

memorandum

DATE: JUNE 15, 2015
TO: HON. MAYOR & MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL
FROM: GUS MICHAELS, DIRECTOR BY-LAW & COMPLIANCE
RE: COMMUNICATION – COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 23, 2015

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Report No.	<u>24 (CW)</u>
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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ITEM #19, REPORT NO. 24
TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO LITTERING/DUMPING AND DEBRIS BY-LAWS**

Recommendation:

The Director By-Law & Compliance recommends:

1. That By-law No. 3-2004 (Littering & Dumping), as amended, be further amended by adding the following section under Section 2 – General Provisions:

2.(2.1) No Person shall discharge or permit the leaking of any engine oil, transmission fluid, petroleum products/fluids or any other fluids, liquids or similar materials onto the property of the City of Vaughan or any highway.
2. That the appropriate concurrent amendments be made within the relevant sections of the aforementioned by-law, accordingly.

Purpose

The purpose of this communication is to seek approval from City Council to make a further minor amendment to the City's Litter & Dumping By-law, No. 3-2004.

On June 2, 2015, at its meeting of the Committee of the Whole, Item #19, Committee considered a report from the Interim Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and the Director of By-law & Compliance recommending two technical amendments to City By-laws that govern waste, litter and debris on lands, property and highways within the City of Vaughan. The proposed amendments specifically revised the definition of the terms "Waste" and "Debris", to include "any article that is discarded or otherwise appears abandoned." The intended purpose of these proposed amendments was to provide an avenue for effectively removing and discarding abandoned shopping carts, or any other items found on private and public property currently not included.

A further review by By-law & Compliance staff, along with communications with a member of the public, identified the need for a further amendment to include a section in the General Provision Section of By-Law No. 3-2004 Littering & Dumping, for the authority to address unwanted discharge of fluids, oils and like material onto municipal property and highways within the City. There are no identified financial or resource implications associated with the proposed further amendment.

The following minor amendment has been included in the draft By-law on the Council agenda of June 23, 2015, for enactment.

In order to clarify/grant the authority for City staff to deal with unwanted leaking and discharge of fluids on properties and highways within the City, the inclusion of the above noted amendment will effectively satisfy this identified need.



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Respectfully, Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gus Michaels'.

Gus Michaels, Director
By-law & Compliance

CC: Steve Kanellakos, City Manager
Heather Wilson, Interim Commissioner Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor