

APPROVAL REPORT

The Business Licence Bylaw, 2021

ISSUE

This report submits Bylaw No. 9746, *The Business Licence Bylaw, 2021* (the “Bylaw”) and Bylaw No. 9749, *The Bicycle Amendment Bylaw, 2021* for City Council’s consideration. These bylaws implement City Council’s decision to consolidate and update *The Business License Bylaw, 2002* and *The License Bylaw*.

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council consider Bylaw No. 9746, *The Business Licence Bylaw, 2021* and Bylaw No. 9749, *The Bicycle Amendment Bylaw, 2021*.

BACKGROUND

At its [February 23, 2015 Regular Business Meeting](#), City Council resolved:

1. That the proposed amendments to Business License Bylaw, 2002 Bylaw No. 8075, as outlined in the report of the General Manager, Community Services, dated February 9, 2015, be approved; and
2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the necessary bylaws to address the proposed amendments to Business License Bylaw, 2002, Bylaw No. 8075 for consideration by City Council, and to address the repealing of License Bylaw No. 6066.

At its [August 26, 2019 Regular Business Meeting](#), City Council passed Bylaw No. 9590, *The Business License Amendment Bylaw, 2019*, amending *The Business License Bylaw, 2002* to reflect the new corporate structure and gender neutral language.

At its [July 27, 2020 Regular Business Meeting](#), City Council passed Bylaw No. 9705, *The Bicycle Bylaw, 2020* to replace Bylaw No. 6884, *The Bicycle Bylaw*.

At its [August 31, 2020 Public Hearing Meeting](#), City Council passed Bylaw No. 9684, *The Business License Amendment Bylaw, 2020*, amending *The Business License Bylaw, 2002* to provide for short-term rental accommodations.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

Although the 2015 resolution requested amendments to the existing *Business License Bylaw, 2002*, it was determined that a new bylaw would be preferable given the consolidation of two bylaws and the desire to reflect best practices and streamline administration.

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In addition to the requested amendments, the format of the Bylaw has been modernized and several additional housekeeping amendments have been made. These include adding cannabis production facilities and cannabis retail stores to the list of businesses that are exempted from the application of the Bylaw (because they are licensed under *The Cannabis Business Licence Bylaw, 2018*), and modernizing the offences and penalties sections. The procedure for unclaimed bicycles that is being moved from *The License Bylaw* to *The Bicycle Bylaw, 2020* has been amended to match current Saskatoon Police Service practice.

In accordance with City Council's instruction, we are pleased to submit Bylaw No. 9746, *The Business Licence Bylaw, 2021* and Bylaw No. 9749, *The Bicycle Amendment Bylaw, 2021* for City Council's consideration.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The following public notice for the Bylaw has been given:

- Advertised in *The Star Phoenix* on February 13, 2021
- Posted on the City's website at www.saskatoon.ca on February 11, 2021

APPENDIX

1. Proposed Bylaw No. 9746, *The Business Licence Bylaw, 2021*.
2. Proposed Bylaw No. 9749, *The Bicycle Amendment Bylaw, 2021*.

Report Approval

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