# Municipality of Jasper

# **Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda**

September 11, 2018 | 9:30 a.m.

# Council Chambers, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

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# 2. Additions to Agenda

# 3. Approval of Agenda

3.1 September 11, 2018 attachment

#### 4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 August 28, 2018 attachment

#### 5. Presentations

#### 6. Business Arising from Minutes

### 7. Brief Updates

7.1 Draft Cannabis Consumption Bylaw	attachment
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#### 8. Correspondence for information, consideration or action

8.1 Invite: Annual Greener Facilities Conference & Expo – ARPA attachment

# 9. Letters of Support Requests

9.1 CFEP Application – Canada Day Committee attachment

#### 10. Other new business

#### 11. Council representation on various boards, upcoming meetings

#### 12. Upcoming Events

Sept. 11: Meeting with Parks Canada, Rotary Room, 1:30 pm

Sept. 11: Parks Canada Open House: National Planning Permitting Process, Crimson Hotel, 6-7:30 pm

Sept. 19: NETMA, Habitat for the Arts, 5-7 pm

Sept.25-28: AUMA Convention, Red Deer

# 13. Adjournment

Please note: All regular and committee meetings of Council are audio-recorded.

#### Municipality of Jasper

#### **Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, August 28, 2018 | 9:30 a.m. Council Chambers, Jasper Library & Cultural Centre

Present Mayor Richard Ireland, Deputy Mayor Bert Journault and Councillors Helen Kelleher-

Empey, Scott Wilson, Paul Butler, Rico Damota and Jenna McGrath

Also present Mark Fercho, Chief Administrative Officer

Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator Neil Jones, Bylaw Enforcement Officer

James Jackson, Tourism Jasper Craig Gilbert, the Fitzhugh

Call to order Deputy Mayor Journault called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Additions to the

MOTION by Councillor Damota to add the following item to today's agenda:

agenda -7.3 Strategic Planning

Mr. Fercho also requested that agenda item 7.2 be discussed before agenda item 7.1.

CARRIED

Approval of agenda

MOTION by Councillor Wilson to approve the agenda for August 28, 2018 as amended.

CARRIED

Approval of minutes

MOTION by Councillor McGrath to approve the minutes of the July 24, 2018 meeting as

presented. CARRIED

Brief updates – Jasper Centre Stage Naming Rights Prior to entering into a funding agreement with Tourism Jasper and CN, administration asked Council to consider whether CN could select a name for the stage in recognition of its financial contribution to the project. CN has an idea for the stage's name, but that information is currently not being made public; the name could possibly remain confidential until the stage's unveiling. Council respected the request for the name to remain a surprise until the stage's unveiling and will discuss the proposed name in camera

at a future meeting.

Smoking and Vaping Cannabis in Jasper

Recess

Following discussions on restricting the use of cannabis and tobacco in the downtown core, council agreed to focus on cannabis consumption only for the time being. Council indicated it was in favour of prohibiting public consumption of cannabis with the exception of designated areas; and directed the cannabis working group to develop a list of these designated areas.

Deputy Mayor Journault called a recess from 10:58 a.m. to 11:03 a.m.

Strategic Planning Council will cancel its October 9 committee of the whole meeting in order to have a

strategic planning session. Mayor Ireland will partially act as the meeting's facilitator.

Correspondence:

Carol Faid, a resident of Hinton, expressed her disappointment regarding the decisions

council made about cannabis retail in Jasper.

ATCO 2019 Franchise Fee Forecast ATCO sent a reminder that the Municipality's franchise agreement allows for an annual change to the franchise fee percentage. Mr. Fercho reminded council that unless Council wishes to make a change, this item is only for information.

Wildfire threat response

In May, Mayor Ireland sent a letter to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, explaining the threat of wildfire to Jasper. Minister McKenna assured that fire risk management and the safety of the public, infrastructure and neighbouring lands are priorities of Parks Canada; and noted Parks Canada has commissioned a study to examine the probability and impact of wildfire around the town sites in Canada's Rocky Mountain Parks. Council indicated it would like a follow-up on the study mentioned in Minister McKenna's letter.

