

Stratford Town Crier

Town Crier, January 8, 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 will be implementing the following changes to help limit the spread of COVID-19:

- City administrative offices will be open by appointment only, effective immediately
- 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, will be closed to the public starting Wednesday, Jan. 5
- 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.

METER HOOD RENTAL PROGRAM – UPDATE

Following the announcement from the provincial government to return to a modified version of Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen, the City's meter hood rental program provisions during Covid-19 will be resuming, as approved by City Council on June 14, 2021. Under Step Two of the program, the following provisions are in place for meter hood rentals by downtown restaurants and retail stores and will be effective Wednesday, January 5, 2022:

Step 2:

- Each downtown core restaurant selling food for curbside pickup/takeout may request up to two (2) free meter hood rentals.
- Each downtown core retail establishment may request up to one (1) free meter hood rental.

To request a meter hood under the provisions noted above, please contact the Clerk's Office by phone at 519-271-0250 extension 5237 or email clerks@stratford.ca.

For more information, including meter hood rental program provisions under other Steps of the Province's Roadmap to Reopen, please visit www.stratford.ca/parking.

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

These will be electronic meetings. A link to watch the Council meeting live will be provided on the agenda which will be posted to the City's website. A video of the meeting will also be posted to the City's website once available.

For those persons who wish to participate orally at the public meetings, please contact the City Clerk at clerks@stratford.ca no later than **10:00 am on Monday, February 7, 2022**. Following confirmation of the request to speak, details for participating in the meeting will be provided. During the meeting there will be an active chat function where any member of the public can provide written comments during the meeting. The comments received will be read by the moderator during the public comment portion of the public meeting.

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT – Z15-21 – 555 DOWNIE STREET

City Key Map



City of Stratford Council will hold a public meeting on Monday, February 07, 2022 at **6:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 1 Wellington Street, Stratford to hear all interested persons with respect to the Zone Change Application (Z15-21) under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

The application affects the property with the municipal address of 555 Downie Street, located on the southeast corner of Downie Street and Norfolk Street, having an area of approximately 0.19 ha (0.48 ac). The subject lands are legally described as Plan 381 Lot 1 and Lot 2 in the City of Stratford.

The purpose of this zone change is to rezone the property from a Neighbourhood Commercial (C1) zone to a Neighbourhood Commercial- Site Specific (C1-___) zone to add a retail store as a permitted use with a maximum gross floor area of 95m², to permit parking spaces to be a minimum of 2.4m in width and 5.6m in length, to permit a minimum rear yard setback of 1.5m, to permit a minimum parking setback from an arterial road of 6.5m, and to apply a parking rate of 1 parking space per 32m² for the retail store and 1 per 34m² for a neighbourhood store accessory to a gas bar for a total of 10 parking spaces on site.

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT – Z16-21 – 4192 SHORT STREET

City Key Map



City of Stratford Council will hold a public meeting on Monday, February 07, 2022 at **6:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 1 Wellington Street, Stratford to hear all interested persons with respect to the Zone Change Application (File Z16-21) under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

The application affects the property with the municipal address of 4192 Short Street, located on the northeast corner of Short Street and O'Loane Avenue, having an area of approximately 2.04 ha (5.04 ac). The subject lands are legally described as Concession 2 Part Lot 5 in the City of Stratford.

The purpose of this zone change is to rezone the property from an Agricultural (A) zone in the Township of Perth East Zoning By-law #30-1999 to a Residential Second Density- Special Zone (R2(2)-XX) and a Residential Fourth Density- Special Zone (R4(2)-XX) in the City of Stratford Zoning By-law.

The Residential Second Density- Special Zone (R2(2)-XX) is proposed for the semi-detached lots and the single detached lots. The applicant is requesting special provisions to decrease the minimum interior lot area for a semi-detached dwelling to 247m², to reduce the minimum corner lot area for a single detached dwelling to 414m², and to increase the maximum lot coverage to 50%.

