



Date: April 14, 2025

To: Mayor and Council

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RE: 2025 Hogs for Hospice

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That road closures of Main Street (from Spruce Street to Chestnut Street) and Division Street (from King Street to Pearl Street) from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturday, August 2, 2025, for the Hogs for Hospice Registered Ride, **be approved.**

BACKGROUND

On February 12, 2025, the Special Events Review Team (SERT) reviewed the 2025 Hogs for Hospice Registered Ride event plan.

Any festival or event that desires to use Municipal property or resources, including the closure of public streets, must present a proposal to SERT for review.

Hogs for Hospice & Health Care is a fundraiser organized by a group of dedicated volunteers under the leadership of the Hogs for Hospice & Health Care Board of Directors. Funds go to Erie Shores Hospice Campus, which serves Kingsville residents.

DISCUSSION

The 2025 "Tour the Tip" event will occur on Saturday, August 2, 2025. It will include 2,000 motorcycles on a four-hour organized ride that leads riders to the southern tip of mainland Canada inside Point Pelee National Park. The ride then heads across the County, with a short rest stop in Kingsville, before returning to Seacliff Park.

The lunch in Kingsville will require parking for up to 2,000 motorcycles on both sides of the street, leaving access for emergency response vehicles. To support this, the Hogs for Hospice organizers requested the following streets to be closed from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

- Main St. from Chestnut St. to Spruce St.
- Division St. from King St. to Pearl St.

Should Council approve the street closure, as in the past, administration requires that Hogs for Hospice organizers complete the following items:

- To have volunteers at the barricades,
- To have several volunteers on each street ensuring the centre lane is left open for emergency vehicles,
- To provide a certificate of insurance naming the Town of Kingsville,
- To book and pay for port-a-johns to support the increased traffic, and
- To inform businesses and residents of the event.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

If the Hogs for Hospice event is approved, Administration will assign staff:

- from Public Operations to close and open the streets, and support any usage of facilities, such as bathroom cleaning,
- from Programs/Events to coordinate the logistics of the event as per the SERT agreement, and,
- Economic Development & Tourism Officer to communicate with businesses pre-event/event and to engage in pre-event/event tourism opportunities.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Town's ban on single-use plastics was reviewed as part of the SERT process.

CONSULTATIONS

SERT Consultation:

- Windsor Essex County Health Unit
- Alcohol Gaming Commission of Ontario
- Ontario Provincial Police
- Essex Windsor Emergency Services
- Town of Kingsville Clerk and Legal Department
- Communications and Public Relations Coordinator
- Kingsville Parks, Recreation and Facilities
- Kingsville Public Works and Environmental Services
- Kingsville Fire and Rescue
- Kingsville Special Events and Recreation Programs
- Kingsville Building Department
- Economic Development/Tourism

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