

Notice of this motion is provided in accordance with the notice and submission deadline requirements of section 11.1 of the City of Thorold's Procedural By-law. Councillor Sentance seeks to bring forward a motion respecting a Pest Control Subsidy.

WHEREAS the City of Thorold does not have an overall program related to pest management and specifically rat control;

WHEREAS several lower tier municipalities within the Region of Niagara, including the City of Niagara Falls, City of Welland, City of St. Catharines, and Town of Lincoln have residential subsidy programs in place, and the City of Windsor has maintained a subsidy program for over 20 years;

WHEREAS licensed pest control vendors can help minimize risk considerations faced by City residents, as well as the local wildlife population;

AND WHEREAS the cost of retaining a licensed pest control vendor can be prohibitive;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Thorold enacts as follows:

1. That Staff **BE DIRECTED** to prepare a report outlining the options of maintaining a pest subsidy program for the City of Thorold; and
2. That the report **SHALL PROVIDE** information respecting the financial considerations of maintaining such a program as part of the City's 2025 Budget.