



Report to: Commissioner Librecz

Date Report Authored: March 29, 2016

SUBJECT: Repeal By-Law 30-1999
PREPARED BY: Fire Chief Dave Decker

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) That the report dated March 29, 2016 and titled "Repeal By-law 30-1999" be received; and,
- 2) That By-law 30-1999, a by-law with respect to the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in homes, be repealed; and further,
- 3) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to, this resolution.

PURPOSE:

Enact a repealing By-Law to remove the current By-Law 30-1999.

The 2015 Ontario Fire Code has been revised to include the requirements for Carbon Monoxide Alarms as a result of a number of deaths in the home. One of the driving factors that led to the change to the Ontario Fire Code was Bill 18, Hawkins Ginac Act which was created by a Brantford Firefighter whose family members died in their home due to Carbon Monoxide poisoning. This movement started in 2013 leading the Province to make changes to the Ontario Fire Code and Provincially mandating Carbon Monoxide Alarms in the home.

BACKGROUND:

By-Law 30-1999 was created by the City of Markham because Carbon Monoxide Detectors were not Provincially mandated in the home. Most Municipalities decided to create their own By-Law to ensure that Carbon Monoxide detectors were provided in the home as a measure of life safety due to the increased use of gas appliances and to provide early detection to fire as carbon monoxide is a by-product of combustion.

It should also be noted that the name of the device has also been changed. Previously the devices were referred to as Carbon Monoxide Detectors. Now that the requirements are in the Ontario Fire Code the device is referred to as a Carbon Monoxide Alarm which provides consistency with the wording Smoke Alarm (another life safety alarm required in the home).

OPTIONS/ DISCUSSION:

None

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS AND TEMPLATE: (external link)

None

HUMAN RESOURCES CONSIDERATIONS

None

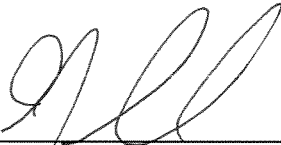
ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

N/A

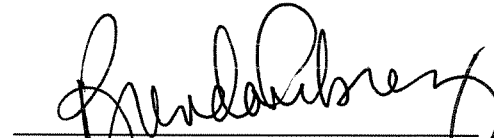
BUSINESS UNITS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:

Legal

RECOMMENDED BY:



Fire Chief Dave Decker



Commissioner Brenda Librecz

ATTACHMENTS:

By-Law 30-1999

Repealing By-Law