

Stratford Town Crier

Town Crier, December 30, 2023

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedule

HOLIDAY HOURS - CITY OF STRATFORD ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES AND LANDFILL

City of Stratford Administrative Offices and the Stratford Landfill will be closed on Monday, January 1, 2024.

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE – HOLIDAY SEASON

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE

During the Holiday Season there will be the following changes to curbside garbage, green bin or recycle collection schedule.

REGULAR PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Friday December 29, 2023
Monday January 1, 2024
Tuesday January 2, 2024
Wednesday January 3, 2024
Thursday January 4, 2024
Friday January 5, 2024

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Saturday December 30, 2023
Tuesday January 2, 2024
Wednesday January 3, 2024
Thursday January 4, 2024
Friday January 5, 2024
Saturday January 6, 2024

Christmas Tree Collection: Christmas Trees will be collected the week of January 8 to January 12, 2024, on your regular collection date.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT – Z05-23 – 245 DOWNIE STREET

City of Stratford Council will hold a public meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024 at **7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 1 Wellington Street, Stratford to hear all interested persons with respect to the Zoning By-law Amendment Application (File Z05-23) under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

The application affects the property with the municipal address of 245 Downie Street, located on the east side of Downie Street between Falstaff Street and Milton Street, having an area of approximately 0.30 ha (0.71 ac). The subject lands are legally described as Lots 40, 41, and 44 and Part of Lot 45, PLAN 75 in the City of Stratford.



The purpose of this zone change is to amend the site-specific Central Commercial (C3-9) Zone on the property that permits residential dwelling units within the basement and main floor to permit, in addition to the existing permitted uses, the following:

An inn, being a building or portion thereof, used for the purposes of supplying temporary living accommodation to the public, and containing guest rooms, dwelling units or a combination thereof, wherein such dwelling units are not restricted to occupancy by a person as their principal residence to increase the maximum number of dwelling units within the definition of an Inn from 10 dwelling units to 51 dwelling units.

Members of the public: Your opinion on this application is important. Please call, mail, e-mail or fax your comments to Vincent Wen - Tel: (519) 271-0250 extension 5266, vwen@stratford.ca - City of Stratford, Building & Planning Services by **January 12, 2024** in order for your comments to be summarized in the public meeting report. Comments received after this date will be summarized in a future planning report.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT – Z06-23 – 607 AND 609 DOWNIE STREET

City of Stratford Council will hold a public meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024 at **7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 1 Wellington Street, Stratford to hear all interested persons with respect to the Zoning By-law Amendment Application (File Z06-23) under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

The application affects the property with the municipal address of 607 and 609 Downie Street, located on the east side of Downie Street between Norfolk Street and Bruce Street, having an area of approximately 0.15 ha (0.36 ac). The subject lands are legally described as Lots 33, 34, and 35 PLAN 381 in the City of Stratford.



The purpose of this zone change is to rezone the subject lands from a Neighbourhood Commercial (C1) Zone, that permits select commercial uses such as a convenience store, a gas bar, a laundromat, a motor vehicle service station and a restaurant, to a site-specific Neighbourhood Commercial (C1-___) Zone to permit, in addition to the existing C1 permitted uses, the following additional uses:

- Single detached dwelling,
- Motor vehicle repair shop,

- Motor vehicle sales or service establishment, and
- Business office.

Additionally, the requested zone change will remove the motor vehicle service station from the list of permitted uses for the subject lands.

Members of the public: Your opinion on this application is important. Please call, mail, e-mail or fax your comments to Vincent Wen - Tel: (519) 271-0250 extension 5266, vwen@stratford.ca , or Fax 519-271-5966 - City of Stratford, Building & Planning Services by **January 12, 2024** in order for your comments to be summarized in the public meeting report. Comments received after this date will be summarized in a future planning report.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT HEARING

The Stratford Committee of Adjustment will consider the following applications at a hearing to be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the Stratford City Council Chamber (upper level), located at 1 Wellington Street, Stratford.

MINOR VARIANCE APPLICATIONS

A05-24 – 255 ERIE STREET – VINCENT WEN

The purpose of this application under Section 45(1) of the Planning Act, R.S.O 1990 is the following: to reduce the distance to a lot line for a required barrier free ramp or landing to a building from 0.8 m to 0.1 m; to increase the maximum barrier free ramp encroachment into the front yard from 3.50 m to 3.62 m and to reduce the minimum landscaped open space requirement from 30% to 14.5 %, all to facilitate the creation of a barrier free ramp for a dental office.

Variances requested:

1. Section 4.20.1i) – To reduce the distance to the front lot line for a required barrier free ramp or landing to access a building from 0.8 m to 0.1 m, and to increase the maximum barrier free ramp encroachment into the front yard from 3.50 m to 3.62 m.
2. Table 6.4.2 – Regulation in the Residential Second Density R2(1) Zone, to reduce the minimum landscaped open space from 30% to 14.5%.



A01-24 – 229 HURON STREET – ALEXANDER BURNETT

The purpose of application A01-24 is to permit an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) to be located partially within the side yard.

