



OAKVILLE

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 2020-050

A by-law to authorize extensions of road closures, extensions of business licences, and temporary sign permits in response to Coronavirus Covid-19 emergency

WHEREAS a Declaration of Emergency was made by the Province of Ontario, Regional Municipality of Halton and the Town pursuant to the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* due to COVID-19 (the “emergency”);

AND WHEREAS Council has determined that additional flexibility under certain town by-laws is warranted to better enable the town to maintain services, meet legal requirements and assist local businesses affected by the emergency.

COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Extension of Temporary Road Closures

1. The Director of Engineering and Construction or Director of Roads and Works are authorized to extend the closure or partial closure of highways closed for the purposes of construction under By-law 2007-135 prior to the effective date of this by-law, for a period of an additional six months (up to 1 year in total).

Extension of Business Licences

2. The term of Business Licences issued under By-law 2015-075 which would expire after the date of this by-law shall be extended until 30 days after there has been a declaration that the emergency has ended by each of the Province of Ontario, Regional Municipality and Town of Oakville (the “termination of the emergency”).
3. The Licensing Commissioner is authorized to grant further extensions of Business Licences of up to 30 days if, in the opinion of the Licensing Commissioner, ongoing factors related to the earlier emergency prevent compliance with licensing requirements other than the payment of fees.
4. The extension of Business Licences under this by-law may be revoked by Council, on 30 days notice to the Licensee, if in the opinion of Council the reasons for the continuation of the emergency by the Province of Ontario, Regional Municipality of Halton, or Town of Oakville do not impact the ability of the Licensee to comply with By-law 2015-075. Notice under this section may be delivered by email or ordinary mail prior to Council making its decision.

Temporary Permissions for Signs

5. Until the emergency has terminated or this provision is revoked:
 - a. Fees under By-law 2018-153 for A-Frame Signs within business improvement areas and Mobile Signs outside business improvement areas are waived.
 - b. The authority granted to the Designated Official to authorize exceptions from any provisions of By-law 2018-153 shall be expanded to permit additional exceptions for Temporary Signs, including A-Frame Signs and Mobile Signs, and to impose any conditions with respect to such exception as the Designated Official deems necessary and appropriate to protect public safety or maintain the general intent of the By-law.
 - c. There shall be no fee for a request for an exception under section 5 b of this by-law.
 - d. Signs erected pursuant to an exception under section 5 b shall be removed within 48 hours of the termination of the emergency or a written request of the Designated Official.

Interpretation and Delegation of Authority

6. For the purposes of this by-law,
 - a. The authority delegated under this by-law shall be exercised by the individual specified, or in the absence of the individual, the person acting in that capacity.
7. The provisions of this by-law prevail over the provisions of By-laws 2007-135, 2015-075 to the extent of any conflict. The provisions of those by-laws shall otherwise continue to apply.
8. This By-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED this 26 day of March, 2020.

Rob Burton

Mayor

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Town Clerk