

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF THOROLD

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC FOURM COMMITTEE MINUTES

PF 1-2023

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 Council Chamber / Video Conference City of Thorold, City Hall, 3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold, ON

Council Members Present in the Council Chamber:	Mayor Ugulini, Councillors D'Angela, De Divitiis, DeRose, Longo, O'Hare, Sentance
Council Members Present by Video Conference:	Councillor Dekker
Staff Present in the Council Chamber:	S. Hansen, Legislative Assistant, J. Simpson, Director, Development Service, M. Trennum, City Clerk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

There were no declarations of interest.

3. <u>Public Forum Presentations</u>

3.1 City of Thorold By-law Compliance and Enforcement - Rental Properties

3.a. Applicant Presentation

Mark Lefebvre, Resident, presented to the Public Forum Committee concerning the following:

- his concerns regarding rental properties and by-law enforcement of these properties
- his responses from staff when making complaints
- provided information from police reports concerning his complaints about a specific property
- some recommendations to address concerns

3.a. Staff Response

J. Simpson, Director, Development Services, spoke about the following:

- by-law's response to the property
- police response to the property

4. <u>Questions from Public Forum Committee</u>

The Public Forum Committee enquired about the following:

- any noise reduction from threat of police action
- timing of the noise at the property
- whether the residents are students or not
- if video evidence is sufficient to lay a charge
- frequency of inspections of the property

Councillor D'Angela suggested establishing regulations for problematic houses, implement a graduated licence for rental houses, and having by-law report regularly on by-law infractions statistics. J. Simpson, Director, Development Services, advised that a report will be brought forward to a future Council meeting regarding proposed changes to residential licences.

Moved by:	Councillor D'Angela
Seconded by:	Councillor Sentance

That staff **REPORT** back on concerns addressed by the M. Lefebvre and the concerns that were addressed by Councillors during the Public Forum.

CARRIED

5. <u>Adjournment</u>

The Public Forum Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Terry Ugulini Mayor Per: Matthew Trennum City Clerk