The Residential Fourth Density- Special Zone (R4(2)-XX) is proposed for the street townhouse dwellings. The applicant is requesting special provisions to decrease the minimum end lot area to 267.5m², to reduce the minimum corner lot area to 320m², to reduce the minimum corner lot frontage to 8m, to reduce the minimum front yard setback to 2.5m, to reduce the minimum exterior side yard setback to 8m, and to increase the maximum lot coverage to 50%.

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT – Z13-21 – 3025 LINE 34 DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION – 31T21-003 – 3025 LINE 34

City Key Map



City of Stratford Council will hold a public meeting on Monday, February 7, 2022 at **6:00 pm** to hear all interested persons with respect to Draft Plan of Subdivision Application 31T21-003 and Zone Change Application Z13-21.

A Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment application was received for the lands known municipally as 3025 Line 34, legally described as Concession 1 Part Lots 41 & 42, RP 44R-4198 Part 1, PT Part 3 (Geographic Township of South Easthope) in the City of Stratford. The lands are located on the south side of Highway 7 & 8 (Line 34), east of C.H. Meier Boulevard and have an area of 21.53ha.

Draft Plan of Subdivision

The proposed draft plan of subdivision contains one industrial block, two stormwater management blocks, one park block, 52 street townhouse blocks, two live/work townhouse blocks, six cluster townhouse blocks, 54 single detached dwelling lots, six 0.3m reserves all served by six new local roads and the extension of Douro Street (collector road). The lands are proposed to accommodate 452 new residential units.

Zoning By-law Amendment

The requested Zoning By-law amendment is to rezone the lands from an Agricultural (A) Zone in the Township of Perth East Zoning By-law 30-1999 and General Industrial (I2) in the City of Stratford Zoning By-law 201-2000 to a General Industrial- Special zone (I2-VV), Park (P) zone, Residential Second Density- Special zone (R2(2)-XX), Residential Fourth Density- Special zone (R4(2)-YY), Residential Fourth Density- Special zone (R4(2)-WW) and Mixed Use Residential- Special zone (MUR-ZZ).

The General Industrial- Special zone (I2-VV) is the zoning proposed for the industrial block. The applicant is requesting that this zone permits convenience commercial uses, a self-storage establishment, a studio and all the

uses in the I2 zone with the exception of an adult entertainment establishment, animal kennel, building materials yard, car wash and fuel storage depot.

The Residential Second Density- Special zone (R2(2)-XX) is the zone proposed for the 54 single detached dwelling lots. The applicant is requesting special provisions relating to lot area, lot frontage, setbacks, height, lot coverage, driveway width, and encroachments. The requested special provisions to the R2(2) regulations are explained in the table below.

Requested Regulations	R2(2)-XX
Min Lot Area (Corner Lot)	350.0m ²
Min Lot Frontage (Corner Lot)	11.5m
Min Front Yard Setback (Dwelling)	2.0m
Min Interior Side Yard Setback	1.2m on one side 0.6m on the other
Min Exterior Side Yard Setback	2.0m
Aggregate Side Yard Width	1.8m
Maximum Height	13.0m
Maximum Lot Coverage	55%
Deck Encroachment	2.0m into a rear yard
Maximum Driveway Width (Section 3.13.7b i))	N/A
Encroachments (notwithstanding regulation 3.21.e))	Bay windows, box windows and box-out windows, with or without foundation, having a maximum width of 3.0m, may project not more than 1.0m, exclusive of eaves and cornices, into a required front yard or required exterior side yard

The Residential Fourth Density- Special zone (R4(2)-YY) is the zone proposed for 52 street townhouse dwelling blocks and the Residential Fourth Density- Special zone (R4(2)-WW) is the zone proposed for the six cluster townhouse dwelling blocks. The cluster townhouse blocks are proposed to be laneway townhouses with direct access onto a private, common element condominium lane. The applicant is requesting special provisions relating to lot area, lot frontage, lot depth, setbacks, height, lot coverage, landscaped open space, garage access, and encroachments. The requested special provisions to the R4(2) regulations are explained in the table below.