Variance requested:

1. Section 4.10 e) – Garden Suites, to permit an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) to be located partially within the side yard.



A03-24 – 4-10 RIDDELL DRIVE – ALEXANDER BURNETT

The purpose of application A03-24 is to increase the maximum lot coverage in the Residential Fourth Density R(4)-14 zone from 40% to 50% to facilitate the development of street townhouse dwellings. The applicant is also requesting a variance to reduce the exterior side yard width from a daylight triangle from 6.0 m to 3.52 m.

Variance requested:

1. Table 6.4.4 – Regulations in the Residential Fourth Density (R4) Zones, to increase the maximum lot coverage from 40 % to 50%.
2. Table 6.4.4 – Regulations in the Residential Fourth Density (R4) Zones, to reduce the exterior side yard width from a daylight triangle from 6.0 m to 3.52 m.



A04-24 – 20-24 RIDDELL DRIVE – ALEXANDER BURNETT

The purpose of application A04-24 is to increase the maximum lot coverage in the Residential Fourth Density R(4)-14 zone from 40% to 50% to facilitate the development of street townhouse dwellings.

Variance requested:

1. Table 6.4.4 – Regulations in the Residential Fourth Density (R4) Zones, to increase the maximum lot coverage from 40 % to 50%.



CONSENT APPLICATIONS

B01-24 – 370-396 Ontario Street – Vincent Wen

The purpose of application B01-24 is to sever the western portion of the lands known municipally as 370, 388, 390, and 396 Ontario Street to create a mixed-use residential/commercial lot. The proposed lot will have an approximate frontage of 19.9 m, a depth of 28.1 m and a lot area of 559.3 m², similar to what existed before it merged on title. The lands to be severed will have frontage onto Ontario Street and road access onto Trow Avenue.



The lands to be retained will have an approximate frontage of 45.5 m, a depth of 87.9 m, and an area of 3,826.9 m². The retained parcel’s legal frontage will be Queen Street and it will flank Ontario Street. The proposed lands to be retained contain a vacant commercial building and two single detached dwellings.

Additional information regarding the applications may be obtained by contacting the Building and Planning Services Department, at 519-271-0250 extension 5345 during normal business hours.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the City of Stratford Committee of Adjustment in respect of the application does not make written submissions to the City of Stratford Committee of Adjustment before it gives or refuses the application, the Ontario Land Tribunal may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the City of Stratford Committee of Adjustment in respect of the application, you must make a written request to the Secretary-Treasurer, Stratford Committee of Adjustment, Vincent Wen, 82 Erie Street, 3rd Floor Stratford, ON N5A 2M4. This will also entitle you to be advised of a possible Ontario Land Tribunal hearing. Even if you are the successful party, you should request a copy of the decision since the Stratford Committee of Adjustment decision may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal by the applicant, the Minister or a specified person or public body.

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 the Committee of Adjustment 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, Tatiana Dafoe, 1 Wellington Street, P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON, N5A 6W1 or by emailing: tdafoe@stratford.ca or by telephone at 519-271-0250 extension 5329.

2024 PET TAGS NOW ON SALE - REMINDER

Register your dogs and cats before March 1 and save!

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. A tag allows the Humane Society to return your pet to you should they ever be found wandering. The first time your pet is found wandering by the Humane Society, your pet receives a free ride home!

The cost for a pet tag is:

Type of Pet Licence	Before March 1, 2024	As of March 1, 2024
Dog/Cat – sterilized	\$20.00	\$30.00
Dog/Cat – not sterilized	\$50.00	\$60.00
Dog or Cat under 1 year	\$20.00	\$20.00
Special Needs Dog	No charge; registration required	No charge; registration required

Seniors (age 65 or older) receive a discount on annual identification tags. New residents to Stratford may exchange their current identification tag from another municipality at no cost for a current City of Stratford tag (one time only).

Identification tags may be obtained at:

- Stratford-Perth Humane Society – 125 Griffith Road, 519-273-6600
- City Hall, Clerk’s Office – by calling 519-271-0250, extension 5237
- Various Veterinary clinics and pet stores in Stratford (visit the Pet Ownership Page on the City’s website for a complete list)

Owners of exotic animals are required by By-law 195-2002 to register their animals. Contact the Humane Society at 519-273-6600 to register your exotic animals. There is no cost for registration.

NO OVERNIGHT PARKING (2AM-6AM) - REMINDER

Drivers are reminded that overnight parking in the City of Stratford is not permitted on any roadway, shoulder, or City parking lot between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless otherwise designated. Parking in a manner which obstructs municipal snow clearing operations is also prohibited. This is even more important during significant snowfall events to ensure that City snow plow operators can safely and efficiently clear roads. Parking in a manner which obstructs municipal snow clearing operations and/or parking overnight (between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m.) each carry a set fine of \$80, or a \$60 voluntary payment if paid within 7 days.

Stratford Police Services enforce this restriction and should be contacted if there is an overnight parking situation at the non-emergency line of 519-271-4141.

For additional information, please contact the Clerk’s Office at 519-271-0250, extension 5230.

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 Services Department or the Chief of Police and charged to the owner.

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