

Stratford Town Crier

Town Crier, August 19, 2023

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedule

NOTICE OF NOISE BY-LAW EXEMPTION

Destination Stratford has requested an exemption from Noise Control By-law 113-79 for the Light's On Stratford Exhibit in Market Square which will run every Thursday to Sunday from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. from December 14, 2023, through to January 14, 2024.

Anyone wishing to comment on this application for exemption should provide their comments in writing or email by Monday, August 28, 2023 to: The Corporation of the City of Stratford, Attention: Events Coordinator, Community Services, P.O. Box 874, 357 McCarthy Rd., Stratford, ON N5A 6W3. Email: hdenny@stratford.ca

2024 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROCESS

The 2024 application process for community grants is now open. The online application is available on the City's website under "2024 Budget". Applications are due by October 16, 2023.

Please note that if your organization received a 2023 community grant, your year-end reporting must be received in order to be considered for a 2024 grant.

Please contact stfdbudget@stratford.ca if you have any questions.

TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN - NOTICE OF COMPLETION

The City of Stratford has completed a new Transportation Master Plan (TMP). The TMP is a long-range planning document that identifies strategies and infrastructure solutions to the City's transportation needs over the short-, medium-, and long-term to a planning horizon of 2041, intended to achieve the TMP's vision:

- Stratford's transportation system will facilitate a safe, vibrant, prosperous, and complete community while reflecting the principles of equity, accessibility, inclusivity, and environmental sustainability.

The draft TMP Report was presented to Council on August 14, 2023. The City of Stratford is now hosting a 30-day public review period, providing the public the opportunity to comment on the draft report. To review the draft report and provide comments, please visit Engage Stratford at <https://engagestratford.ca/transportation-master-plan>

The deadline to provide comments is September 17, 2023.

JOIN THE AD-HOC GRAND TRUNK RENEWAL COMMITTEE

Stratford City Council established the Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee in 2023 to provide support and a forum for input and exchange of ideas on the renewal of the Grand Trunk building. The Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee will be made up of volunteer, unpaid positions which represent key sectors for a two-year term.

We are seeking individuals to fill the following positions on the Ad-Hoc Committee:

- One (1) Citizen-at-Large
- One (1) Economic Development – e.g. BIA member, Chamber of Commerce representative, business owner, manufacturing
- One (1) Development – e.g., construction or building industry
- One (1) Accounting – accountant, financial planning
- One (1) Stratford Lakeside Active Adults Association member
- One (1) Youth – e.g. aged 13-25
- One (1) Education – e.g. Teacher, principal, professor, director
- One (1) Theatre – community or professional theatre
- One (1) Design – e.g. architect, engineer
- One (1) Legal – e.g. lawyer, insurance
- One (1) Land use planning – e.g. planner

Applicants must be 18 years of age or older (with the exception of the youth representative), be able to attend committee meetings quarterly, and available to serve a term from September 2023 to September 2025.

For more information about the Ad-Hoc Grand Trunk Renewal Committee, including details on how to apply, please visit the City's website at www.stratford.ca.

To apply, please complete the form available through the City's website. Paper copies of the application are also available in the Clerk's Office located on the ground floor of Stratford City Hall, 1 Wellington Street.

The deadline to apply is Friday, September 8, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

LEAF & YARD WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Leaf and yard waste will only be collected in the following forms:

- 110 L Kraft Paper bags
- Certified Compostable bags
- Re-useable Container with label attached

Clear Plastic Bags are NOT accepted and will be left at the curbside. Leaf and Yard waste is accepted at the landfill depot during regular landfill hours.

The next Leaf and Yard Waste collection weeks are:

- August 21 - 25
- September 18 - 22
- October 23 - 27
- October 30 – November 3
- November 6 - 10

- November 13 - 17
- November 20 - 24
- November 27 – 30



CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Are you looking for a part-time job that makes a difference in your community? The City of Stratford is seeking crossing guards to play an important role in helping children safely walk to and from school at various locations across the City. As a crossing guard, you would be responsible for:

- covering shifts at the morning school bell times for student arrival and afternoon school bell times for student dismissal.
- ensure that children travelling to and from school pass safely through your assigned crossing.
- acting as an important safety figure and engaged member of the community.

All training and equipment will be provided.

Interested persons may submit resumes in person to the Clerk's Office at City Hall or by emailing Commissionaires Great Lakes at crossingguardrecruiting.gl@commissionaires.ca. For more information, please visit www.stratford.ca/crossingguards.

ATTENTION STRATFORD PROPERTY OWNERS PROPERTY TAX – 2023 FINAL LEVY DUE DATE AUGUST 29, 2023 - REMINDER

For your convenience, property tax payments by cheque may be deposited in the mailbox at City Hall, Rear Entrance. Payment at your bank or on-line/telephone banking is also available. Please make cheques payable to "City of Stratford" and mail to P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1. Pre-authorized payment is available monthly or quarterly, call to inquire. Contact: Tax Department, 519-271-0250, extension 5212.

The Town Crier is posted to the City's website.

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