

## ***City of Toronto Act, 2006 Public Notice***

### **Transitioning Oversight of the Towing and Vehicle Storage Sector to the Province of Ontario**

**Toronto City Council will be considering recommendations to adopt amendments to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, Appendix C, Schedule 12, and Amend Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 915, Parking on Municipal or Private Property.**

It is proposed that the amendments be adopted at the City Council meeting to be held on October 11, 12, and 13, 2023, or at a subsequent meeting. If adopted by City Council, the amendments to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapters will:

1. Amend Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to move §545-104G and H, §545-113A and B, §545-265, 266, and 267, which set conditions on tows from private or municipal property, to Chapter 915, Parking on Private or Municipal Property, as of January 1, 2024.
2. Amend Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to move the definitions of "Gross Vehicle Weight Rating", "Hirer", and "Toronto Police Service Contract Rate" to Chapter 915, Parking on Private or Municipal Property, as of January 1, 2024.
3. Amend Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 915, Parking on Municipal or Private Property, by adding a definition of "Public Garage" as follows:

PUBLIC GARAGE - A building or place that receives or stores towed motor vehicles.
4. Amend Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to delete all remaining licensing requirements and provisions that relate to Tow Truck Drivers and Tow Truck Owners, as of January 1, 2024.
5. Amend Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, to delete all licensing requirements and provisions related to Collision Reporting Centres, as of January 1, 2024.
6. Amend Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, Appendix C, Schedule 12, to delete fees associated with Tow Truck Drivers, Tow Truck Owners, and accredited vehicle repair facilities, as of January 1, 2024.
7. Delete §150-12 from Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 150, Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, as of January 1, 2024.
8. Extend the term of licences held as of October 1, 2023 by Tow Truck Drivers, Tow Truck Owners, and Public Garages that exclusively receive or store towed vehicles to December 31, 2023, without the need to pay associated licence renewal fees.
9. Approve such amendments to Toronto Municipal Code Chapters 150, 441, 545, and 915 as required by the City Solicitor and the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to give effect to these recommendations.

The proposed amendments are outlined in the report titled "Transitioning Oversight of the Towing and Vehicle Storage Sector to the Province of Ontario." To view or obtain a copy of the report, visit the City's website at:

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/#/committees/2563/23214>

At its meeting to be held via video conference and in-person at City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, on September 21, 2023 at 9:30 a.m., or as soon as possible thereafter, the Economic and Community Development Committee of Toronto City Council will hear from any person or by his or her counsel, agent, or solicitor, who wishes to speak to the matter.

The proposed amendments are subject to the decisions of the Economic and Community Development Committee and City Council. Consequently, the proposed amendments may be modified. Additional or other amendments to the above-noted By-laws, including amendments not contemplated or considered in the proposal by Municipal Licensing and Standards staff, may occur as a result of the decisions of the Committee and City Council.

To submit comments or make a presentation to the Economic and Community Development Committee on September 21, 2023, please contact the Committee no later than 12:00 p.m. on September 20, 2023:

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10<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Tower, Toronto, ON, M5H 2N2  
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To ask questions regarding the content of the report, please contact:

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Any comments received after the Committee meeting will be forwarded to City Council.

While the staff report sets out proposed changes, the Committee and/or City Council may change these proposals and adopt additional or other amendments that differ from the recommendations set out in the report. The proposed amendments are subject to the decision of the Committee and the decision of City Council.

If this matter is postponed at the Committee meeting or City Council meeting or considered at a subsequent Committee or City Council meeting, no additional notice will be provided other than the information on the subsequent Committee or City Council agenda. Please contact the above City officials if you require notice in these cases.

The Economic and Community Development Committee will make its final recommendations on September 21, 2023, which will be forwarded to City Council for its meeting on October 11, 12, and 13, 2023.

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Dated at the City of Toronto on September 14, 2023.

John D. Elvidge  
City Clerk