



Memorandum

Planning and Development Services

Prepared for: Regular Council

Meeting Date: Monday, April 28, 2025

Title: Black Creek Water Windows

The Town of Fort Erie Waterfront Strategy places an emphasis on creating Waterfront Windows for use and enjoyment of residents and visitors. Community Planning Staff have been working to complete a Waterfront Windows project in the Black Creek Neighbourhood that predates the current Staff.

The project has confirmed survey lines, informed residents that any encroachments need to be removed, installed signage that was previously prepared and stored at a Town facility and going forward will incorporate tree plantings along the boundaries of the windows, add benches and pathways at select locations.

Councillor Noyes contacted Staff to share two concerns from residents about the current signage installed at the Waterfront Windows:

1. The time listed is from 6am to 11pm
2. Dogs are currently not permitted at these locations (even on a leash)

As these signs were printed a few years ago, they do not reflect that *By-law No. 73-2021* was amended via *By-law No. 138-2022* to permit dogs in parks and public spaces excluding beaches on a leash. The current signs are consistent with Park and Open Space signs throughout the Town as these signs have not been updated since the new By-law was adopted. Staff do not foresee this as a significant issue because By-law Staff are aware of the new By-law and no one will be penalized for walking with their dogs on a leash in these public spaces.

The current times listed on the Waterfront Window signs are consistent with the hours posted for Parks and Open Spaces throughout the Town. For the purposes of consistency, Staff do not recommend changing the Waterfront Window times for one area. In addition, "Dusk to Dawn" will vary dependent on the time of the year and creates enforcement challenges.

Based on Council direction Staff could order decals (heavy duty stickers) to make the requested amendment to the signs. Staff estimate that this will cost about \$1000.00 for all 5 of the Black Creek Signs and would require an increase to the Park enhancement budget, however, Staff do not recommend amending these signs in isolation. Council may want to consider making this a larger project for Parks and Open Space signs throughout the entire municipality for consistency if a change at this location is desired.

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Welcome
Baker Road
Waterfront Window

Welcome
Creek Road
Waterfront Window

Welcome
Willow Grove
Waterfront Window

Welcome
Dale Avenue
Waterfront Window

Welcome
Quinn Road
Waterfront Window

FORT ERIE
Please Help Take Care
Of Our Waterfront

SURVEY: REQUIRED

SUPPLIED MAP

SCOPE OF WORK

1. Install Supplied Signs
- Qty 5
- Signs are complete, with existing graphics and previously assembled
- Existing Signs to be picked up from Town of Fort Erie: Gibson Centre 1818 Pettit Road, Fort Erie, ON L2A 5M4
- Excavation using auger
- Dry-bag cement to back-fill pre-cast footing (per previous)

INSTALL ONLY

- GRAPHICS SHOWN FOR REFERENCE ONLY - SIGNS ARE COMPLETE AND READY FOR INSTALL

COLOURS & FINISHES

Digital Print to match Pantone 7720 C	Digital Print to match Pantone 376 CVC Luster Finish
Digital Print Luster Finish	Digital Print Black Luster Finish
Digital Print to match Pantone 185 c Luster Finish	

Digital Print to match Pantone 5523 (50% Opacity) Luster Finish

Digital Print to match Pantone 376 CVC Luster Finish

Digital Print Black Luster Finish

SIGNATURE SIGN & IMAGE

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