



Council Report

Report Number: FIRE2021-003

Meeting Date: May 18, 2021

Title: **Amendment to Bylaw 2007-236 Sale and Setting Off of Fireworks**

Author and Title: Mark Pankhurst, Fire Chief

Recommendation(s):

That Report FIRE2021-003, **Amendment to Bylaw 2007-236 Sale and Setting off of Fireworks Bylaw**, be received;

That a By-law, substantially in the form attached as Appendix A to Report FIRE2021-003 be approved for adoption by Council.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

At the Council Meeting of September 15, 2020 Council adopted the following resolution:

CR2020-263

Moved By Councillor Elmslie

Seconded By Councillor Yeo

That staff bring forward a By-Law to restrict the times of discharge of consumer fireworks to between dusk and 11 pm:

1. Victoria Day, including the day preceding and following Victoria Day
2. Canada Day, including the day preceding and following Canada Day
3. Family Day, including the day preceding and following Family Day
4. Aboriginal Day, including the day preceding and following Aboriginal Day
5. Labour Day, including the day preceding and following Labour Day
6. New Years Eve, including the day preceding and following New Years

Eve; and

That the By-Law include a special event permitting process, a Registry for the publication of the date and location of permitted events and a provision for penalties and fines to be imposed for contravention of the By-Law.

This report addresses that direction.

Rationale:

The amended bylaw attached as Appendix A includes the restricted times for discharging consumer fireworks as per the resolution. Section 6.01 of the bylaw permits discharge of consumer fireworks, without a permit, only on the days and times listed above. Any other discharge of consumer fireworks outside of these days for special events will require a fireworks permit.

Fire Service staff are working with the GIS Division to develop a map for public use that integrates with the permit system. The map will enable the public to view dates and locations of fireworks events that permits have been issued for.

Other Alternatives Considered:

No other alternatives were considered

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

The recommendation aligns with the following strategic priorities:

A Vibrant and Growing Economy

Recommendations in this report will support effective Fire Service operations and service delivery.

An Excellent Quality of Life

Recommendations in this report will support efficient delivery of Fire Service operations and assists the general well-being and overall health and safety of residents and visitors to the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

This report and bylaw has an operational impact on Municipal Law Enforcement for enforcement of the bylaw and they were included in consultation.

Consultations:

Manager of Municipal Law Enforcement

Attachments:

Appendix A – Bylaw 2007-236 Sale and Setting of Fireworks



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Appendix A Update

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