Other new business

Councillor Damota inquired when the next FireSmart work bee will take place. Mr. Fercho will look into this and provide an update to Council.

Councillor McGrath inquired about a request from the youth Collaborative Action Team regarding subsidized youth passes to the Fitness and Aquatic Centre. Mr. Fercho confirmed a report will be presented to council at the next regular meeting.

Council representation

Mayor Ireland reminded Council it will need a seconder for its AUMA resolution regarding electric vehicle charging stations.

Adjournment

MOTION by Councillor Damota that, there being no further business, the meeting of August 28, 2018 be adjourned at 11:40 a.m. CARRIED



# REQUEST FOR DIRECTION

**Subject:** Draft Cannabis Consumption Bylaw

Prepared by: Mark Fercho, CAO

Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager

**Date – Discussion:** September 11, 2018

**Date – Decision:** Proposed: first reading on September 18, 2018

#### Recommendation:

 That Council provide direction to Administration on changes to make to the proposed Cannabis Consumption Bylaw, working towards third and final reading of the bylaw prior to October 17, including:

Input on the definition of "Public Place";

- Input on the process to create designated cannabis smoking and vaping areas within the Municipality of Jasper; and
- Any other areas of the bylaw Council may wish to discuss or modify.
- That Council consider enforcement of the draft bylaw, including the definition of "Officer"; compliance versus enforcement; and proactive versus complaint driven approaches.

#### **Options:**

- Input on the definition of "Public Place"
  - Option 1: Follow the provincial cannabis guidelines, where Public Place means "any part of a building, structure or other enclosed area to which members of the public have access as of right or by express or implied invitation" (from *Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act*), in addition to specific restrictions around hospitals, schools, childcare facilities, playgrounds and sports fields.
  - Option 2: In addition to the restrictions above, Council can expand the definition of Public Place to include "lands leased to the Municipality of Jasper or under the Municipality's management, maintenance or control, within the Municipality of Jasper".
     This would include streets, sidewalks, parking lots, green spaces, etc.
  - Option 3: Follow the provincial liquor guidelines, where Public Place means "a place or building that is open to the public", which would cover privately owned public places as well as all public property in Jasper.
- Please note that in the absence of a municipal bylaw, Jasper's Bylaw Enforcement Officers can
  only enforce some provincial Acts through their Peace Officer designation. For example, in the

absence of a bylaw giving authority to our Bylaw Enforcement Officers, the *Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act* provisions can only be enforced by Police Officers.

#### • Input on designated cannabis smoking and vaping areas

- The current proposed wording (from the Calgary bylaw) addresses public lands only, which means designating areas on private lands would not be possible. Council may decide to include a provision in the bylaw to allow cannabis smoking and vaping areas on private lands and public lands, subject to Council approval as outlined in the bylaw.
- o Council may consider whether section 7.4 of the draft bylaw, addressing public hearings to be held in accordance with the requirements of the MGA, is desirable for Jasper.

#### Enforcement considerations

- Council may consider whether national park wardens should be named as Officers under the bylaw. We currently have similar wording in place for the Traffic Bylaw, Anti-Idling Bylaw and Commercial Use of Public Space Bylaw.
- Council may consider whether the directive to municipal Bylaw Enforcement Officers should be to aim for compliance or enforcement (i.e. issuing violation tickets) of the proposed bylaw.
- Council may consider whether recreational cannabis smoking and vaping should be addressed proactively or should be dealt with on a complaint basis.
- Similar consideration may be given to the Smoking Control Bylaw, which is currently applied on a complaint basis.

#### Background:

St. Albert:

At the September 4 meeting, the Cannabis Working Group recommended that Council prohibit recreational cannabis smoking and vaping in public places in Jasper until a more detailed process is developed to designate cannabis smoking areas, or areas that would not be subject to the prohibition.

