

Report

Subject:	Mobile Food Vendors By-law Housekeeping Amendment
Department:	Corporate Services
Division:	Clerks
Report #:	CPS-2023-036
Meeting Date:	2023-05-15

Recommendations

That report CPS-2023-036 Mobile Food Vendors By-law Housekeeping Amendment, be received;

And that Council pass a by-law to amend By-law 2008-102, as amended, being a By-law to License, Regulate and Govern Mobile Food and Refreshment Vending to provide an exemption for mobile food vendors to not be required to get licensed under the Mobile Food Vendor by-law, if they are operating under the oversight of a special event that has been issued a Special Events Permit by the Town.

Background and Analysis

On March 20, 2023 Council passed By-law 2023-021 being a By-law to Manage and Regulate the Use of Parks, Special Events and Film Productions (Parks and Special Events By-law). In working through the permitting process for upcoming special events taking place in the Town, staff have identified the need to coordinate processes pursuant to the Parks and Special Events and the Mobile Food Vendors by-laws. Namely, to exempt mobile food vendors who are operating under a special event, as permitted by the Town pursuant to the Parks and Special Events by-law, from also having to apply for a mobile food vendor licence for the purposes of operating solely at that event.

Special Events By-law

By-law 2023-021, at Section 5.10 outlines that:

No person shall own or operate or cause to be operated a refreshment vehicle or refreshment stand other than in accordance with the Town's Mobile Food Vendor's Bylaw, as amended. By-law 2008-102, as amended, at Section 4.2 provides an exemption for vendors participating in the Market on Broadway, Orangeville Business Improvement Area (BIA) events, and Town initiated events, whereby they are not required to obtain individual Mobile Food Vendor licences, provided they do not operate outside the Market, the BIA or area specified for a Town initiated event. All other persons operating any refreshment vehicle or refreshment stand are required to obtain a license and pay the prescribed fee.

Special events however, such as the Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival and Ribfest for example, do not fit the exemption criteria within the Mobile Food Vendors By-law (outlined above), as they are not part of the Market on Broadway, organized by the BIA, or are Town initiated events.

The recommended amendment to the by-law would provide an exemption for mobile food vendors to not be required to get licensed under the Mobile Food Vendor by-law, if they are operating under the oversight of a special event that has been issued a Special Events Permit by the Town.

The special event organizers and mobile food vendors will be required to follow the processes established under Special Event Permit application process, which incorporate obtaining approvals from public health and fire, as well as fulfilling insurance and other requirements.

This housekeeping amendment maintains the requirements necessary to ensure the public's health, safety, and to mitigate risk to the Town while removing an administrative burden for event organizers and their respective mobile food vendors by not being required to go through duplicate licensing/permit processes.

Strategic Alignment

Strategic Plan

Strategic Goal: Corporate Capacity

Objective: Innovation

Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan

Theme: Not Applicable

Strategy: Not Applicable

Notice Provisions

None.

Financial Impact

None.

Respectfully submitted

Karen Landry General Manager, Corporate Services

Prepared by

Tracy Macdonald Deputy Clerk, Corporate Services

Attachment(s): None

Reviewed by

Carolina Khan Town Clerk, Corporate Services