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April 10, 2025

Attn: Kingsville Mayor and Town Council

Town of Kingsville
2021 Division Road North
Kingsville, ON N9Y 2Y9

Re: Intermunicipal Agreement or Joint Agreement related to taxi services in Leamington and Kingsville

Please be advised that the Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Leamington, at its meeting held Tuesday, April 8, 2025, enacted the following resolution:

No. C-79-25

- 1. Council direct Administration to engage the Town of Kingsville to discuss the idea of an intermunicipal agreement or joint agreement related to taxi services in Leamington and Kingsville.**

Carried

Leamington and Kingsville have a unique relationship with regard to taxicab services as many greenhouses have locations in both Leamington and Kingsville. It is often more efficient for a greenhouse to hire a taxicab from one Municipality to provide transportation to their other location and then to bring back passengers while in that other municipality. This is however illegal as it is considered a new fare and not permitted unless that taxi is also licensed in that other municipality. In an attempt to address this challenge and others, the Municipality of Leamington would be interested in entering into discussions with Kingsville about the feasibility and benefits of an inter-municipal agreement/ joint service agreement as it applies to licensing and regulating taxicabs.

Consideration would be given to the willingness to cooperate, costs associated, community support, political constraints, commitment involved, etc. Some benefits of this arrangement may include:

- Providing taxicab owners with more flexibility on how they operate their business. We have identified several instances where an owner has mistakenly used a vehicle in one municipality but is only licensed in the other.



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- Provisions that only require taxicab owners and drivers to apply and renew licences with one municipality and as such, less time spent on administrative work and only one fee.
- Owners and drivers who operate in both municipalities would not have to familiarize themselves with two different by-laws and requirements of them.
- Potential cost savings to the Municipality as a result of sharing expenses associated with taxi licensing.
- Leamington has By-law Enforcement Officers actively enforcing the taxi by-law whereas we believe that Kingsville does not currently have a similar level of enforcement and rely on the Ontario Provincial Police for enforcement.
- Leamington has established licensing program and Appeal Committee that Kingsville could benefit from.
- Solutions to current challenges with enforcing the by-law as noted previously.

We would be interested in organizing a meeting to explore this initiative further between Leamington administration and Kingsville administration should Kingsville be interested.

Sincerely,

Brenda M. Percy

Brenda M. Percy,
Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk