

Tim Del Greco

From: Phil - Lydia Hamm [REDACTED]
Sent: March 24, 2021 11:59 PM
To: Tim Del Greco; Robert Sassine; Nelson Santos; Gord Queen; Kim DeYong; Tony Gaffan; Laura Lucier; Thomas Neufeld; Larry Patterson
Subject: DRAFT BY-LAW 27-2021

To whom it may concern

I am against a number of the provisions in the vehicle parking bylaw, primarily the bylaws that regulate vehicles on owner's property. What is the primary purpose of this by-law other than to micro-manage our town as laid out in the third paragraph of the by-law.

I do not see a rationale for this bylaw except in a preamble on the web site that a survey was taken. Most people who are disgruntled, busybodies, and irritants to the community fill surveys. So why are you listening to those kind of people? Those who are content with the status quo, who live a peaceable life do not regularly fill out surveys. They often are too busy making a living. Have you interviewed people who actually own RV's, motor vehicles or trailers that are parked on their own property? It would not be hard to find people who would be in violation of this bylaw should it go into effect. I saw about 5 violations within a block of my house. You cannot pick on a couple of these. To be fair you have to give every one of these a fine. My community will not be happy to receive these fines as they have happily existed with freedom up to now and no one has complained.

There is no warning option as the bylaw is written. Unless every single household receives written notification that these are the bylaws of the town of Kingsville, and that everyone who moves to this community is informed of the same, there is no way in which people could hope to know the details of this proposed bylaw. Are there plans to distribute a bylaw notice with the details of the proposed by law to the community? I only discovered this through an ad in the newspaper by accident. How would I know that I am in violation of this new bylaw especially if I am a senior citizen without a cell phone and internet? (for clarification I am not one of those.)

If you do not notify people and they find out by a fine, there will be a lot of angry voters for the next round of elections. You guys in the office don't really care about that but the counselors do. If this bylaw is not enforced, you are hypocrites - making a law you don't enforce like your cat bylaws - they are a joke.

The definition of a driveway which cannot be a grassy area also implies that anyone who is trying to get ahead and may need a second vehicle for another family member must be able to spend an additional \$1000 for gravel to be put down on their lawn? Good luck in a time of lock down. It seems all you guys can think about is more and more bylaws that take in the money to justify your position. Citizens are not dumb.

Although our mill rate has not increased substantially our taxes have gone up year after year because the assessed value of our property has risen whether it is true or not. Our actual taxes have gone up faster than inflation. From 2015 - 2019 taxes rose by 13.13% but inflation was only 8.38%. Do we need more by-laws to take money from our citizens?

Whenever I see these kinds of bylaws it looks like the town is trying to make money by punishing its citizens. When citizens feel like they are being controlled in every area of their life they will rebel. They own the property which is being taxed in ever increasing amounts. They own their vehicles. As long as it is neat, why would you care? Counselors will lose their seats if people are fined. People do not forget.

Why are the fines \$150? Why not \$50. Or \$20? If I was a cynic I would say that you are people pleasers, looking for a bonus or pay raise. How much does it cost for paper work in an automated society? What a waste of police officer time.

I know that a lot of my friends and acquaintances could be affected by the changes and implementations of this bylaw as it stands if it is enforced.

Sincerely
Philip Hamm

Tim Del Greco

From: Ed Hardy [REDACTED]
Sent: March 20, 2021 2:14 PM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: Fwd: Parking of Recreational Vehicles on Public and Private Property

Mr. Del Greco,

I am opposed to the proposed changes to the regulations concerning the storage of recreational vehicles on private property,

In particular item 3-3 , the limit of 1 vehicle per property. I have been a full time resident of Cedar Island since 1967 and

I own 4 lots here. I have 2 smaller boats which I store in my side lot . One is a 19' boat I use in the lake and the other

is a 16' I use in the creek. When I store these boats, or empty trailers, on my side lot, as I have done for decades, they are

totally hidden from public view by a row of evergreens. If I have to spread these trailers over my other lots, they will be more visible.

