



## STAFF REPORT

**Title:** Bylaw No. 856-LU-24 - Bylaw to Amend Land Use Bylaw No. 766-LU-23

**Meeting Date:** November 26, 2024

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**Executive Summary:**

Bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw No. 766-LU-23 to revise the definition of a Child Care Facility to remove the current restriction on overnight care.

**Background:**

The City has been approached by proponents interested in operating a child care facility that would offer service on a 24-hour basis, to accommodate families that work shiftwork and cannot otherwise find care during their working hours. Additionally, the Early Learning and Child Care Act, which establishes the operating requirements for child care facilities at the Provincial level, does not impose a restriction on the operating hours.

As it is currently written, the definition of a Child Care Facility in the City's Land Use Bylaw No. 766-LU-23 does not allow for overnight accommodation of children:

“Child Care Facility means a provincially regulated facility used for the provision of care, educational services, or supervision for seven (7) or more children during the day or evening without overnight accommodation. This use does not include a family day home or group home.”

Administration proposes amending the definition of a Child Care Facility as follows to remove the reference to overnight accommodation:

“Child Care Facility means a provincially regulated facility used for the provision of care, educational services, or supervision for seven (7) or more children. This use does not include a family day home or group home.”

Administration is recommending that Council proceed to give Bylaw No. 856-LU-24 first reading and direct Administration to schedule the statutory public hearing.



**Alternatives:**

Council May consider the following alternatives:

1. Proceed to give Bylaw No. 856-LU-24 first reading and direct Administration to schedule the statutory public hearing.
2. Defeat first reading of Bylaw No. 856-LU-24.
3. Accept as information only.

**Recommended Action:**

Administration recommends that Council proceed to give Bylaw No. 856-LU-24, being a Bylaw to Amend Land Use Bylaw No. 766-LU-23, first reading and direct Administration to schedule the statutory public hearing.

**Budget Implications (Yes or No):**

No

**Submitted by:**

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