



**BY-LAW NUMBER XX-2023  
OF  
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

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BEING a By-law to authorize the entering into and execution of a Service Agreement with Festival Hydro Inc., for the provision of the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) for a three-year term until April 30, 2026.

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**WHEREAS** Section 8.(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 201, c.25 as amended, “(the Municipal Act, 2001”) provides that the powers of a municipality under this or any other Act, shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable to the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality’s ability to respond to municipal issues;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 9 of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 10(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a single-tier municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford deems it desirable and in the public interest to enter into a service agreement with Festival Hydro Inc., for the provision of the LEAP for a three-year term effective May 1, 2023 and expiring April 30, 2026;

**AND WHEREAS** The Corporation of the City of Stratford will fulfill lead and intake agency requirements for delivery of the LEAP program to Festival Hydro Inc., customers;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford as follows:

1. That the Agreement between The Corporation of the City of Stratford and Festival Hydro Inc., for the provision of the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program for a three-year term until April 30, 2026, be entered into and the Director of Social Services or the Chief Administrative Officer, or their respective delegates, be hereby authorized to execute the said agreement and all other documents related to this matter, on behalf of and for this Corporation and to affix the corporate seal thereto.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 8th day of May, 2023

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Mayor – Martin Ritsma

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Clerk – Tatiana Dafoe