

Stratford Town Crier

Town Crier, January 15, 2022

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

COVID-19 IMPACT TO CITY SERVICES AND FACILITIES UPDATE

In keeping with recent guidance from the Province of Ontario, the City of Stratford has implemented the following changes to help limit the spread of COVID-19:

- City administrative offices will be open by appointment only
- Services will continue to be provided by telephone and online where possible
- City recreational facilities, including the Rotary Complex, Agriplex, Allman Arena and Dufferin Arena, are closed to the public
- To purchase affordable bus passes or garbage bag tags, please contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5237. Your order will then be delivered the following business day.
- There are no changes at this time to transit, landfill, waste and recycling collection services
- Civil ceremony services have been suspended until further notice

Questions can be directed to the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5237, and an intercom system is also available at City Hall, the Annex Building at 82 Erie Street and the Cemetery office.

Please visit www.stratford.ca for more information about our programs and services.

2022 BUDGET MEETINGS

The Finance and Labour Relations Committee will meet on the following dates and times to formulate recommendations to City Council regarding the 2022 budget.

Date	Time	
January 17, 2022	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
January 25, 2022	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
January 31, 2022	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation

The meetings will be held electronically. To watch the meeting while in progress, please click the link that will be available on the agenda.

Agendas and minutes of the meeting will be posted as available to the City website under the Council Calendar at <https://calendar.stratford.ca/meetings>.

If you have any questions regarding the 2022 budget process, please contact us by phone at 519-271-0250 Extension 5202, or by email at wpartridge@stratford.ca.

2022 PET TAGS

All dogs and cats in Stratford are required to wear a registration tag at all times. Dog and cat tag registrations expire each year on December 31 and are renewed annually to ensure your pet's information is up to date.

2022 pet tags are now available and can be purchased from the following locations:

- Stratford-Perth Humane Society, 125 Griffith Road
- Clerks Office, City Hall 1 Wellington Street
- Ruffin's Pet Centre Stratford Mall, 1067 Ontario Street
- Global Pet Foods, 684 Ontario Street
- Coventry Animal Hospital, 535 Huron Street
- Avon Pet Hospital, 345 Douro Street
- Perth Veterinary Services, 80 Lorne Avenue West

Please note that City Hall is currently closed to the public due to COVID-19 restrictions. Paperwork can be completed over the phone and a tag mailed out or picked up at the back doors. Call our office to complete the paperwork and make payment with a credit card, 519-271-0250 extension 5237.

Thank you for being a responsible pet owner and obtaining a 2022 pet tag.

2022 BUSINESS LICENCES

Stratford business licences expire annually on December 31st and applications are now being accepted for 2022. The City of Stratford licenses certain businesses providing goods or services in the City. Licences are issued in order to regulate businesses, ensure compliance with land use and building regulations and for consumer protection. Being granted a City of Stratford business licence does not relieve the applicant from complying with all Municipal By-laws and/or with Provincial or Federal legislation.

The Clerk's Office of the Corporate Services Department issues licences for the following types of businesses: adult entertainment, auctioneers, body piercing, body rub, circus, old gold, precious metals and old jewellery sales, outdoor cafes on municipal property, refreshment vehicles, mobile food vendors, bicycle ice cream vehicles, hawkers and pedlars, flea markets, craft/antique/trade shows, transient traders, door to door sales, tattoo parlours and pawn shops.

For more information, contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5237. Applications and fees may be submitted in the drop-box located at the back of City Hall or by mail to the Clerk's Office. Check the City's website at www.stratford.ca for more information and for application forms.

ANNE HATHAWAY DAYCARE – LICENSED CHILDCARE SPACES FOR CHILDREN 18 MONTHS – 4 YEARS

Anne Hathaway Day Care Centre offers enriching programs led by a team of highly skilled and experienced Early Childhood Educators. To add your child's name to our waitlist, please go to onehsn.com/Stratford/

Enriching child-centered programs led by a team of highly skilled and experienced Early Childhood Educators:

- Nutritious lunch and snacks provided
- Outdoor play in a new natural play space
- Financial assistance available upon qualification
- Newly renovated facility

Emergency or Short-Term Child Care Services

Operated by the City of Stratford, Anne Hathaway Daycare is a child and family friendly licenced early childhood education centre. Emergency or short-term childcare services are provided on an 'as available' basis. For information about services, availability and fees, please contact the Daycare at 519-273-1803.

For further information contact: Corry Gunn, Manager - 103 Bruce St. Stratford, 519-273-1803
cgunn@stratford.ca.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Jan 17	Finance and Labour Relations Committee	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
Jan 18	Finance and Labour Relations Sub-committee	3:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
Jan 20	Committee of the Whole In-camera	6:00 p.m.	Electronic Participation

Given the COVID-19 Pandemic and the declared emergency, the City will be posting a video of the meeting to our website once available. Agendas and a link to watch the meeting while in progress can be accessed from the City's website.

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