This would seem counterproductive to your end goal. Your bylaw would seem better suited to inside the conventional town limits or

new subdivisions than in the areas previously known as Gosfield South.

Thank you for your consideration

Ed Hardy

Cedar Island

Tim Del Greco

From: Cathy Stephenson [REDACTED]
Sent: March 21, 2021 8:28 AM
To: Tim Del Greco; Robert Sassine
Subject: Proposed bylaw change

Hello,

I have just read the current proposal allowing recreational vehicles to park in residential driveways and I have serious concerns. We live in Golfside Village and already have issues with visibility due to so many cars parked on the road. So, if you allow commercial and recreational vehicles to park in the driveways, more cars will be parked on the road putting the residents and children at risk. We do not have sidewalks on our street, so we walk on road and the children ride bikes on the road. It is already an issues of safety please do not make it even more dangerous!

Sincerely,

Cathy & Rick Stephenson
[REDACTED]

Tim Del Greco

From: Frank Merlihan [REDACTED]
Sent: March 23, 2021 12:26 PM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: Re: proposed amendments Section 14(5) of traffic bylaw 21-2005

Thanks for taking the time to call and respond so quickly.

By the way another time I got a call was when I was parking my motorhome in the green P lot, I was parking it there while I was grading the lot and another time when repairing the roof on one of the buildings. I was not trying to abuse the privilege, when I got the call about moving it, the vehicle was removed immediately. Rob was very cordial in asking me to move it.

I love this great Town, glad to be an ambassador, wasn't born here, however feel very integral to it now having lived here for 15 years.

As mentioned, sometimes I have crossed paths with Mr. or Mrs. My Family has been here since 1803, somehow they feel the need to educate me on their eminent domain of all things Kingsville.

It happens quite often.

Never feel I'm above the law, always want to be kind, however when someone wants to take respect off the table, my philosophy changes.

I had another conversation with a Kingsvillian just minutes ago, and they said there are a whole lot of residents that are concerned with this issue of unfriendly feeling towards recreation lifestyle, and it is very odd, when we live in a Town that is all about living on the lake and enjoying recreation.

Tim, may I suggest that we make it clear to all parties this is a draft.

Here are major concerns after having read the proposal.

Appendix C:

Heading does not state or differentiate that private property is residential, farm. There is no wording about excluding commercial private property.

Parking of recreational vehicles:

3-(4) (6)

Part 1 Provincial Offences Act.

11-(4)

16-(5) (4)

19-(5) (6)

10-(3) (6)

Parking of commercial vehicle:

7-(4)

I have had tenants that are tradespeople and park their commercial vehicle in my parking lot, sometimes 3 vehicles because these were 3 separate tenants in one building.

This can become very difficult if sharing a drive, lot, etc if we are talking about a multi unit complex. This could be a triplex, duplex or any multi unit building.

We need to be clear that these residential or multi-plex buildings, parking lots are not punished due to poor, perverted or manipulative interoperation of said bylaws.

I have witnessed competitors of tenants trying to enforce bylaws to mess with said tenants.

The bylaw must be clear, we're not talking about allowing a person to have a junkyard, we're talking about the right to park your licensed vehicle, in working order, to park in a private drive without hindrance.
May calmer heads prevail.

I would ask for clarity on these concerns at your earliest timeframe.

Kindly,
Frank Merlihan

On Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 08:50:18 a.m. EDT, Tim Del Greco [REDACTED]rote:

Hi Frank,

Thanks for the call. As discussed, please review the proposed by-law (attached) and let me know if you have any comments that you would like included on the Council agenda.

Thanks

Tim

From: Frank Merlihan [REDACTED]
Sent: March 22, 2021 9:28 PM
To: Tim Del Greco [REDACTED]
Subject: proposed amendments Section 14(5) of traffic bylaw 21-2005

Good day Tim,

I am quite concerned with the vagueness of the proposed changes to Bylaw 21-2005 section 14(5) or any other sections to this bylaw with regard to private property.

So I am requesting you submit to me clear plans on what the municipality is considering as private property.

Does this include commercial property with parking lots?

Large lots with parking in rear of property?

Farm property?

Greenhouse & commercial food property?

Trucking property?

I want to understand, is this an issue with people parking boats, R.Vs trailers on their private property out front in public view, or ZERO parking on any property even if out of view of the street?

We better find the line called reason

I have a concerned citizen list of around 300 Kingsville property owners, who all want to know what clearly are we trying to remedy or repeal?

I also want to let you know that if this is about removing any and all from any and all property, even if it is out of sight(i.e.) back alleys, well off of street, or behind a structure, your going to have a hell of a battle both legally and financially.

This will be taken to the OMB if there is any egregious over-reach with regard to No parking any recreation vehicle anywhere even if out of view. I have lived in many parts of Ontario and a few other provinces, some municipalities have a out of sight restriction.

F.Y.I. you will be heading into very testy waters when it comes to Motorhomes, as they are licensed for the road and are a living space at the same time.

In the U.S. many municipalities lost huge dollars on trying to lump motorhomes in with trailers, boats and atv's. Why?

Because a motorhome is a single licensed vehicle, self propelled like a car, it isn't towed separately, like a trailer or boat. As well there are over 4 million full year motorhomers in the U.S. and they carry tremendous clout.

I ask that you respond to my many questions well before the April 12 2021 meeting, as I wish to know how to proceed with this.

Regard,

Frank Merlihan 

Tim Del Greco

From: Andy Dowling [REDACTED]
Sent: March 24, 2021 3:38 PM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: Re: Recreational Vehicle Driveway Parking

Found the bylaw amendment to allow parking during summer months that is not what is out there being discussed on social media and Tim's driveway. 100% agree with the actual bylaw. Sorry made an assumption from two guys I normally trust stating a total summer ban. I am for the bylaw as I have now read it. Will start debunking the myths out there.

Regards,

Andy

On Mar 24, 2021, at 2:58 PM, Tim Del Greco [REDACTED] wrote:

Thanks Andy, appreciate the comments, but not sure I understand your perspective. Kingsville has not historically allowed driveway parking. The proposed by-law would allow driveway parking.

Just trying to clarify, are you in support of the proposed by-law?

From: Andy Dowling [REDACTED]
Sent: March 24, 2021 2:17 PM
To: Tim Del Greco [REDACTED]
Subject: Recreational Vehicle Driveway Parking

Tim,

In a time when these vehicles are the only get away during a pandemic and this is the highest priority for our great town of Kingsville on the Lake.

I hope that you will consider some of the following issues this will create. 1. Not enough marina spaces in town for the boats that are here in Kingsville.

2. Not enough storage space available locally for the trailers and campers that Kingsville Taxpayers own.

3. Unsightly look of the storage yards that will have all of these extra utility trailers, snowmobile trailers, boats, campers and RV's.

4. Theft and vandalism of these units being all stored in common areas. 5. Increased traffic through the town as these vehicles will be being towed throughout the municipality when they will be stored and then when they are going to be used.

I think Kingston and some of the other Municipalities have done the opposite as seen in the article I shared. Restrictions for sure especially on size but not an outright ban.

During the pandemic first responders, front line workers use their trailers for isolation from their families to keep them safe this is another reason this should have restrictions but not an outright ban.

<https://www.thewhig.com/news/local-news/boats-rvs-allowed-in-driveways-under-new-parking-rules-in-kingston#:~:text=Article%20content,to%2072%20hours%20each%20month>.

Tim Del Greco

From: Robert Stafford [REDACTED]
Sent: March 22, 2021 6:10 PM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: Rec vehicles by lake

We are one of the families affected by such a bizarre bylaw. A quick drive along the shore reveals literally dozens of owners who store their boats on their lakefront property in contravention of the bylaw, yet homeowners across the street do so without fear.

I have asked many councillors as to the origin of this bylaw and none have given a satisfactory answer. Many owners can even launch their boats from their property yet can't store it there unless inside a building.

I would respectfully ask council to consider amending this bylaw to allow us to store our boats, jet skis etc on our property.

Regards.

Robert Stafford from my iPhone

Tim Del Greco

From: Sue Boekestein [REDACTED]
Sent: March 22, 2021 6:32 PM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: Recreational boat and trailer bylaw parking in Kingsville

Regarding the above bylaw to be decided on April 12th in residential areas, I would prefer it is kept and these vehicles not be allowed to park in driveways other than the time allowed to clean and prepare them for travel.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

I would like to be kept up to date on any changes?

Sue Boekestein,

Sent from my iPad

Tim Del Greco

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: March 23, 2021 5:34 AM
To: Councillors; Jennifer Astrologo; Tim Del Greco; [REDACTED]
Subject: recreational parking of vehicles and garbage containers

In regards to the parking of a recreation vehicle like boat or camping trailer, I have no issues with anyone using their driveway to park a recreational vehicle as long as the driveway can accommodate their cars as well..

Also with the new park being established at the Lions park and the nice walk way coming from Division St S, Garbage contains now have to be added a bags with dog crap are being left along the fence line of the property on both north and south sides of that walkway. Recycle containers would be a nice touch too.

Ted Rocheleau
[REDACTED]

Tim Del Greco

From: Paul Andrews [REDACTED]
Sent: March 22, 2021 9:52 AM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: recreational parking

I support banning recreational vehicle parking (including boats) in personal driveways. This becomes an eyesore for the area. Also, if you live in a townhouse, you probably share a driveway and this would really be an eyesore.

Thanks
Paul Andrews
[REDACTED]


Tim Del Greco

From: Laura Seabourne [REDACTED]
Sent: March 23, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Tim Del Greco
Subject: Trailer bylaw

Just read that there is going to be an amendment made to the trailer bylaw. We think it's a great idea. You have our support.

Laura and George Seabourne

Sent from my iPhone



April 5, 2021

Mr. Rob Sassine

Town of Kingsville

2021 Division Road North

Kingsville Ontario

N9Y 2Y9

Dear Mr. Sassine

I am writing regarding the proposed by-law 27-2021. I have several concerns with the proposed by-law. They are as follows:

As per the proposed by-law, the definition of a "commercial vehicle" is a motor vehicle not exceeding 4500 kg GVWR. Based on this definition almost all personal vehicles on the road would be "commercial vehicles" as there is nothing that defines them as commercial or personal. For the purpose of my concerns, I will assume that the by-law intends to define any vehicles with a commercial logo, as the definition of all vehicles seems broad.

Section 7 (2) states that a commercial vehicle must not be greater than 4500 kg GVWR. A GMC 2500 Sierra has a GVWR of 4800 kg. This essentially bans all trucks larger than a ½ ton and this will affect many of the contractors that live in our community. Many people own larger trucks to pull work or recreational trailers and this by-law bans parking them at their own home.

Section 7 (3) states that the commercial vehicle must be only on a driveway or fully contained within a garage. I fail to recognize the difference between a commercial vehicle and a non-commercial vehicle of the same type and why one can park on the street and one cannot. It cannot be for safety as both vehicles take the same footprint and sightlines.

Section 7 (4) states that only one commercial vehicle may be parked in the driveway at one time. Does this ban two people from the same home, having company vehicles and being able to park at home? What if a couple both work in the same family business? What if two people work for contractors?

Section 3 (5) states that a recreational vehicle may be located on a driveway from May 1 – October 31 and Section 3(6) dictates it must be 5' from a curb, trail or sidewalk. There are several concerns here. Why does one side of a road get to park closer to the road than the one with the sidewalk? Where will the people park their personal vehicle if a trailer is taking up their driveway? This will add to more vehicles being parked on the street which lessens safety. Is there anything that prohibits someone from staying in the trailer? Could trailers become extensions of the home for summer residents, rentals or seasonal workers? There is nothing limiting the size of recreational vehicle or trailer. The largest motor homes are the same size as some transports but there is nothing limiting this.