Requested Regulations	R4(2)-YY	R4(2)-WW
Uses	Street Townhouses	Cluster Townhouses
Min Lot Area	Interior Lot:165.0m ² End Lot: 205.0m ² Corner Lot: 245.0m ²	Interior Lot:125.0m ² End Lot: 155.0m ² Corner Lot: 175.0m ²
Min Lot Frontage	Corner Lot: 7.5m End Lot: 9.0m	Corner Lot: 9.0m End Lot: 7.5m Interior Lot: 6.0m
Min Lot Depth	27.0m	21.0m
Min Front Yard Setback (Dwelling)	2.0m	2.0m
Min Interior Side Yard Setback	1.2m	1.2m
Min Exterior Side Yard Setback	2.0m	2.0m
Min Rear Yard Setback	6.0m	0.5m
Max Height	13.0m	15.0m
Max Lot Coverage	65%	100%
Min Landscaped Open Space	20%	0%
Deck Encroachment	2.0m into a rear yard	N/A
Garage Access	N/A	Rear lot line
Encroachments (notwithstanding regulation 3.21.e))	Bay windows, box windows and box-out windows, with or without foundation, having a maximum width of 3.0m, may project not more than 1.0m, exclusive of eaves and cornices, into a required front yard or required exterior side yard	Bay windows, box windows and box-out windows, with or without foundation, having a maximum width of 3.0m, may project not more than 1.0m, exclusive of eaves and cornices, into a required front yard or required exterior side yard

The Mixed Use Residential- Special zone (MUR-ZZ) is the zone proposed for the two live/work townhouse unit blocks. The site-specific zoning regulations defines a live/work townhouse dwelling as a dwelling unit in a townhouse building used and operated by one or more persons of a single household containing a subsidiary business and personal services occupancy that does not include food preparation requiring exhaust hood ventilation or producing grease-laden vapour. The requested permitted uses on the ground floor of a live/work townhouse unit are: business office, candy shop, clinic, day nursery, dry cleaning establishment, home

occupation, hostel, laundromat, merchandise rental shop, neighbourhood store, personal care establishment, professional office, retail store, specialized medical office, specialty shop, and a studio. The applicant is requesting special provisions relating to lot area, lot frontage, lot depth, setbacks, height, lot coverage, landscaped open space, front lot line, and encroachments. The requested special provisions to the MUR-ZZ regulations are explained in the table below.

Requested Regulations	MUR-ZZ
Min Lot Area	Interior Lot: 140.0m ² End Lot: 270.0m ² Corner Lot: 350.0m ²
Min Lot Frontage	Corner Lot: 9.5m End Lot: 7.5m Interior Lot: 5.5m
Min Lot Depth	25.0m
Min Front Yard Setback (Dwelling)	2.0m
Min Interior Side Yard Setback	1.2m
Min Exterior Side Yard Setback	2.0m
Min Rear Yard Setback	6.0m
Max Height	15.0m
Max Lot Coverage	100%
Min Landscaped Open Space	0%
Front Lot Line	Line 34 (Highway 7 & 8)
Encroachments (notwithstanding regulation 3.21.e))	Bay windows, box windows and box-out windows, with or without foundation, having a maximum width of 3.0m, may project not more than 1.0m, exclusive of eaves and cornices, into a required front yard or required exterior side yard

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, if one is held, or make written submissions to the City of Stratford in respect of the proposed draft plan of subdivision before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the draft plan of subdivision, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the City of Stratford to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, if one is held, or make written submissions to the City of Stratford in respect of the proposed draft plan of subdivision before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the draft plan of subdivision, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the City of Stratford to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Stratford before the by-law amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Stratford before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the City of Stratford in respect of the proposed draft plan of subdivision approval or the zoning by-law amendment you must make a written request to the Manager of Planning, Infrastructure and Development Services Department, The Corporation of the City of Stratford, 82 Erie Street, Stratford, ON N5A 2M4.

Your opinions on these applications are important. Please call, mail, e-mail or fax your comments to Alyssa Bridge- Tel: (519) 271-0250 ext. 5221, Fax: (519) 271-5966 – abridge@stratford.ca - City of Stratford, Development Services Division by Friday January 21st, 2022 in order for your comments to be incorporated in the Planning Report. Comments received after this date will be summarized in a future planning report.

