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CITY OF TORONTO

Bill 381

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To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 849, Water and Sewage Services and Utility Bill, to extend the due date for the submission of the annual verification by eligible sewer surcharge rebate program consumers in respect of the 2020 calendar year.

Whereas authority is given to Council to pass this by-law pursuant to subsections 8 (1) and (2) of the City of Toronto Act, 2006; and

Whereas § 849-9 of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 849 requires submission of an annual verification of water consumption and sewage discharge to the City's General Manager of Toronto Water no later than the 1st day of February of each calendar year to be eligible, among other eligibility criteria, to receive a rebate under § 849-3 for the current year; and

Whereas on March 17, 2020, the Premier of Ontario declared a state of emergency under section 7.0.1(1) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (the EMCPA), and on March 23, 2020, Mayor Tory declared an emergency under section 4 of the EMCPA and section 59-5.1 of City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 59, Emergency Management, all in response to the novel coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19); and

Whereas COVID-19, during the period of 2020-2021, has adversely impacted the ability of certain industrial and commercial consumers to meet the February 1, 2021 submission deadline in respect to their sewer surcharge rebate application for the 2020 calendar year; and

Whereas Council wishes to support and assist industrial or commercial consumers impacted by COVID-19 by extending the due date to submit the annual verification of their water consumption and sewer discharge required by § 849-9 for the 2020 calendar year to June 30, 2022;

The Council of the City of Toronto enacts:

1. Chapter 849, Water and Sewage Services and Utility Bill, is amended by deleting the existing § 849-9 and replacing it with the following:

"§ 849-9. Annual verification of water consumption and sewage discharge.

- A. Each year industrial or commercial consumers who have been granted a rebate under § 849-3, in order to receive a rebate under § 849-3 for the current year, shall submit to the City's General Manager of Toronto Water in a form and content satisfactory to the City's General Manager of Toronto Water, annual verification of the consumer's water consumption and sewage discharge, no later than the 1st day of February of each calendar year.

- B. Despite the February 1 deadline provided in § 849-9 A, the deadline for the submission of the annual verification of the industrial or commercial consumer's water consumption and sewage discharge to the City's General Manager of Toronto Water in respect to a rebate for the 2020 calendar year shall be extended from February 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

- C. Any failure to comply with the requirements § 849-9 A or § 849-9 B, as applicable, shall result in the revocation of any rebate granted to the consumer pursuant to this article

Enacted and passed on May , 2022.

Frances Nunziata,
Speaker

John D. Elvidge,
City Clerk

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