

# The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Legislative & Clerk Services

**To:** Mayor and Members of Council

From: Robert Auger, Director Legislative Services & Clerk

Date to Council: January 28, 2025

Report Number: LCS-2025-01

**Subject:** Private Property Towing Application for 12237 Riverside Drive,

Dan's Nautical Shop

#### Recommendations

It is recommended:

**That** Report LCS-2025-01 Private Property Towing Application for 12237 Riverside Drive Dan's Nautical Shop **be received**;

**And that** the Application submitted by the owner for Private Property Towing at 12237 Riverside Drive, **be approved**;

**And further that** By-Law 2025-002 **be considered** for first, second, third and final readings.

## **Background**

By-Law 2003-58, being a by-law to prohibit parking on private property without the consent of the owner or occupant, and to provide for the towing away of motor vehicles, was adopted in 2003. This by-law provides authority and a procedure whereby the owner or occupant (owner) of a private property has the ability to remove a vehicle which has been parked or left on a property without the consent of the owner.

To enforce the provisions of the by-law, the owner must submit a "Request and Authorization to Remove Vehicle From Private Property Application" (Application) to the

Legislative Services Department. The Application is placed before Council for approval, and if approved, the property address is added to By-Law 2003-58 schedule A for inclusion.

The by-law also requires that if approved for private property towing, the parking lot is to be signed, preferably at the entrance of the parking lot to alert persons who park illegally of the by-law provisions and to allow the towing company to recover the towing fee and storage costs. Requesting property owners must also make arrangements with a towing company and identify the towing company's name and phone numbers on any signs erected for private parking.

#### **Comments**

The Town has received an Application from the property owner at 12237 Riverside Drive where Dan's Nautical Shop is located. In Attachment 1, a map of the property has been provided to illustrate (8) eight parking spots available for this business. The request was submitted by the owner over recent continuing concerns with available parking for his business and the challenges experienced with unauthorized vehicles parking overnight or parked cars being blocked in by other vehicles visiting other local businesses in the area. Currently, the Applicant does not have any enforcement measures available to resolve a parking issue other than wait for an owner to return to their vehicle which, in some cases, could be several hours.

The Applicant has made arrangements with a local towing company and provided towing and storage costs (at prevailing rates) if an unauthorized vehicle is removed. This information will be provided on the erected signs in the parking lot.

Administration is recommending that the Application be approved, and that By-Law 2025-001 be considered for first, second, third and final readings to amend By-Law 2003-58 for this address be added to schedule A.

#### **Consultations**

None

## **Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications with this report.

# **Link to Strategic Priorities**

Applicable	2023-2026 Strategic Priorities
	Sustainable Growth: Achieve prosperity and a livable community through sustainable growth.
	Community Health and Inclusion: Integrate community health and inclusion into our places and spaces and everything we do.
$\boxtimes$	Service Experience: Enhance the experience of Team Tecumseh and our citizens through responsive and respectful service.

# **Communications**

Not applicable	$\boxtimes$		
Website □	Social Media 🛚	News Release □	Local Newspaper

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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Recommended by:

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Attachment	Attachment
Number	Name
1	Map of area