaver, Ontario Association of Police Services Boards
 Chief of Police Paul Pedersen, President, Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police
 Regional Chair Jim Bradley and Members of Council, Niagara Region
 Mayor Dave Bylsma and Members of Council, Town of West Lincoln
 Mayor Frank Champion and Members of Council, City of Welland
 Mayor Jim Diodati and Members of Council, City of Niagara Falls
 Mayor Betty Disero and Members of Council, Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
 Mayor Sandra Easton and Members of Council, Town of Lincoln
 Mayor Kevin Gibson and Members of Council, Township of Wainfleet
 Mayor Jeff Jordan and Members of Council, Town of Grimsby
 Mayor Marvin Junkin and Members of Council, Town of Pelham
 Mayor Wayne Redekop and Members of Council, Town of Fort Erie
 Mayor Walter Sendzik and Members of Council, City of St Catharines
 Mayor Bill Steele and Members of Council, City of Port Colborne
 Mayor Terry Ugulini and Members of Council, City of Thorold
 Board Members, Niagara Police Services Board

Your favourable consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,



Amber LaPointe
 City Clerk

ec: The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness
The Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of
Canada
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Mayor Jeff Jordan and Members of Council, Town of Grimsby
Mayor Marvin Junkin and Members of Council, Town of Pelham
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May 5, 2021

Sent via email:
 Local Area Municipalities

Re: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution regarding Climate Change Adaptation Plan and Crisis

Please be advised that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Special Council Meeting held on April 19, 2021 passed the following motion:

Moved by: Councillor J.D. Pachereva; Seconded by: Councillor Greg Reimer;

WHEREAS climate change is already having an impact on global economies, communities, and the built and natural environments; and

WHEREAS climate change remains the most significant global threat to the quality of life and security – for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS the most recent report by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has indicated that within 10 years, to keep the global average temperature increase to 1.5 degree C and maintain a climate compatible with human civilization, there must be a reduction in carbon emissions of about 45% from 2010 levels, reaching net zero carbon emissions by 2050; and

WHEREAS bold and collective action at global, national and community levels is required to effect change, build resilience, mitigate future threats and ensure a prosperous future for generations to come; and

WHEREAS the Town of Lincoln understands that climate action and a low carbon transition also represents an opportunity for economic stimulation and job development opportunities in a new low carbon economy; and

WHEREAS on July 22, 2019 Council of the Town of Lincoln passed a resolution supporting the development of a Corporate Climate Adaptation Plan; and

WHEREAS on March 29, 2021 Council adopted the Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Lincoln immediately declare a Climate Crisis and for the purposes of recognizing the urgent need to take action to mitigate the effects of climate change and to deepen the Town's commitment to protecting its economy, ecosystems, and community from climate change; and

1. THAT the Town of Lincoln, officially declare a climate crisis for the purposes of joining a national and international movement consisting of a growing list of 509 municipalities in Canada and 1918 municipalities in 34 countries; and
2. THAT our CAO and staff be directed to work with other Local Area Municipalities and across Ontario to make our climate change initiatives permanent; and
3. THAT Council acknowledges that the climate change crisis poses a real serious threat and comprehensive changes and investments will be required to adapt to the impacts of climate change, mitigate climate risk, and prepare for our climate future.

CARRIED

Regards,

Julie Kirkelos
Town Clerk
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JK/dk

cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Local Area Municipalities

Background Material

To

Council Members'

Agenda

Welland Public Library

*Discover the past.
Connect with the present.
Imagine the future!*



Update Presentation to
Welland City Council

May 18, 2021

Agenda

- 1 Main Branch Renovations
- 2 Libraries in Niagara Cooperative (Linc)
- 3 New Programs, Services & Collections
- 4 Anniversary Celebrations

WPL



Main Branch Renovations



Main Branch: Before



Aging roll carpet was 4 years past its lifespan



Staff office spaces did not reflect organizational structure



Poor visibility for both patrons and employees



Inefficient storage and under-utilized space

Main Branch: After



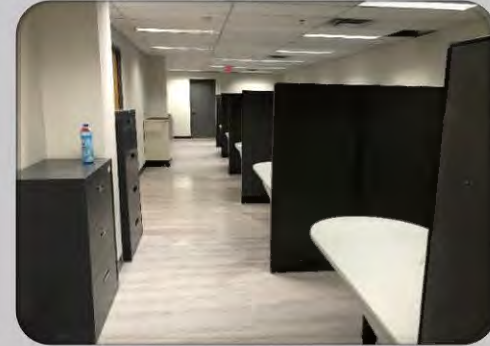
Improved
visibility and
customer
experience



New modular
carpet tile
installed
throughout the
public space



Storage
consolidated to
improve access
and workflow



Offices added
for Managers
Employees
aligned by
department

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Libraries in Niagara Cooperative (Linc)



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Libraries in Niagara Cooperative

Libraries in Niagara Cooperative (Linc)