Administration reviewed provincial legislation (attached) and bylaws from other communities to present options on how to regulate recreational cannabis smoking and vaping in public places. There are nuances in how various Alberta communities approached this matter.

<u>Calgary:</u> Calgary defines public place to include "any place to which the public has access as of right or by invitation, express or implied" as part of a Cannabis Consumption Bylaw.

St. Albert also uses a broad definition of public place, similar to the Calgary definition, and intends to ban recreational cannabis consumption in all public places through a Cannabis Consumption Bylaw.

Lloydminster: Lloydminster defines public place as "any place, whether publicly or privately owned, to which members of the public have access (...)". Sidewalks are defined separately, but are also subject to a smoking ban through a Smoking Bylaw. The same rules apply to smoking cannabis and tobacco.

#### Banff:

Banff defines public places as "lands (...) leased to the Town or under the Town's management and control, within the Town of Banff", which considers streets and sidewalks separately, as part of its Street and Public Place Bylaw as opposed to a cannabis specific bylaw. Banff does not have a bylaw regulating tobacco smoking. Recreational cannabis smoking and vaping is effectively banned on all municipal property.

#### Camrose:

The City of Camrose created a Smoke Free Bylaw that regulates tobacco and recreational cannabis smoking, which generally follows the provincial tobacco restrictions around public "indoor" places. The bylaw also presents restrictions around playgrounds, parks and sports fields; expands the prescribed distances from windows and doors to 10 meters; prohibits ashtrays from being placed in that space; and places some responsibility on Proprietors to ensure the 10 meters from doorways provision is enforced. The bylaw does not include a definition of "public place", respecting either municipal lands or privately-owned public places.

#### **Relevant Legislation:**

- Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act (RSA 2000, cG-1)
- Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act (SA 2005, cT-3.8)

#### **Attachments:**

- DRAFT Cannabis Consumption Bylaw #211
- Recreational Cannabis Consumption, Areas Covered by Provincial Legislation

# MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER DRAFT BYLAW #211

# BEING A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO REGULATE THE CONSUMPTION OF CANNABIS IN PUBLIC PLACES.

**WHEREAS** the House of Commons has given three readings to the *Cannabis Act* (Bill C-45, *An Act respecting cannabis and to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, the Criminal Code and other Acts*, 1st Sess, 42nd Parl, 2018) which will permit persons to possess cannabis if purchased from an authorized person;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of Alberta has enacted the *Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act* (RSA 2000, cG-1) which places restrictions on the smoking or vaping of cannabis in public places;

**AND WHEREAS** pursuant to s. 7 of the *Municipal Government Act* (RSA 2000, cM-26), Council may pass bylaws respecting:

- (a) the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property;
- (b) people activities and things in, on or near a public place or place that is open to the public; and
- (c) the enforcement of bylaws made under the Municipal Government Act or any other enactment:

**AND WHEREAS** Council deems it necessary to impose additional restrictions on the smoking, vaping and other forms of consumption of cannabis in public places to prevent behaviours and conduct that may have a negative impact on the enjoyment of public places;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Specialized Municipality of Jasper, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts:

#### 1. CITATION

1.1. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Cannabis Consumption Bylaw".

#### 2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1. In this Bylaw:
  - 2.1.1. "Cannabis" has the meaning given to it in the Cannabis Act;
  - 2.1.2. "Cannabis Act" means Bill C-45, An Act respecting cannabis and to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, the Criminal Code and other Acts, 1st Sess, 42nd Parl, 2017;
  - 2.1.3. "Chief Administrative Officer" means the individual duly appointed to that position for the Municipality of Jasper at any given time and includes any person authorized to act for and in the name of that individual;
  - 2.1.4. "Electronic Smoking Device" means an electronic device that can be used to deliver a vapour, emission or aerosol to the person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to an electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo or pipe;
  - 2.1.5. *"Licensing and Enforcement Manager"* means the Municipality of Jasper's Licensing and Enforcement Manager as appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer, or designate;

- 2.1.6. "Officer" means a person appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to the Jasper Municipal Enforcement Officer Bylaw #045; a park warden appointed pursuant to the Canada National Parks Act, while that person is in the exercise or discharge of that person's powers or duties in a national park established under that Act; or a regular member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- 2.1.7. "Public Place" means to be determined by Council
- 2.1.8. "Smoke" or "Smoking" means:
  - 2.1.8.1. Inhaling or exhaling the smoke produced by burning or heating Cannabis; or
  - 2.1.8.2. Holding or otherwise having control of any device or thing containing lit or heated Cannabis;
- 2.1.9. "Vape" or "Vaping" means:
  - 2.1.9.1. Inhaling or exhaling the vapour, emissions or aerosol produced by an Electronic Smoking Device or similar device containing Cannabis; or
  - 2.1.9.2. Holding or otherwise having control of an Electronic Smoking Device that is producing vapour, emissions or aerosol from Cannabis.

#### 3. INTERPRETATION

- 3.1 Where this Bylaw cites or refers to any act, regulation, code or other bylaw, the citation or reference is to the act, regulation, code or other bylaw as amended, whether amended before or after the commencement of this Bylaw, and includes reference to any act, regulation, code or other bylaw that may be substituted in its place.
- 3.2 Each provision of this Bylaw is independent of all other provisions and if any provision is declared invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions of this Bylaw remain valid and enforceable.
- 3.3 Nothing in this Bylaw relieves a person from complying with any provision of any federal, provincial or municipal law or regulation or any requirement of any lawful permit, order or licence.

#### 4. PROHIBITION

4.1 A person must not Smoke, Vape or consume Cannabis in any Public Place.

#### 5. MEDICAL CANNABIS

- A person who is entitled to possess cannabis pursuant to a medical document issued pursuant to the *Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulations*, SOR/2016-230 is not subject to this Bylaw.
- 5.2 A person referred to in section 5.1 must, on demand of an Officer, produce a copy of the person's medical document.
- 5.3 A person referred to in section 5.1 is subject to the Town of Jasper Smoking Control Bylaw #061.

#### 6. EVENTS

6.1 Despite section 4, a person may Smoke, Vape or consume Cannabis in a Public Place at an event

- for which a permit has been granted by the Licensing and Enforcement Manager.
- The Licensing and Enforcement Manager may impose conditions on a permit granted pursuant to section 6.1.
- The Licensing and Enforcement Manager may suspend or revoke a permit issued pursuant to section 6.1 if the Licensing and Enforcement Manager determines that a permit holder or any person at an event for which a permit has been issued has contravened any federal or provincial legislation or a Municipality of Jasper bylaw.
- The holder of a permit issued pursuant to section 6.1 must ensure that:
  - 6.4.1 The Smoking, Vaping or consumption of Cannabis is only permitted in a designated area, separate and fenced off from the remainder of the event;
  - 6.4.2 Alcohol is not consumed in the area designated for the Smoking, Vaping or consumption of Cannabis;
  - 6.4.3 The sale of Cannabis is not permitted in the area designated for the Smoking, Vaping or consumption of Cannabis; and
  - 6.4.4 That the advertising or other materials relating to promotion of Cannabis cannot be seen by persons under the age of 18.

#### 7. DESIGNATED CANNABIS AREA

- 7.1 Council may by resolution designate areas located on Municipality-owned Public Places in which Cannabis may be Smoked, Vaped or consumed.
- 7.2 Council may by resolution designate Public Places in which this Bylaw does not apply.
- 7.3 Despite section 4, a person may Smoke or Vape or consume Cannabis in an area or Public Place designated by Council pursuant to section 7.1.
- 7.4 Prior to designating an area or Public Place pursuant to section 7, Council must hold a public hearing in respect of a proposed designated cannabis area in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Government Act.
- 7.5 The Licensing and Enforcement Manager may temporarily suspend a designation pursuant to section 7 for up to 90 days if in the opinion of the Licensing and Enforcement Manager the area has experienced significant safety or nuisance issues.
- 7.6 The Chief Administrative Officer shall maintain a list of areas and public places designated pursuant to section 7. The Chief Administrative Officer may publish the list on the Municipality's website.

