



City of North Bay Report to Council

Report No: CSBU-2024-047

Date: September 17, 2024

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Business Unit:

Department:

Community Services

Planning & Building Department

Subject: Snowmobile Club – Land Use Agreement

Closed Session: yes no

Recommendation

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a License Agreement between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and North Bay Snowmobilers Club and South Shore Restoule Club to permit the use of City owned lands and road crossings for the operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles and grooming, maintenance, inspection and permitted construction activities and performing all activities ancillary thereto.

Background

In July 2021 Council passed By-law 2021-53 being a By-Law to Regulate, Govern and Prohibit the Operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles in the City of North Bay.

The Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs manages a number of trails on both private and public property. In December 2021, the City entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") to identify the locations where trails are on City land or within City road allowances.

The MOU is now being replaced by a license agreement between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and the North Bay Snowmobilers Club and the South Shore Restoule Club which will permit the use of City owned lands and road crossings for the operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles and grooming, maintenance, inspection and permitted construction activities and performing all activities ancillary thereto.

The license agreement addresses among other things, the Grant of License, the Permitted Uses, Term and Option to Extend the Term, Occupancy of the

Land, Design, Maintenance and Ongoing Operation, Insurance and Indemnification, Termination, Environmental Contamination and the trail locations. For further details, a copy of the License Agreement is attached hereto.

Financial/Legal Implications

The License Agreement was prepared in consultation with the City Solicitor and the City's insurance provider. Based on the terms of the License Agreement, it is recommended that the City enter into the Agreement to continue to support snowmobile activity within the community.

There is no financial implication to the City of North Bay.

Corporate Strategic Plan

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural North and Near | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Prosperity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Balanced Growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Spirited Safe Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Responsible and Responsive Government | |

Specific Objectives

- Leverage the natural environment to enhance healthy living and recreational opportunities;
- Promote the natural environment as a four-season destination for ecotourism;
- Promote and support public and private sector investment;
- Engage the business community in identifying and developing economic opportunities; and
- Build on existing sports community to drive sport-tourism.

Options Analysis

Option 1:

That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a License Agreement between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and North Bay Snowmobilers Club and South Shore Restoule Club to permit the use of City owned lands and road crossings for the operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles and grooming, maintenance, inspection and permitted construction activities and performing all activities ancillary thereto.

Option 2:

That the Mayor and City Clerk not be authorized to sign a License Agreement between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and North Bay Snowmobilers Club and South Shore Restoule Club to permit the use of City owned lands and road crossings for the operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles and grooming, maintenance, inspection and permitted construction activities and performing all activities ancillary thereto.

Recommended Option

Option 1 is the recommended option.

That the Chief Administrative Officer and City Clerk be authorized to sign a License Agreement between The Corporation of the City of North Bay and North Bay Snowmobilers Club and South Shore Restoule Club to permit the use of City owned lands and road crossings for the operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles and grooming, maintenance, inspection and permitted construction activities and performing all activities ancillary thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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I concur with this report and recommendation

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