Personal information collected as part of this Notice is pursuant to the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Personal information collected as a result of this Notice will be used to assist Council in making a decision on this application. Names, addresses, opinions and comments will be made available for public disclosure. Questions regarding this collection should be forwarded to the City Clerk, 1 Wellington Street, P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON, N5A 6W1 or by emailing: tdafoe@stratford.ca or by telephone at the number below.

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 – DELAYED

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.

The 2022 pet tags are not yet available from the manufacturer due to a material shortage. We anticipate having the tags available mid-January.

Information on when 2022 pet tags can be acquired will be posted to the City's website at the following link: <https://www.stratford.ca/en/live-here/petownership.aspx>. Information will also be included in the Town Crier and on our social media sites.

Questions about pet licensing and how to obtain a licence application can be directed to the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5237.

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

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.

PARKING REMINDERS

1. **Payment is required** Monday to Saturday* from 9:00am to 6:00pm (November 1 – March 31)
2. Sundays and Holidays payment is not required.
3. Those with accessible permits visibly displayed are not required to pay the meter but must be parked in a legally marked parking spot and abide by posted time limits.
4. Parking is prohibited across from a driveway when the road is less than 28 feet in width
5. Parking rates:
 - \$1.25 per hour off street
 - \$1.50 per hour on street
6. Pay by Plate machines are located in most lots and accept coin, debit and credit cards.

If issues arise when attempting to make payment for parking the best course of action is to try a different meter/machine or to call the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5230 in order to avoid being ticketed.

* Every motorist on **Saturdays** from December 1, 2021 until April 30, 2022 will receive four (4) hours of free parking in the downtown core. This means that those individuals parking in the downtown core on **Saturdays** during this time will receive 4 hours of free parking and will not be required to pay the meters or machines.

After the 4 hours of free parking, motorists are required to pay the respective meter or machine. Compliance is required with all other provisions of the City's Traffic and Parking By-law including maximum parking time limits.

NOTICE - CLEARING SIDEWALKS OF SNOW AND ICE IN THE CORE AREA AND CLEARING OVERHANGING SNOW AND ICE FROM ROOFS IN THE CITY OF STRATFORD

The purpose of this notice is to advise you that under the conditions of By-law 225-2005, the owner, occupant or person in charge of any property in the core area as designated in the By-law is required to clear the sidewalks adjacent to their property of all snow and ice throughout the winter.

The sidewalks shall be cleared of snow and ice prior to 10:00 a.m. everyday, except Sundays and Holidays as defined in the Retail Business Holidays Act. Sidewalk conditions must then be monitored between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and to continue to keep the sidewalks cleared at all times. The By-law also requires that icy conditions be treated with sand and/or salt or other suitable substance.

Also the owner, occupant or person in charge of an occupied or unoccupied building is required to clear away and remove snow and ice from the roof of a building where such snow and ice may fall on a sidewalk or street. All snow or ice from roofs must be removed by 10:00 a.m. every day except Sundays and Holidays as defined in the Retail Business Holidays Act. The person clearing away the snow and ice shall take all necessary care and precautions for the warning and safety of passers-by and other persons.

Any snow and ice which falls onto the sidewalk shall be placed at the edge of the street immediately adjacent to the curb. Snow should not be placed on the travelled portion of the roadway or in such a way as to obstruct access to any fire hydrant.

Regular inspections will be made of the core area sidewalks after snowfalls and to identify any buildings which have snow and ice which may fall on the sidewalk or street. The set fine for contravention of this By-law is \$115.00 for each occurrence exclusive of costs. The snow and ice may be removed at the discretion of the Infrastructure and Development Services Department and charged to the owner.

If you require this document in an alternate format or any additional information, please contact the City Infrastructure and Development Services Department at 519-271-0250, Extension 5222. A copy of By-law 225-2005 can be seen on request at the City Clerk's office or by visiting the City's website at www.stratford.ca.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Jan 10	Committee of the Whole In-camera	CANCELLED	
Jan 10	Regular Council 7:00 p.m.	Electronic Participation	
Jan 11	Social Services Sub-committee	4:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
Jan 13	Community Services Sub-committee	4:30 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.

Telephone: 519-271-0250 www.stratford.ca