Linc Borrowing

- Began January 2021
- 900+ items borrowed monthly for WPL patrons



Linc Lending

- Began January 2021
- 1,250+ items lent monthly to participating libraries



WPL

New Programs, Services & Collections



New Programs & Services



Contactless Pickup



Seed Kits



Online Registration



Mask Distribution



Children's Activity Kits



Adult Craft Kits

Expanded Digital Resources



WPL Cares 2 Connect



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Anniversary Celebrations

- WPL celebrates 100 years of incorporation in 2021/2022
- The Welland Public Library has been serving the Welland community since 1824 and will celebrate its 200th year of operation in 2024



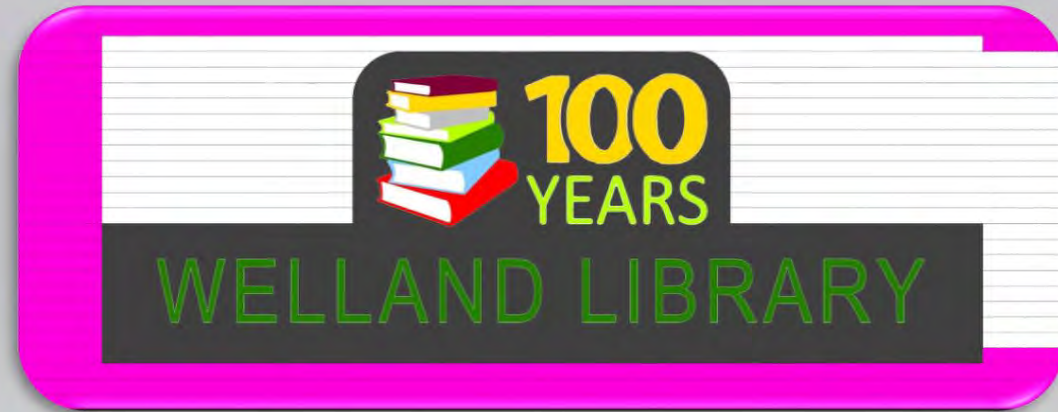
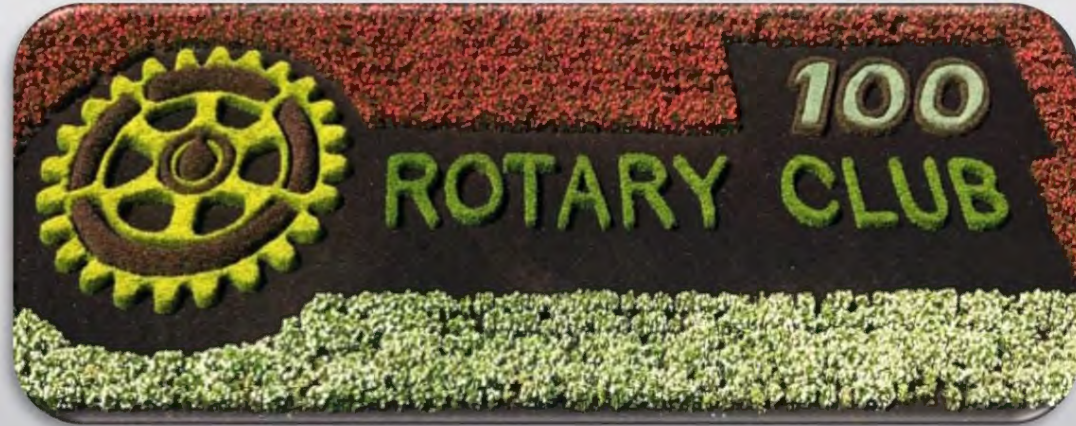
WELLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY 100TH YEAR MURAL MOSAIC PROJECT





Mosaic Mural

Upcoming Initiatives



A few words from our patrons ...

“Way to go WPL staff!
This community building is
so incredibly touching,
especially in times like
these.”

Lea S.

“[The curbside pickup program]
was a tremendous help to me
personally, and, I am sure many
others, in alleviating boredom
and feelings of isolation.”

Brenda M.

“Grab and go kits!
Kids love them.
Thank you for keep
them entertained.”

Navi J.

Yay! I’m excited!
I love seeing all the
creative opportunities
you are making.


Anna B.

“I can’t wait to bring my
kids to see their tiles as part
of the mural up close!! It
looks great! 😊 😊

Colleen M.

Love this idea! Thanks
for the seeds. Can’t
wait to plant.

Melissa D.

A close-up, vertical view of the spines of several books in a library. The books are arranged in a row, and the text on the spines is partially visible, including words like 'it', 'w.', 'he', 'first', 'legal', 'y he', 'th.', 'ing', 'pen', 'said', 'pare', 'ing', 'ttle', and 'me'.

Thank you for
your ongoing
and generous
support!

*“Libraries have a transformative effect on the
country as a whole” – Dan Rather*