Public Notice

CaféTO Business Improvement Area (BIA) Pilot Programs Update and Toronto Municipal Code Amendments for 2025

Amendments to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 742, Sidewalk Cafés, Parklets and Marketing Displays, Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, Chapter 937, Temporary Closing of Highways, and Chapter 27, Council Procedures

Toronto City Council will be considering recommendations to pass a by-law to amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 742, Sidewalk Cafés, Parklets and Marketing Displays to make permanent the rules allowing businesses in a Business Improvement Area to operate beyond their frontage within a curb lane, amending invoicing timelines, amending the public notice for flankage cafés, permit suspension requirements, and other technical adjustments; Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, to make adjustments regarding transfer fees, annual adjustments and discounts within a Neighbourhood Improvement Area and the Kensington Market Historic District; Chapter 937, Temporary Closing of Highways, to make technical adjustments regarding year-round closures on King Street East and West, and outside of this area, to allow for the General Manager, Transportation Services, to close curb lanes from April 24 to October 15 (inclusive); and Chapter 27, Council Procedures, to make technical adjustments.

It is proposed that the by-law be adopted at the Council meeting to be held on November 13, 14 and 15, 2024 or at a subsequent meeting.

The report from the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture, titled "CaféTO Business Improvement Area (BIA) Pilot Programs Update and Toronto Municipal Code Amendments for 2025" has the following recommendations:

- 1. City Council amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 742, Sidewalk Cafés, Parklets and Marketing Displays, generally as outlined in Attachment 1 to the report (October 22, 2024) from the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture.
- 2. City Council amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, Appendix C, Schedule 2, and Schedule 12, by removing the application fee for public parklets, and amending the permit fees for curb lane cafés and transfer fees for sidewalk cafés in accordance with Attachment 3 to the report (October 22, 2024) from the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture.
- 3. City Council amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 937, Temporary Closing of Highways, as outlined in Attachment 4 to the report (October 22, 2024) from the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture.
- 4. City Council amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 27, Council Procedures, as outlined in Attachment 2 to the report (October 22, 2024) from the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture.
- 5. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to introduce the necessary Bills to give effect to City Council's decision and City Council authorize the City Solicitor to make any necessary

clarifications, refinements, minor modifications, technical amendments, or By-law amendments as may be identified by the City Solicitor, in consultation with the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture in order to give effect to Recommendations 1 to 4 above.

- 6. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture to continue to pilot the expanded use of public parklets for the 2025 CaféTO season, with such guidelines conforming to all requirements in Chapter 742, Sidewalk Cafés, Parklets and Marketing Displays, and considering the following as permitted uses in addition to public space:
- a. Promotion of Business Improvement Area member businesses; and
- b. Display of and sale of non-food products.
- 7. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services and the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture to report back on the feasibility of the expanded use of Marketing Displays on curb lanes.
- 8. City Council direct that the amendment to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, in recommendation 2 retroactively be deemed to have come into effect on of January 1, 2024.
- 9. City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to include necessary resources including the 15 positions required for sustaining the CaféTO program for consideration as part of the 2025 Operating Budget submission for Transportation Services.

At its meeting to be held virtually and in-person on November 5, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter, the Executive Committee of Toronto City Council will hear in person, or by his or her counsel, agent or solicitor, any person who wishes to speak to the matter. The meeting details are as follows:

Date: November 5, 2024

Time: 9:30 a.m., or as soon as possible thereafter

Location: By Video Conference or Committee Room 1, Toronto City Hall, 2nd Floor, 100

Queen Street West

To submit comments or make a presentation to the Executive Committee on November 5, please contact the Committee no later than 12:00 p.m. on November 4, 2024:

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Presentations will be limited to 5 minutes per person unless the Committee decides otherwise.

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

The Executive Committee will make its final recommendations on **November 5, 2024**, which will be forwarded to City Council at its meeting on November 13, 14, and 15, 2024 or at a subsequent meeting.

While the staff report sets out proposed changes, the appropriate Committee and/or City Council may make amendments from the recommendations set out in the report.

For further information concerning the Report, please contact:

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To obtain or view a copy of the Report, please visit: https://secure.toronto.ca/council/#/committees/2468/24403

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Dated at the City of Toronto this October 29, 2024.

John Elvidge City Clerk