

Yard Maintenance By-Law

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Department: Planning and Development

Recommendations

That Council enact By-Law No. 105-24.

The Yard Maintenance By-Law requires property owners or occupants to maintain their land by keeping it clean and clear of refuse.

Purpose

- ▶ **To modernize yard maintenance regulations by updating property owner responsibilities and enforcement mechanisms.**
 - ▶ It is a completely new Yard Maintenance By-Law
 - ▶ It includes the necessary provisions to be included in AMPS

Background

- ▶ On November 18, 2024, staff presented the proposed Yard Maintenance By-Law to Council as part of a broader modernization initiative.
- ▶ At that time, the Yard Maintenance By-Law was deferred, and direction was given to staff to work with the Environmental Action Advisory Committee (EAAC) to define the word nuisance in the by-law.
- ▶ Following this directive, staff met with the EAAC and a definition for Nuisance was agreed upon and it has been included in the proposed by-law.
- ▶ Additionally, feedback was received regarding the list of prohibited plants in Schedule A of the by-law. Based on this feedback, staff reviewed and refined the list to ensure its practicality and effectiveness.

Questions?



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