



Memorandum

Corporate By-law Number: 351-2024-Corporate Services-Revenue

TO: Office of the City Clerk **FILE:**

FROM: Rachel Labate - Accountant
Revenue, Corporate Services

DATE PREPARED: September 20, 2024

SUBJECT: By-law 351-2024 - A By-law to amend By-law 74-2018 – Municipal Accommodation Tax

MEETING DATE: City Council - October 7, 2024

By-law Description: A by-law to amend By-law 74-2018, a By-law to establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax, to change the Municipal Accommodation Tax rate from 4% to 5% and to remove administrative schedules.

Authorization: Corporate Report 262-2024-Corporate Services – Revenue – Committee of the Whole – September 23, 2024

By-law Explanation: The purpose of this by-law is to amend By-law 74-2018 to increase the Municipal Accommodation tax rate to 5% and to remove Schedule A and Schedule B from the by-law as they are administrative forms.

Schedules and Attachments:

Amended/Repealed By-law Number(s):



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THUNDER BAY
BY-LAW NUMBER 351-2024

A by-law to amend By-law 74-2018, being a by-law to establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax, by changing the Municipal Accommodation Tax rate to 5% and by removing administrative schedules.

Recitals

1. Section 400.1 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, SO 2001, c 25, (the “Act”) provides that the council of a local municipality may pass by-laws imposing a tax in respect of the purchase of Transient Accommodation within the municipality.
2. Council considers it desirable to increase the Municipal Accommodation Tax rate to be imposed on the purchase of Transient Accommodations within the City of Thunder Bay, in the District of Thunder Bay.
3. Council considers the forms for the collection of the Municipal Accommodation Tax to be administrative and not required to be included in the By-law.

ACCORDINGLY, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THUNDER BAY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Section 10 of By-law 74-2018 is amended by deleting this section in its entirety.
2. That Section 11 is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule A)” after the words Accommodation Establishment Information Form.
3. And that Section 11 is amended by re-numbering the Section as 10.
4. That Section 12 is amended by adding the words “Establishment” after the word Accommodation and by deleting the words “(Schedule A)” after the word Form.
5. And that Section 12 is further amended by re-numbering the Section as 11.
6. That Section 13 is amended by replacing this section with the following:

Effective January 1, 2025, the amount of five (5) per cent shall be the tax rate for the Municipal Accommodation Tax to be imposed on the Purchase Price of any Transient Accommodation.

7. And that Section 13 is further amended by re-numbering the Section as 12.
8. That Section 17 is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule B)” after the words Municipal Accommodation Tax Return Form.
9. And that Section 17 a) is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule B)” after the words Municipal Accommodation Tax Return Form.
10. And that Section 17 b) is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule B)” after the words Municipal Accommodation Tax Return Form.
11. And that Sections 17, 17 a) and 17 b) are amended by re-numbering the Sections as 16, 16 a) and 16 b).
12. And that Section 18 is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule B)” after the words Municipal Accommodation Tax Return Form and is further amended by replacing the words “section 17” with “section 16”.
13. And that Section 18 is further amended by deleting $A \times 4\% = B$ and replacing it with $A \times 5\% = B$.
14. And that Section 18 is further amended by re-numbering the section as 17.
15. That Section 19 is amended by replacing the words “section 17” with “section 16” and is further amended by re-numbering the section as 18.
16. That Section 20 is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule B)” after the words Municipal Accommodation Tax Return Form.
17. And That Section 20 is further amended by re-numbering the section as 19.
18. That Section 21 is amended by deleting the words “(Schedule B)” after the words Municipal Accommodation Tax Return and is further amended by replacing the words “section 17” with “section 16”.

19. And that Section 21 is further amended by deleting $A \times 4\% = B$ and replacing it with $A \times 5\% = B$.

20. And That Section 21 is further amended by re-numbering the section as 20.

21. That Schedule A – Accommodation Establishment Information Form and Schedule B – Municipal Accommodation Tax Return Form are deleted.

22. This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date it is passed.

Enacted and passed this 7th day of October, A.D. 2024 as witnessed by the Seal of the Corporation and the hands of its proper Officers.

Ken Boshcoff

Mayor

Krista Power

City Clerk