

ATTACHMENT 1

Proposed Amendments to be Incorporated into the New Business Licensing By-law

1. THAT where a continuing business, under the same ongoing ownership, changes location, the change be subject to a new application to be filed with the Licensing Office and that any licence application or renewal fee already paid be pro-rated to the effective date when the business is to begin operating at the new location and any resulting credit be offset against the fee for the new licence application.
2. THAT application and renewal provisions be amended to allow for persons to meet requirements imposed by the Chief Licensing Officer in a form, where appropriate, other than attending in person, that is satisfactory to the Chief Licensing Officer.
3. THAT where a photograph is required as part of a licence application or renewal, either two passport-size photographs, taken within thirty (30) days of the licence application, or a digital photograph, also taken within thirty (30) days of the licence application, with a minimum resolution of 600 x 600 pixels and a maximum resolution of 1200 x 1200 pixels, be permitted depending on whether the submission is done through hard copies or electronically.
4. THAT where a business is being carried on virtually (i.e., at the premises entirely through electronic means), the licence issued be for Home Occupation - Office, aligned with such requirements as prescribed by Zoning By-law 001-2021, as amended, and be endorsed for the business activity governed under the Business Licensing By-law.
5. THAT despite any other provision in the Business Licensing By-law, authorized agents not be permitted for licence application and renewals of body rub parlour attendants and adult entertainment entertainers.
6. THAT pool installers and anyone endorsed as a pool installer be prohibited from excavating or erecting a pool without a permit under section 9.0(1) of the Fence By-law, as amended, and be required to erect an adequate temporary fence prior to the commencement of any excavation or erection of a pool, in accordance with section 9.0(2) of the Fence by-law, as amended.
7. THAT the conditions under which a licence application or renewal thereof can be refused be applied equally to determine whether a licence should be suspended or revoked.

8. THAT all vehicle re-inspection fees be set at \$130.00 for 2022 and \$134.00 for 2023, and that change of vehicle inspection fees be set at \$65.00 for 2022 and \$67.00 for 2023 for all vehicle categories.
9. THAT the provisions of this By-law do not apply to a Tow Truck Brokerage, Tow Truck Owner or Tow Truck Driver who is an approved participant in the Province of Ontario's Tow Zone Pilot Program, and can prove such participation to the satisfaction of the Chief Licensing Officer, and does not provide any towing services within the City of Vaughan, except those that are within the scope of the Tow Zone Pilot Program.
10. THAT anyone that is licensed or required to be licensed under this By-law fails to undertake any work or other action prescribed by a Notice to Comply, the City or its agents, acting on the City's behalf, may enter upon the premises at any reasonable time for the purposes of doing the things described in the Notice to Comply and that any costs incurred by the City in doing the work may be recovered by action or adding the costs to the tax roll and collecting them in the same manner as taxes.
11. THAT the amount for an administrative monetary penalty issued for an offence under the Business Licensing By-law be set at \$500.00.
12. THAT the threshold policy for licences in the Business Licensing By-law be amended by updating the synopsis and process sections (which do not set any requirements or standards), revising the criteria by using more concise language, and by adding the following definition:

"Conviction" means a formal declaration that a person has been found guilty of a summary conviction offence or an indictable offence, and shall also include an administrative monetary penalty once such penalty has been affirmed in accordance with the City's Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law.
13. THAT where an initial licensing or renewal fee prescribed in this By-law has not yet been established by Council by January 1st, the Treasurer be authorized to charge a fee equivalent to the current year's rate, plus 3.0%, and any difference between the calculated fee, as per this section, and the actual fee subsequently established by Council shall be accrued to the following year's renewal amount. And, where a licence is obtained or renewed for a period of two years, any amount not yet established by Council by January 1st, the Treasurer be authorized to charge a fee equivalent to an increase of 3.0% over each of the previous years (or, for greater certainty, at a compounded effective rate of 6.09% over two years), and any differences between the total amount calculated, as per this section, and the actual total fee, once all relevant amounts have been established by Council, shall be accrued to the following renewal amount.

14. THAT By-law 315-2005 and all of its amendments be repealed; and
15. THAT a new Business Licensing By-law, incorporating the changes recommended in this Attachment as well as any other necessary stylistic changes, such as numbering, section formatting, revised references, and clarifying language be approved and enacted by Council.