

1. Motion - Support for Winter Outdoor Dining and Outdoor Retail

Motion - Soutien aux propriétaires de restaurant et de commerce de détail pour l'utilisation d'espaces extérieurs pendant l'hiver

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve the following:

1. Extend the delegation of authority to the General Manager of Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development in consultation with the Director of Traffic Services, together with the Director of Roads and Parking Services to authorize the extension of closure of segments of any City of Ottawa road as a temporary measure through to April 1, 2021, as part of the City of Ottawa's economic recovery efforts;
2. that this delegation of authority only be exercised where there is the written consent of the Business Improvement Association (BIA) for the given geographic area, or in the circumstance where a BIA does not exist, 2/3 of the business owners on each block segment approve of the road closure as provided in writing to the General Manager and the Directors listed above;
3. that any road closures past November 15, 2020 be subject to an approved snow clearing and removal strategy between the beneficiaries of the road closure and Roads and Parking Services;
4. to provide certainty for restaurant owners as they plan for 2021 operations, Council direct staff to bring forward a 2021 Operating Budget that includes the elimination of the daily encroachment fee for right of way patios,
5. that funding in the amount of \$150,000 from the PIED 2020 Public Realm Intervention Capital Account be made available to BIAs and registered business associations via a grant program for small capital improvements or beautification that can bolster economic

activity.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU COMITÉ

Que le Conseil approuve ce qui suit :

- 1. Que soit prolongée la délégation au directeur général de la Planification, de l'Infrastructure et du Développement économique (DGPIDE) du pouvoir d'autoriser, après avoir consulté le directeur des Services de la circulation et le directeur des Services des routes et stationnement, la fermeture temporaire de tronçons de n'importe quelle rue d'Ottawa jusqu'au 1^{er} avril 2021 dans le cadre des efforts de relance économique de la Ville;**
- 2. Que ce pouvoir délégué ne soit exercé qu'avec le consentement écrit de la zone d'amélioration commerciale (ZAC) du secteur géographique visé ou, s'il n'y a pas de ZAC, à la condition que les deux tiers des propriétaires d'entreprises de chaque tronçon d'îlot donnent leur approbation écrite de la fermeture de rue au directeur général et aux directeurs mentionnés ci-dessus;**
- 3. Que toute fermeture de rue après le 15 novembre 2020 soit accompagnée d'une stratégie de déneigement dont auront convenu les bénéficiaires de la fermeture et les Services des routes et du stationnement;**
- 4. Il est en outre résolu que, pour que les restaurateurs puissent planifier leurs activités de 2021 avec plus de certitude, le Conseil demande au personnel de prévoir au budget de fonctionnement de 2021 l'élimination des frais d'empiètement quotidiens pour les terrasses sur emprise;**
- 5. Il est en outre résolu qu'un montant de 150 000 \$ issu du compte d'immobilisations pour intervention relevant du domaine public de la DGPIDE 2020 soit alloué aux ZAC et aux associations de gens d'affaires enregistrées, dans le cadre d'un programme de subvention pour les petits projets d'amélioration des immobilisations ou d'embellissement qui peuvent stimuler l'activité économique.**

DOCUMENTATION / DOCUMENTATION

1. Committee Coordinator's report, dated November 2, 2020 (ACS2020-OCC-TRC-0017)
Rapport du coordonnatrice, daté le 2 novembre 2020 (ACS2020-OCC-TRC-0017)
2. Extract of Draft Minutes, Transportation Committee, November 2, 2020.
Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal, Comité des transports, le 2 novembre 2020

Report to
Rapport au:

and Council
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Ward: CITY WIDE / À L'ÉCHELLE DE LA VILLE **File Number:** ACS2020-OCC-TRC-0017

SUBJECT: Motion - Support for Winter Outdoor Dining and Outdoor Retail

OBJET: Motion - Soutien aux propriétaires de restaurant et de commerce de détail pour l'utilisation d'espaces extérieurs pendant l'hiver

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

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5. that funding in the amount of \$150,000 from the PIED 2020 Public Realm Intervention Capital Account be made available to BIAs and registered business associations via a grant program for small capital improvements or beautification that can bolster economic activity.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que le Conseil approuve ce qui suit :

1. Que soit prolongée la délégation au directeur général de la Planification, de l'Infrastructure et du Développement économique (DGPIDE) du pouvoir d'autoriser, après avoir consulté le directeur des Services de la circulation et le directeur des Services des routes et stationnement, la fermeture temporaire de tronçons de n'importe quelle rue d'Ottawa jusqu'au 1^{er} avril 2021 dans le cadre des efforts de relance économique de la Ville;
2. Que ce pouvoir délégué ne soit exercé qu'avec le consentement écrit de la zone d'amélioration commerciale (ZAC) du secteur géographique visé ou, s'il n'y a pas de ZAC, à la condition que les deux tiers des propriétaires d'entreprises de chaque tronçon d'îlot donnent leur approbation écrite de la fermeture de rue au directeur général et aux directeurs mentionnés ci-dessus;

3. Que toute fermeture de rue après le 15 novembre 2020 soit accompagnée d'une stratégie de déneigement dont auront convenu les bénéficiaires de la fermeture et les Services des routes et du stationnement;
4. Il est en outre résolu que, pour que les restaurateurs puissent planifier leurs activités de 2021 avec plus de certitude, le Conseil demande au personnel de prévoir au budget de fonctionnement de 2021 l'élimination des frais d'empêtement quotidiens pour les terrasses sur emprise;
5. Il est en outre résolu qu'un montant de 150 000 \$ issu du compte d'immobilisations pour intervention relevant du domaine public de la DGPIDE 2020 soit alloué aux ZAC et aux associations de gens d'affaires enregistrées, dans le cadre d'un programme de subvention pour les petits projets d'amélioration des immobilisations ou d'embellissement qui peuvent stimuler l'activité économique.

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Committee at its meeting of November 2, 2020, received a staff presentation related to supporting winter outdoor dining and outdoor retail. Subsequently, the committee approved the following motion:

Moved by Councillor C. Kitts

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve and is causing significant economic impacts across the world and locally in Ottawa; and

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020, an emergency related to the COVID-19 outbreak was declared in the whole of the Province of Ontario, pursuant to Section 7.0.1 of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act, as set out in Order in Council 518/2020; and

WHEREAS on October 9, 2020 revised restrictions were announced by the Province of Ontario that specifically relate to Ottawa and restrict indoor dining for 28 days as part of the emergency declaration, which continues to significantly limit restaurants in their operations, which has substantial local economic impacts; and

WHEREAS at its meeting of October 14th, 2020, Council directed that: "Right of Way, Heritage and Urban Design Services and Roads and Parking Services present to

Transportation Committee at their November meeting a winter patio strategy after further consultation with OCOBIA, and a best practice review of the efforts of other winter cities”;

WHEREAS City staff have provided at the Transportation Committee meeting of November 2nd an overview of further measures that can assist the restaurant and retail sectors; and

WHEREAS ROW patios will continue to be expected to comply with the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Committee recommend Council approve the following:

- i. *Extend the delegation of authority to the General Manager of Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development in consultation with the Director of Traffic Services, together with the Director of Roads and Parking Services to authorize the extension of closure of segments of any City of Ottawa road as a temporary measure through to April 1, 2021, as part of the City of Ottawa’s economic recovery efforts;*
- ii. *And that this delegation of authority only be exercised where there is the written consent of the Business Improvement Association (BIA) for the given geographic area, or in the circumstance where a BIA does not exist, 2/3 of the business owners on each block segment approve of the road closure as provided in writing to the General Manager and the Directors listed above;*
- iii. *And that any road closures past November 15, 2020 be subject to an approved snow clearing and removal strategy between the beneficiaries of the road closure and Roads and Parking Services;*
- iv. *And be it further resolved that, to provide certainty for restaurant owners as they plan for 2021 operations, Council direct staff to bring forward a 2021 Operating Budget that includes the elimination of the daily encroachment fee for right of way patios,*
- v. *And be it further resolved that funding in the amount of \$150,000 from the PIED 2020 Public Realm Intervention Capital Account be made available to BIAs and*

registered business associations via a grant program for small capital improvements or beautification that can bolster economic activity.

DISCUSSION

The Committee unanimously supported the aforementioned motion, which is now before Council.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no rural implications associated with the recommendations in this report.

CONSULTATION

No consultation was undertaken as this item was added at the meeting.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

Not applicable. This is a city-wide report.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) COMMENTS

This report was not circulated for comment as it was added at the meeting.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Legal staff will be present at the Council meeting and can provide comment if requested

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management implications associated with this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The 2021 Draft Operating Budget will include a pressure of \$270,000 for the estimated revenue loss associated with the elimination of the daily encroachment fee for right of way patios. This pressure is expected to be offset by Safe Restart Program funding.

Fund are available within 909740 2020 Public Realm Interventions for the recommended grant program. Subject to Council approval, funds will be transferred to a separate account.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

There are no impacts to accessibility associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

This is not applicable to the recommendation in this report.

DISPOSITION

Following Council approval, staff in Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development will undertake action to respond to the recommendations in the report.