



**The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa
Staff Report**

Office of Protective Services

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Background


The Municipality has received correspondence from Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) informing that restaurants and bars have a new approval framework for temporary outdoor patios. This approval is to come from the Municipality.

Considerations

During the period of COVID-19, AGCO supported businesses allowing temporary outdoor patios to open as an extension of their licensed premises. During that time businesses approached the Municipality to extend their operations. The Municipality cooperated with the businesses to allow these extensions and verified compliance with all legislation.

Previously AGCO was the governing body to receive the application and approve the temporary outdoor patios. The AGCO has a new approval framework for temporary outdoor patios in now in effect. This framework requires the licensees to get approval for patio from their local Municipality.

For the Municipality to approve temporary outdoor patios, there should be in place some criteria to regulate the location and size of the temporary outdoor patios. Temporary outdoor patios can be located on private or public lands. Businesses located on private land would locate patios in parking lots, rear yards or front yards. Businesses, that have no yard or parking lot, would request to use public (Municipal property like sidewalks) lands for a patio.

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Staff Recommendation

The Assistant Director of Protective Services is requesting Council review policy to govern and regulate Temporary Outdoor Patios within the Municipality. I am making a recommendation to Council to pass a By-Law to adopt Temporary Outdoor Patios policy at next Regular Meeting of Council on March 7, 2023.

Attachments

Draft Policy Temporary Outdoor Patios