#### 8.0 OFFENCES

Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw by doing an act or thing which the person is prohibited from doing, or by failing to do any act or thing the person is required to do, is guilty of an offence pursuant to this Bylaw.

#### 9.0 ENFORCEMENT

- 9.1 Where an Officer believes that a person has contravened any provision of this Bylaw, the Officer may commence proceedings against the person by issuing a violation ticket in accordance with the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act* (RSA 2000, cP-34).
- 9.2 This section shall not prevent an Officer from issuing a violation ticket requiring a court appearance of the defendant pursuant to the *Provincial Offences Procedures Act* (RSA 2000, cP-34) or from laying an information instead of issuing a violation ticket.

#### 10.0 PENALTY

- 10.1 Where there is a specified penalty listed for an offence in Schedule A to this Bylaw, that amount is the specified penalty for the offence.
- 10.2 Where there is a minimum penalty listed for an offence in Schedule A to this Bylaw, that amount is the minimum penalty for the offence.
- 10.3 In this section, "specified penalty" means an amount that can be paid by a person who is issued a violation ticket and is authorized to make a voluntary payment without a Court appearance.

#### 11.0 COMING INTO EFFECT

11.1 This Bylaw comes into force and effect on the day the *Cannabis Act* comes into force.

<b>READ</b> a first time this day of September, 2018	
READ a second time this day of , 2018	
READ a third time and finally passed this day of , 2018	
	Mayor
	Chief Administrative Officer

# **SCHEDULE A**

# **Penalties**

Section	Section Description of Offence		Specified Penalty
4	Smoking, Vaping or consuming Cannabis in a Public Place	<mark>\$50</mark>	<mark>\$100</mark>



# **Recreational Cannabis Consumption**

Areas Covered by Provincial Legislation

#### **Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act**

The *Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Act* (RSA 2000, cG-1) prohibits cannabis use, smoking and vaping is specific areas. Jasper's Bylaw Enforcement Officers (designated as Peace Officers) do not have the designation to enforce the provisions of this act.

#### Use of cannabis in vehicles prohibited

**90.24** Except as otherwise provided for in this Act or in a cannabis licence, no person may use cannabis in a vehicle unless, when the cannabis is being used, the vehicle is a temporary residence.

#### Smoking and vaping prohibited

90.28 No person may smoke or vape cannabis

- (a) in any area or place where that person is prohibited from smoking under the *Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act* or any other Act or the bylaws of a municipality,
- (b) on any hospital property, school property or child care facility property,
- (c) in or within a prescribed distance from
  - (i) playground,
  - (ii) a sports or playing field,
  - (iii) a skateboard or bicycle park,
  - (iv) a zoo,
  - (v) an outdoor theatre,
  - (vi) an outdoor pool or splash pad, or
  - (vii) any other area or place that is prescribed or otherwise described in the regulations.

#### **Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act**

The *Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act* (SA 2005, cT-3.8) prohibits smoking and vaping in the following areas. Jasper's Bylaw Enforcement Officers (designated as Peace Officers) <u>do</u> have the designation to enforce the provisions of this act.

#### **Definitions**

1 In this Act

(...)

- (f) "public place" means all or any part of a building, structure or other enclosed area to which members of the public have access as of right or by express or implied invitation including
  - (i) the common areas of a multi-unit residential facility, including patios, pools, other recreation areas and enclosed parking garages,
  - (ii) a group living facility,
  - (iii) an outdoor bus or taxi shelter,
  - (iv) licensed premises,
  - (v) a restaurant, and
  - (vi) a hotel;

(g) "public vehicle" means a bus, taxi or other vehicle that is used to transport members of the public for a fee;

# **Smoking prohibited**

**3** Subject to section 5, no person shall smoke

- (a) in a public place,
- (b) in workplace,(b.1) in a vehicle in which a minor is present,
- (c) in a public vehicle, or
- (d) within a prescribed distance from a doorway, window or air intake of a public place or workplace.

