



The Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie

By-law No. 40-2020

Being a By-law to Temporarily Waive Certain Late Fees, Penalties, and Fees and Charges

Whereas on March 17, 2020 a Declaration of Emergency was made by the Province of Ontario pursuant to section 7.0.1 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* to slow the spread of COVID-19 amidst a global pandemic outbreak; and

Whereas it is deemed expedient to temporarily waive certain late fees, penalties, and fees and charges, in order to support the residents and businesses in the Town of Fort Erie;

Now therefore the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie enacts as follows:

1. **That** the following late fees, penalties, and fees and charges, are waived until June 30th, 2020:
 - a) penalties for non-payment or late payment of taxes levied and charged in 2020;
 - b) penalties for non-payment or late payment of water and wastewater rates billed in 2020;
 - c) late fees for business licences applications and renewals;
 - d) charges for any cheques or pre-authorized payments (PAP) returned for non-sufficient funds (NSF) or payments stopped by the payor;
 - e) payment for on-street parking or in a municipal parking lot;
2. **That** water services shall not be disconnected by the Town of Fort Erie for non-payment of water and wastewater billings until June 30th, 2020.
3. **That** parking enforcement is limited to safety-related issues, including but not limited to, fire-routes, accessible parking, no-parking areas and fire hydrants, until June 30th, 2020.
4. **That** the Chief Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Mayor, is delegated authority to waive any other late fees, penalties, fees and charges to June 30th, 2020, as he may deem necessary and appropriate.
5. **That** any provision of any other by-law of the Town of Fort Erie that is inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law shall be of no force or effect.

6. **That** the Clerk of the Town is authorized to effect any minor modifications, corrections or omissions, solely of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantical or descriptive nature to this by-law or its schedules after the passage of this by-law.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 23rd day of March, 2020.

Acting Mayor

Clerk

I, Carol Schofield, the Clerk, of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie certifies the foregoing to be a true copy of By-law No. 40-2020 of the said Town. Given under my hand and the seal of the said Corporation, this day of , 20 .
