



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members Planning Committee
DATE:	October 17, 2017
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Licensing of Driving Schools (PED17179) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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Council Direction:

At its meeting of July 14, 2017, Council approved Planning Committee Report 17-012, Item (g)(i) requesting that staff report back to Committee with legislative options and alternatives related to the regulation of driving schools in Hamilton that seeks to address the practice areas utilized by driving schools and individual driving instructors, and that the information contained in the report include, but not be limited to, legislation adopted by neighbouring municipalities who have adopted driving school rules and regulations.

Information:

Following a consultation with the neighbouring municipalities it was found that the majority of these municipalities have a licensing structure in place for this industry. However, the approach varies from licensing the driving schools and / or instructors to creating restricted areas within the municipality or all three.

The City of Hamilton is participating in a Provincial working group run by the Ministry of Transportation - Driver Programs Office with our neighbouring municipalities to discuss and resolve concerns surrounding municipal by-laws for driving schools and driving instructors. The next meeting is scheduled for the end of October 2017. Following the scheduled meeting, staff will prepare a report and by-law for Council's consideration which is in line with the best practices in the Province.

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Appendices and Schedules Attached

None

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