



Committee of the Whole Report

Report Number: WM2021-015
Meeting Date: November 2, 2021
Title: Waste Management By-law 2016-144 Amendment
Description: An update to the Waste Management By-law
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Recommendation(s):

That Report WM2021-015, Waste Management By-law 2016-144 Amendment, be received;

That the proposed amendments to By-law 2016-144, attached as Appendix A to Report WM2021-015, be approved; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

Staff have reviewed By-law 2016-144 A By-law for Collection and Management of Waste and Recyclables Within the City of Kawartha Lakes, and recommend amending the By-law to update it. These changes will ensure operations are more clear and efficient. All changes are visible through tracked changes in the amended By-law, attached as Appendix A of this report.

Rationale:

In summary, staff are recommending the following By-law changes:

- Updating wording throughout the By-law to ensure consistency with current programs, regulations and wording used on the City's website.
- Clarifying that two bags of waste are permitted 'per unit' for each curbside collection. This is not a change in current service levels.
- Clarifying the waste/recycling containment sizes to be consistent with containers used throughout the municipality.
- Updating the wording for residential waste storage bins, to ensure consistency with other department requirements.
- Outlining the specifications for fibres (i.e. paper and cardboard) set out, as posted on the City's website and waste/recycling calendar.
- Adding risk management wording to address users/owners who enter landfill sites to do so at their own risk in order to minimize claims and reduce insurance premiums.
- Adding wording to address requirements for private waste collection bins, to reduce illegal dumping concerns that have been encountered surrounding some of these bins.
- Adding wording to address the replacement of damaged bins/carts. Currently, there are many types of alternative bins residents utilize for waste/recycling set out, as is permitted in the By-law. This additional wording will just clarify that only recycling bins/carts will be replaced if damaged, to avoid concerns raised about replacing homemade bins/bins of varying costs.

Other Alternatives Considered:

Council could decide to not proceed with these any/all of these changes, however it is not recommended as these will help to clarify outdated and missing information.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

This report follows the Strategic Priority of Good Government, more specifically increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

The recommended changes will not have any financial impact to the municipality.

Consultations:

Manager, Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing

Manager, Roads Operations

Insurance Risk Management Officer

City Solicitor

Attachments:

Appendix A – By-law 2016-144 Amendments



Appendix A By-law
2016-144 Amendment

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