

By-law Enforcement Priority Strategy

Municipal Law Enforcement Team

<p><i>Top Priority – Proactive and Reactive Enforcement</i></p> <p>These by-laws will take precedent due to a potential blatant health and safety/liability issue.</p>	<p><i>Periodic Proactive Enforcement</i></p>	<p><i>Lower Priority and/or Reactive - Complaint Driven</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yard Waste/Maintenance By-law (e.g., long weeds and grass; garbage and debris; inoperable vehicles) ▪ Graffiti Enforcement Student Program in conjunction with Graffiti Management Strategy ▪ Snow and Ice By-law (Winter) ▪ Parks By-law (Waterfall enforcement) ▪ Illegal Dumping on private property ▪ Streets/Traffic By-law (5 By-laws) (e.g., mud tracking; road encumbrances; road games) ▪ Forestry – Tree Private and Public ▪ Property By-laws (5 By-laws) ▪ Property Standards By-law ▪ Vacant Building By-law ▪ Adequate Heat By-law ▪ Proactive Property Standards Team (Council approved and Ward rotation) ▪ Vital Services By-law ▪ Noise By-law ▪ Public Nuisance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yard Waste/Maintenance Blitz – Hotspots identified across the City including Downtown Core and BIA ▪ Cigarette Butt litter – if budget approved ▪ Snow and Ice Clearing Proactive – Based on reactive complaint identify other properties in the vicinity that did not clear snow/ice from sidewalk ▪ Property Standards – Downtown Core and BIA (e.g., Night walks) ▪ Property Standards Blitz – Highly visible areas and hotspots identified across the City ▪ McMaster-Mohawk Proactive (September and April) ▪ Special Projects with Hamilton Police Services and other Enforcement Agencies (tent city; no permit in parks, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parks By-law (violations other than waterfalls) ▪ Anti-Idling By-law ▪ Discharge of Firearm By-law ▪ Fence By-law ▪ Transit By-law (in partnership with HSR) ▪ Water By-law (Summer - as requested by Water/Wastewater during water shortages) ▪ Zoning By-law (6 By-laws)

Licensing Team

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<p>All Licensing Activity is Proactive in nature due to the requirements of the Licensing By-law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Business Licensing (includes compliance with Property Standards, Zoning, Yard Maintenance and the Sign By-law) ▪ Zoning – Business Zoning (if a zoning issue relates to a business licence then carried through to completion by Licensing) ▪ Mobile Licensing Inspections – taxi, PTP (Uber & Lyft) limos, food trucks, peddlers, etc.) ▪ Sign By-law (except rural area) ▪ Lodging Homes (Schedule 9 of Licensing By-law) (at least during Council endorsed pilot program for the next two years) ▪ Residential Care Facilities (Schedule 20 of Licensing By-law) ▪ Cannabis Enforcement (ensuring legal dispensaries are in accordance with CLA 2018 and AGCO regulations and addressing illegal dispensaries by enforcing by-laws ie signs, property standard etc. No authority to close them down 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sign Proactive – Hotspots across the City based on streets with recurring multiple violations and business signs repeatedly without permits ▪ Special Events Management - Attend Community Events/Festivals to educate and gain compliance with Licensing By-law ▪ Adult Entertainment Blitz – Body Rub Parlours, Adult Entertainment Venues, etc ▪ Trades (Schedule 29, locating unlicensed companies) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lottery Licensing ▪ Sign By-law (reactive only in rural areas as per City Council Aug 12/10) ▪ Street Vendors (e.g., flower vendors (Easter and Mother’s Day), concession stands, special events vendors)

Animal Services Team

Top Priority – Proactive and Reactive Enforcement	Periodic Proactive Enforcement	Lower Priority and/or Reactive - Complaint Driven
<p><u>Enforcement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Responsible Animal Ownership By-law ▪ Dog Licensing – expired licences ▪ Dog Licensing – new licence leads ▪ Feeding Wildlife By-law – rabies response and enforcement ▪ Dogs at Large – no owners present and actively running at large ▪ All bite complaints – Animal to Animal and Animal to Human ▪ Dangerous and Potentially Dangerous Dog Designations ▪ Dog Owners’ Liability Act (bites, attacks, pit bulls) <p><u>Non-Enforceable</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Injured wildlife and domestic animals to ensure public safety ▪ Pick up and hold animals “Held In Trust” in cooperation with Hamilton Fire, Police and EMS ▪ Pick-up, hold and release bats for Public Health monitoring/testing for possible rabies transmission to people/animals ▪ Dogs in Hot Cars – in cooperation with Hamilton Police ▪ Coyote Sightings - Public Education 	<p><u>Enforcement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Park Patrols ▪ Leash Free patrols ▪ Pet store inspections – in cooperation with Licensing Officers for the business licences ▪ Dog Designation Inspections – to ensure compliance with the regulations ▪ Dog Licensing 	<p><u>Enforcement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dog at Large – reports where the owner was present, or it occurred in the past ▪ New Licensing leads ▪ Dog off Leash ▪ Number of animals and prohibited animals ▪ Barking dogs (by complaint) ▪ Poop and scoop ▪ Park patrols ▪ Dangerous Dog designations ▪ Claiming animals impounded from the shelter (enforcement) ▪ Feeding Wildlife <p><u>Non-Enforceable</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trap Neuter Release – Community Cats ▪ Community events/meetings in cooperation with Public Health for rabies education. ▪ Wildlife Seminars in cooperation with a Licensed Wildlife Rehabilitator ▪ Picking up Deceased wildlife and domestic animals for disease prevention and public safety