



**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2024
OF
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

BEING a By-law to amend the Consumption of Liquor with Food in Designated Public Places By-law 37-2021, as amended, to change the permitted spaces and hours and the terms and conditions for the consumption in permitted spaces.

WHEREAS section 11 of the Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. 2001, c. 25 ("the Municipal Act, 2001") provides that a municipality may pass by-laws respecting matters within the spheres of jurisdiction of culture, parks, recreation and heritage;

AND WHEREAS section 8.(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that the powers of the municipality shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable 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 31(2)(d) of the Liquor Licence Act R.S.O. 1990, Chapter L.19 ("Liquor Licence Act") allows a municipality to designate by by-law a public space that is owned or controlled by the municipality as a place where the consumption of liquor is permitted;

AND WHEREAS Regulation 719 under the Liquor Licence Act subject to the specified restrictions and conditions allows liquor sales licenses to sell liquor for takeout and delivery;

AND WHEREAS section 425 of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that the City may pass by-laws providing that a person who contravene a by-law passed under the provisions of the Municipal Act is guilty of an offence;

AND WHEREAS section 429 of the Municipal Act, 2001 allows the City to establish a system of fines for offences under a by-law of the City passed under the Municipal Act;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford (the "City") deems it in the public interest to allow for the consumption of liquor with food from area restaurants in the designated public spaces;

AND WHEREAS the City adopted the Consumption of Liquor with Food in Designated Public Places By-law 37-2021;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City deems it necessary to amend the Consumption of Liquor with Food in Designated Public Places By-law 37-2021 to change the permitted spaces and hours and the terms and conditions for the consumption in permitted spaces;

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

1. That section 3(b), Permitted Spaces and Hours, be deleted and replaced with the following new section 3(b):

“The hours that Liquor may be consumed in any Permitted Spaces are as follows:

- Sunday to Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Friday to Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.”

2. That section 5, Terms and Conditions for the Consumption in Permitted Spaces, be deleted and replaced with the following new section:

“The consumption of Liquor in the Permitted Spaces shall only be permitted subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a. Only Liquor purchased from City restaurants registered in the Stratford Al Fresco program shall be allowed in the Permitted Spaces;
- b. The consumption of Liquor must be in a responsible manner and in compliance with all Applicable Laws including all City policies, by-laws, practices and procedures; and
- c. Liquor shall not be consumed in any area situated outside of the designated Permitted Spaces.”

3. All other provisions of the Consumption of Liquor with Food in Designated Public Places By-law 37-2021 remain in force and effect.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 15th day of October, 2024.

Mayor – Martin Ritsma

Clerk – Tatiana Dafoe