By-Law Number 20-052
of
The Regional Municipality of Waterloo

A By-law to Amend By-law 20-035, A By-law to Require the Wearing of Face Coverings in Enclosed Public Places During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Whereas the Council of The Regional Municipality of Waterloo enacted By-law 20-035, A By-law to Require the Wearing of Face Coverings in Enclosed Public Places During the COVID-19 Pandemic (“Face Covering By-Law”); And Whereas the Council of The Regional Municipality of Waterloo wishes to extend the requirement for persons to wear a face covering while in certain enclosed public places to assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19 within The Regional Municipality of Waterloo;

Now Therefore the Council of The Regional Municipality of Waterloo enacts as follows:

1. The Face Covering By-law is amended to add subsection 1(5) (e.1) as follows:

“(e.1) common areas of multi-residential buildings and complexes;”

2. The Face Covering By-law is amended to add subsection 1(5.1) as follows:

“(5.1) Notwithstanding subsection (5) of this section, a Taxi-cab that is licensed pursuant to the Taxi By-law of The Regional Municipality of Waterloo shall be deemed for the purposes of this section to be an "enclosed public place" at all times when a passenger or passengers are within the Taxi-cab.”

3. The Face Covering By-law is amended to add subsection 1(6.1) as follows:

“(6.1) For greater certainty, an “enclosed public place” for the purposes of this section shall be deemed to be open to the general public even if a fee, reservation, membership, tenancy or permission to access the “enclosed public place” is required.”

4. The Face Covering By-law is amended to add subsection 1(9.1) as follows:

“(9.1) Notwithstanding subsection (9) of this section, in the case of an “enclosed public place” described in subsection (5.1) of this section, the signage required by subsection (9) shall be a minimum font size of 16 and shall be conspicuously posted within the Taxi-cab so that it is visible to all passengers.”

5. The Face Covering By-law is hereby amended by deleting subsection 1(10) and replacing it with the following:

“(10) A “person” in subsections (9) and (9.1) of this section shall include, but not be limited to, a corporation.”
6. The Face Covering By-law is hereby amended by deleting section 8 and replacing it with the following:

   “8. This By-law shall be deemed repealed and no longer in force and effect at 11:59 p.m. on May 31, 2021 unless either repealed before or extended by Council.”

7. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on September 28, 2020.

By-law read a first, second and third time and finally passed in the Council Chamber in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo this 23rd day of September, A.D., 2020.

Regional Clerk          Regional Chair