#### **Exceptions**

- **5(1)** An in-patient or resident of a group living facility may smoke in a separate room in the facility if the room
  - (a) is designated as a smoking room by the manager,
  - (b) has floor-to-ceiling walls, a ceiling and doors that separate it physically from any adjacent area in which smoking is prohibited under this Act,
  - (c) has a separate ventilation system, and
  - (d) conforms to any requirements prescribed by the regulations.
- (2) A registered guest, and a person invited by the guest, may smoke in a guest room of a hotel if the guest room
  - (a) is designed primarily as sleeping accommodation,
  - (b) is designated as a smoking room by the manager,
  - (c) has floor-to-ceiling walls, a ceiling and doors that separate it physically from any adjacent area in which smoking is prohibited under this Act, and
  - (d) conforms to any requirements prescribed by the regulations.
  - (3) and (4) Repealed 2007 c40 s5.



# REQUEST FOR DIRECTION

**Subject:** Cannabis Business Licensing in Jasper

Prepared by: Mark Fercho, CAO

**Reviewed by:** Cindy Alton, Administrative & Finance Assistant

Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager Dave Osborne, Licensing & Enforcement Manager

**Date – Discussion:** September 11 2018

Date – Decision: TBD

#### **Recommendation:**

1. That Council consider the development of municipal business licences and licence fees for the retail sale of cannabis in Jasper.

2. That Council provide Administration with direction for a formal Request for Decision report and to return to Council.

#### **Background:**

Federal and Provincial legislation is being introduced for legalization of cannabis sale, smoking and vaping, and there are some decisions that are left to be set at the local level by municipal governments in each community.

Jasper Mayor and Council have discussed and debated the matter on June 26, July 10 & 24, and on August 14, 2018, with Council passing resolutions to support retail sale of cannabis in Jasper as outlined in attachment #1 of this report. Passing resolutions early gave the Council information (municipal input required) to Parks Canada and also to retailers applying to the AGLC two months before the anticipated legalization date in order for those processes to have time to be concluded prior to legalization.

Direction and the development the actual business license itself is required in order for the business licenses for qualified new retailers to be available for issue on October 17, 2018.

Council may wish to consider additional retail business license provisions for cannabis retail in addition to standard license clauses. The <u>current regular provisions of a business licence</u> that may be applicable for cannabis retail business licenses which would apply or be modified to apply <u>are</u>:

- The Licensee shall prominently mark with the business' operating name or logo, every vehicle used in the activities of the business (this provision may need modification with new regs).
- The Licensee shall not park or be allow to park any vehicle marked with his business name or logo that is larger than a one-ton in the manufacturer's specified capacity, or larger than one ton in capacity when combined with any attached trailer, in any public on-street or off-street

parking stall between the hours of 10:00 pm and 2:00 am on any day during the effective period of this Business License.

- The Licensee shall maintain at all times during the term of this License liability insurance in an amount not less than \$2,000,000.
- The Licensee shall at all times operate within the requirements of the National Fire Code, and all applicable Parks Canada regulations.
- The Licensee shall at all-time operate within the requirements of applicable health and food handling regulations.
- No fluids associated with or resulting from the carpet cleaning process shall be deposited into the Jasper Waste Water Treatment Plant in any location other than on-site at the plant.

The business is subject to the new provincial licensing, and Council has also modified the hours, so the business license would include the restrictions such as (suggestions to discuss):

- The Licensee shall at all-time operate within the municipal, provincial and federal requirements of applicable cannabis retail regulations.
- The Licensee shall provide Municipality of Jasper cannabis consumption information in the retail space to clients and visitors.
- The Licensee shall operate within the retail operating hours of 10:00am to midnight.
- The Licensing and Enforcement Manager may suspend or revoke a business licence if the
  Licensing and Enforcement Manager determines that a licensee has contravened any federal or
  provincial legislation or a Municipality of Jasper bylaw.
- ..others....

Next, is the issue of the cost of the business license. As there is no revenue sharing agreement for the taxation collected on the sale of cannabis with either federal or provincial governments, municipalities must take on significant costs in licensing and use enforcement, however cannot tax cannabis sales to recover the costs. Many municipalities are reported in the media as considering increasing the business license cost to attempt to recover these costs through business license fees. For example:

- Edmonton is considering a cannabis retail licence fee of \$2,500 a year compared to \$235 for liquor stores.
- Vancouver is considering a business licence fees of \$30,000 for marijuana dispensaries vs private liquor stores at \$372
- Saskatoon is proposing charging legal pot shops \$20,000 for a business licence

Jasper currently charges \$165.00 for all business licenses, from a small business to a large hotel. Any fee change from this would require discussion at Council on the philosophy and direction of the fee. Administration costs are the same for every license, regardless of the scale of business activities, however, costs like fire inspections vary. The goal of enforcement, compliance, and inspections is to provide a level playing field for all businesses. The question will be if cannabis retail should be charged a different fee in Jasper.

#### Attachments:

Municipality of Jasper Council resolutions regarding cannabis retail, made Augusts 24, 2018.



August 27, 2018

#### Re: Cannabis retail in Jasper - Council decisions

To whom it may concern,

This letter confirms that the Council of the Municipality of Jasper, in the province of Alberta, passed the following resolutions regarding the retail of cannabis in Jasper at its regular meeting on August 14, 2018:

MOTION by Councillor Journault – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the licensing of cannabis
retail outlets within the Municipality of Jasper, subject to retail outlets being compliant with all
applicable Federal and Provincial statutes and regulations.

FOR AGAINST 6 Councillors 0 Councillors

**CARRIED** 

• MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support cannabis retail outlets be located at grade, below grade or above grade within the C1 (commercial) district without limitation in number or location of outlets.

FOR AGAINST

5 Councillors 1 Councillor (Councillor Damota) CARRIED

• MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support cannabis retail operating hours be restricted from 10:00 am to midnight.

FOR AGAINST

4 Councillors 2 Councillors (Councillors Damota & Journault) CARRIED

 MOTION by Councillor Kelleher-Empey – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct administration to apply to the Government of Alberta for a variance to remove the 100 meter provincial buffer from cannabis retail stores to provincial health care centres and schools in Jasper.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

MOTION by Councillor Wilson – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support all properties zoned C1 –
commercial district be eligible for cannabis retail licensing, including within the 100 meter provincial
buffer between cannabis retail stores and provincial health care facilities and schools in Jasper.

FOR AGAINST



6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

MOTION by Councillor Damota – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to provide a
copy of these resolutions to Parks Canada with a request that Parks Canada amend or adjust its
Land Use Regulations, policies or guidelines, and all other statutory, regulatory or administrative
documents and provisions as necessary, to give effect to the foregoing resolutions.

FOR AGAINST

6 Councillors 0 Councillors CARRIED

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kayla Byrne

Legislative Services Coordinator

Municipality of Jasper



# **REQUEST FOR DECISION**

**Subject:** Amend cannabis retail resolution: Hours of Operation

**Prepared by:** Kayla Byrne, Legislative Services Coordinator

**Reviewed by:** Christine Nadon, Legislative Services Manager

**Date – Discussion:** September 11, 2018

Date – Notice: July 17, 2019

**Date – Decision:** September 18, 2018

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### **Recommendation:**

 That Council amend motion #158/18 due to a clerical error which affected the meaning of the resolution.

That Council support cannabis retail operating hours be restricted to 10:00 am to midnight.

