

comprehensive review of the original By-Law, No. 145 of 1991, found it to be outdated, cumbersome for interpretation and ultimately unable to effectively serve its purpose to full effect.

The proposed update will see changes incorporated for the purpose of;

- Reflecting current best practice established throughout many other municipalities in Ontario
- Providing better means and clarity for enforcement
- Consolidating amendments from 1991 to 2021 into a single source document
- Introducing a set fine schedule for non-compliance
- Avoiding unnecessary use of resources to further amend the By-Law piece by piece
- Improving the City's ability to protect our infrastructure and the interest of our tax base

It is important to note that maintaining a safe and well maintained Right-of-Way is in the best interest of the community as a whole, and the ability to effectively and efficiently enforce specific negligence is an important improvement to the By-Law as it exists today.

There are a number of frequent and recurring issues that are governed by the existing Streets By-Law. These issues do require significant staff time to pursue, particularly in cases of repetitive non-compliance. Some of the most common transgressions include;

- Landscaping obstructions – overhanging trees, shrubs, vegetation
- Failure to maintain the boulevard – overgrowth, destruction
- Discharge of water onto the right-of-way – pool water discharge
- Hoarding permit violations – deposit of debris, or failure to obtain a permit

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