

Refers to Item #2 Public Hearing of July 18, 2017

## MEMORANDUM

July 18, 2017

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SUBJECT: RTS 11607 - New Sign By-law: Revised Effective Date and Amendment to

General Regulations for Illuminated and Electronic Signs

This memorandum recommends the following amendments to RTS 11607:

- A. amend Recommendation D and the draft Sign By-law to advance the date the by-law comes into force and takes effect to the date of enactment; and
- B. amend the general regulations for illumination and electronic signs to include residential units in community care facilities, group residences or seniors supportive or assisted housing.

## A. Effective Date

With the introduction of the new Sign By-law, the Board of Variance has just indicated that it will no longer hear appeals concerning the Sign By-law, effective immediately. As a result, staff recommend the effective date of the new Sign By-law be brought forward from January 1, 2018 to the date of enactment of the bylaw. If Council approves the by-law following the



public hearing, it is anticipated that the by-law will be brought forward for enactment on July 25, 2017. The effective date for the new Sign Fee By-law will remain January 1, 2018.

B. General Regulations for Illumination and Electronic Signs:

The new Sign By-law includes general regulations to minimize light overspill from illuminated and electronic signs into nearby dwelling units. The proposed amendment extends the regulations to include residential units in a community care facility, group residence or seniors' supportive or assisted housing.

## It is recommended that:

- 1. Recommendation D. in the summary and recommendation, be replaced with the following:
  - "D. THAT subject to enactment of the new Sign By-law Council direct staff to undertake an education and enforcement campaign as proposed in this report".
- 2. Recommendation 3 on the first page of the draft Sign By-law, posted July 7, 2017, is replaced as follows:
  - "3. This by-law is to come into force and take effect on the date of enactment."
- 3. To Sections 5.11 and 5.13 of the draft Sign By-law, add the following:

"for the purposes of this section, dwelling unit includes a residential unit in a community care facility, group residence or seniors supportive or assisted housing."

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