#### **Background:**

At the August 14, 2018 regular meeting Council passed six resolutions regarding the retail of cannabis in Jasper, including the following resolution:

MOTION by Councillor Butler – BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support cannabis retail operating hours be restricted from 10:00 am to midnight.

FOR AGAINST

4 Councillors 2 Councillors (Councillors Damota & Journault)

**CARRIED** 

While the intent of the resolution is to allow cannabis retailers to operate between 10 am and midnight, the use of the word "from" as opposed to "to" in the original motion suggests cannabis retail stores should be closed between the aforementioned times.

Adhering to section 11.14 of Procedure Bylaw #190, if a motion succeeds, a councillor may introduce a motion calling on Council to rescind the motion or amend a motion previously adopted provided that the councillor sets out in writing what special or exceptional circumstances warrant further debate.

#### **Relevant Legislation:**

• Procedure Bylaw #190

#### **Communications:**

• The amended resolution will be sent to Parks Canada any other appropriate parties.

August 29, 2018

Mayor Ireland and Council Municipality of Jasper PO Box 520 Jasper, Alberta TOE 1E0





Dear Mayor Ireland and all members of Council,

On behalf of the Alberta Recreation & Parks Association (ARPA) we wish to invite you and your colleagues to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Greener Facilities Conference and Expo presented by the Alberta Recreation and Parks Association on November 14-15, 2018 at the Edmonton Inn and Conference Centre.

In most municipalities the cost of operating facilities is a significant cost and has an impact on fees and taxes. The mandate of this event is to provide councils and their administrators with the following:

- Examples from speakers addressing specific opportunities and challenges associated with energy efficiency and a reduced ecological footprint;
- ✓ Innovative new technology products and services demonstrated by companies and consultants at the tradeshow expo, helping facilities deliver on their environmental and efficiency goals;
- ✓ Best practices sharing through sessions and networking with other like-minded sector decision makers and practitioners;
- ✓ Real-life solutions from municipalities and organizations who have already moved to energy efficient methods; and
- ✓ Information on grants, funding and cost-saving.

I want to highlight a few of our keynote speakers:

- Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program Justin Smith, Energy Efficiency Alberta This session will overview the legislation that allows municipalities to establish programs that will make it more affordable for Albertans to upgrade their properties (commercial, residential and agricultural) without having to put money down.
- Les Quinton (Town of Black Diamond) This session will highlight key considerations in cost effective and greener decision making and planning.

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\* Blatchford - This session will focus on the green infrastructure and renewable energy that is being incorporated into the subdivision. Living, working and learning in a sustainable community that uses 100% renewable energy, is carbon neutral, significantly reduces its ecological footprint, and empowers residents to pursue sustainable lifestyle choices.

Program sessions, registration and accommodation information can be found at <a href="https://arpaonline.ca/events/greener-facilities-conference-expo/">https://arpaonline.ca/events/greener-facilities-conference-expo/</a>

We look forward to see you there.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Laurin President Hello Kayla,

The Jasper Canada Day Committee is applying for non-matching funds from CFEP (maximum of \$10 000) to purchase up to 40 tables and 2 new bbq's for use on Canada Day. The tables will also be available for community use throughout the year and the Culture & Recreation Department has offered to store and administer the use of the equipment.

On behalf of the Committee I am requesting a Letter of Support showing the high level of community impact this project will have. Approximately 70% of attendees at Canada day activities are from the local community – the major events where this equipment will be used being the Pancake Breakfast and BBQ in the Park. Aside from Canada Day activities, the tables will be made available for public use throughout the year and will be stored at the Jasper Activity Centre. Community groups that will also benefit from access to tables for use in our public facilities include, but are not limited to, Minor Sports outdoor events, Not-for Profit fundraisers (e.g. Sparkle Run), Environment Week and Parks Day activities as well as Jasper In January. The letter will be required for the application deadline on September 15, 2018.

Please add this request to the next Council agenda for consideration.

Thanks for supporting Jasper events!

Barb Dyck Jasper Canada Day Committee