



May 5, 2021

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Re: Lottery Licensing to Assist Small Organizations

At its Regular Council Meeting held on May 3, 2021, Town of Essex Council reviewed the enclosed correspondence from The Town of South Bruce Peninsula in regards to a request to provide lottery licensing for small organizations. Many small organizations are not considered charitable or not-for-profit and as a result, are not eligible to receive a lottery licence. This is despite the many volunteer hours spent dedicated to fund raising so as to help or assist those in need in their community. Without the benefit of lottery licensing this makes it very difficult for such organizations to raise the necessary funds to not only sustain their valuable organizations but also continue their charitable efforts. Now more than ever it is essential that we assist these small organizations to ensure their services continue to benefit our communities.

We request that you consider instituting an additional level of lottery licensing which would enable small organizations to obtain a lottery licence. Those that are not able to sustain a



non-profit or charitable status could still receive a lottery licence if their proceeds benefit the community.

Accordingly I am pleased to report that as a result of their review Council passed the following resolution:

R21-05-183

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Meloche

Seconded By: Councillor Bjorkman

That the correspondence from The Town of South Bruce Peninsula regarding lottery licensing to assist small organizations be received and supported, and

That a letter of support be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), MPP for Essex Taras Natyshak, the Attorney General, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario ("AGCO"), all County of Essex Municipalities and The Town of South Bruce Peninsula.

Carried

I trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Auger", written over a white background.

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