This by-law, with its inclusion of recreational vehicles and trailers and its exclusion of commercial vehicle, seems to say that the working class is not welcome in Kingsville. Perhaps we should focus more on allowing those that need to make a living than those that can afford to play. The phrase "pay to play" comes to mind. If you cannot afford to store your boat or trailer, then maybe you just can't afford it. With the continued reduction in Kingsville home affordability; this would be one more statement saying Kingsville is only interested in the upper class of our society.

On a personal note, I moved to a nice subdivision to get away from things like trailers in yards and bonfires and would have moved to a trailer park if this was what I was looking for. The backyard fire allowance has been a disaster from my view as it pits neighbor against neighbor when common sense does not prevail. I predict the same will happen with this by-law if it passes.

Rather than only pointing out the problems, I would like to propose solutions that may still accomplish what the by-law was going for without causing as many problems.

Raise the allowed GVWR of a vehicle to 6000 kg. This would allow up to a 3500 pickup. Also eliminate the distinction between commercial and non-commercial as there is no difference in their impact.

Eliminate 7(3) and 7(4) in their entirety and simply limit the presence by GVWR or possibly physical size as well.

Increase the setbacks for recreational vehicles to 5 m from a sidewalk or 7 m from a curb to ensure proper sightlines for traffic. There also needs to be a distance from a side lot line. A physical size restriction should also be added, similar to the restrictions on commercial vehicles.

There should be a restriction to living in a trailer either entirely or to a limit of a few days per month.

Thank you for allowing the voicing of concerns

Dave Cours



Subject:
Date:



Fwd: Town Council Meeting - May 25, 2021 = Parking of RVs and trailers
April 9, 2021 2:31:51 PM

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GQ

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:



Good afternoon:

I am just writing to put on record that I am against the change in bylaw regarding the parking of RVs and trailers in driveways in Kingsville. I absolutely see nothing wrong with the current bylaw and support that. Personally, I would not like to be looking out my front window at these items in driveways for extended periods of time (for other than loading and unloading), nor do I want to be in my backyard to see it on my rear neighbours driveway.

We live on the corner of Saddle Lane and Sandybrook and had issues a few years ago with the neighbour behind us (whose address is actually on Sandybrook). He brought a trailer home several times during two seasons and left it there for a week or more at a time. Not only was it unsightly, but it hindered his neighbour being able to safely back out of his driveway.

I complained to the town about this on numerous occasions. Personnel from the town came out once and spoke to them. I heard the owners saying they had just brought the trailer there that day, which was totally false. It had been there for 9 days. Nothing was done as the town said it was impossible to determine how long the vehicle had been there in order to enforce the bylaw. Apparently me documenting it and taking pictures was not sufficient.

I think we have enough enforcement issues as the bylaw now stands and don't need to expand it.

Respectfully,

Brenda Gagnier
342 Saddle Lane
Kingsville ON N9Y 4A6

Subject:
Date:

Re: Recreational boat and trailer bylaw parking in Kingsville
May 11, 2021 4:08:27 PM

Regarding 21-2005 Del Greco & 27-2021 Volare

Good Afternoon,

I voiced my opinion on the proposed bylaw amendment March 22/2021 going to council in May 2021 having been delayed for more consideration.

I believe you stated further consideration in line with our growing and active community is being allowed. To loosen restrictions for this reason is an excuse to appease the loudest voices and would show inability to stand by your rules when faced with opposition. Result, recreational vehicles in driveways and cars parked all over the street 24/7.

This is a danger especially at 3 and 4 way stops where visibility would be impaired.

We are a definite NO - We purchased in a subdivision because of certain rules and restrictions and would like to keep our properties and our streets clean and free of accidents caused by traffic and road clutter.

Thank you for your consideration. Please consider this at your May 25 Council Meeting?

Sincerely,

John & Sue Boekestein

On Tue, Mar 23, 2021 at 8:04 AM Tim Del Greco <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thanks for the feedback Sue. It is going to Council on April 12. You can keep up to date by visiting this link (Council agendas and live video feeds):

<https://calendar.kingsville.ca/council/Index?StartDate=01/01/2021&EndDate=12/31/2021>

Take care.

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: March 22, 2021 6:32 PM

To: Tim Del Greco [REDACTED] >

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