CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

BY-LAW NO. 81-26

A By-Law for Licensing, Regulating and Governing of Door-to-Door Sales within the Municipality of North Grenville

WHEREAS subsection 11(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (the "Act"), authorizes a municipality to pass a by-law respecting the health, safety and well-being of persons;

AND WHEREAS subsection 11(3) of the Act, authorizes a municipality to pass a by-law respecting business licensing;

AND WHEREAS Section 128 of the Act, provides that a municipality may prohibit and regulate with respect to public nuisances, including matters that, in the opinion of Council, are or could become or cause public nuisances.

AND WHEREAS Section 391 of the Act, provides that a municipality may impose fees or charges on persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it;

AND WHEREAS section 429 of the Act, provides that a municipality may establish a system of fines for offences under a by-law of the municipality passed under that Act;

AND WHEREAS section 434.1(1) of the Act, provides that a municipality may require a person, subject to such conditions as the municipality considers appropriate, to pay an administrative penalty if the municipality is satisfied that the person has failed to comply with a by-law of the municipality passed under this Act;

AND WHEREAS section 43.1 of the Consumer Protection Act, 2002, as amended, prohibits a supplier from soliciting at a consumer's dwelling or at any other prescribed place for the supply of prescribed goods or services or enter into an agreement, unless the consumer has initiated the contact with the supplier and has specifically requested that the supplier attend their dwelling or other prescribed place;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville hereby enacts as follows:

DEFINITIONS

1. In this by-law:

   "Administrative Penalty By-law" means the Administrative Penalty By-law of the Municipality, as amended from time to time, or any successor thereof;

   "Designated provision" means any section of this By-law designated in accordance with section 18;

   "Director" means the Director of Planning & Development for the Municipality, or their designate;

   "Licence" means a licence issued by the Municipality that authorizes a Person to engage in Door-to-Door Sales in accordance with the provisions of this by-law:

   "Merchandise" means any goods, wares, foodstuffs, beverages, articles, products, or other tangible items, as well as services offered or sold in exchange for money or other consideration.

   "Municipality" means the corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville or the geographic area as the context requires;

   "Officer" means a person appointed by the Municipality as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer and any police officer;

“Person” includes an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, limited partnership, trust or corporation, or an individual in his or her capacity as a trustee, executor, administrator or other authorized agent;

“Door-to-Door Sales” means the activity of travelling from one residence or place of business to another within the Municipality for the purpose of selling, offering for sale, or soliciting interest in the purchase of goods, wares, or Merchandise to members of the public.

LICENSING PROVISIONS

2. Any Person seeking a Licence to engage in Door-to-Door Sales within the Municipality shall submit a complete application, including all required documentation, and shall pay the applicable fee as set out in the Fees and Charges By-Law.

3. Despite section 2, a single application may be submitted on behalf of multiple individuals, provided that all application requirements are satisfied for each individual named in the application.

4. The application requirements, including all supporting documentation and the method of submission, shall be determined by the Director. All applications shall be reviewed by an Officer, and the issuance of a Licence shall be at the discretion of the Officer.

5. Despite the provisions of this by-law, a licence shall not be issued to a Person seeking to sell prescribed Merchandise relating to:

    i. Furnaces;
    ii. Air conditioners;
    iii. Air clearners;
    iv. Air purifiers;
    v. Water heaters;
    vi. Water treatment devices;
    vii. Water purifiers;
    viii. Water softeners;
    ix. Duct cleaning services;
    x. Any goods or services that are a combination of or that perform the functions of goods or services listed in this sections;

6. A Licence may be issued for a single day or for multiple days, provided that the total number of days permitted for Door-to-Door Sales by a Person within a calendar year does not exceed ten (10) days.

7. A business, corporation, or other legal entity shall be limited to a cumulative total of ten (10) days of Door-to-Door Sales to be conducted on its behalf within a calendar year, regardless of the number of individual licensees or representatives engaged in such activity.

8. An Officer may refuse to issue a licence under this By-Law where, in their opinion, it is not in the public interest to do so, including but not limited to the following circumstances:

    i. The application is incomplete or contains false, misleading, or inaccurate information;
    ii. The application was not submitted within the required timeframes or in the manner required by the Director;
    iii. The applicant, or a business or corporation associated with the applicant, has a history of non-compliance with this by-law;
    iv. The Merchandise to be sold is deemed by the Officer to pose a risk to public health or safety, or is otherwise inappropriate for sale through Door-to-Door Sales;
    v. The applicant has a criminal record or has been convicted of an offence that, in the opinion of the Officer, makes the issuance of a Licence not in the best interests of the community.

OFFENCES

9. No Person shall engage in Door-to-Door Sales within the Municipality unless they hold a valid Licence issued by the Municipality.

10. Every person issued a licence under this By-Law, shall at all times while engaging in Door-to-Door Sales carry a copy of the Licence issued by the Municipality.

11. Every person issued a licence under this By-Law, shall upon demand by an Officer present the said Licence to the Officer.

12. No Person shall hinder, obstruct, or attempt to obstruct an Officer, in the performance of their duties under this By-Law.

13. Any Person contravening this by-law, shall upon request by an officer identify themselves by at least providing their name and address.

14. No Person shall engage in Door-to-Door Sales in the Municipality involving the prescribed Merchandise listed in section 5.

EXEMPTIONS

15. This by-law shall not apply to child and youth entrepreneur initiatives and registered charitable organizations.

ENFORCEMENT & PENALTIES

16. A licence issued under this By-Law may be revoked at any time by an Officer if the licensee is found to be in contravention of any provision of this By-Law or any condition attached to the licence.

17. Any person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is, upon conviction, guilty of an offence and is liable to any penalty as provided in the Provincial Offences Act.

18. Sections 9 through 14 of this By-law are hereby designated as parts of this By-law to which the Administrative Penalty By-law applies.

19. Any person shall, upon issuance of a penalty notice for a contravention of this By-law, in accordance with the Administrative Penalty By-law, be liable to pay an administrative penalty and any administrative fees, in accordance with the Administrative Penalty By-law.

20. All the provisions of this by-law continue to apply in the Provincial Offences Act in addition to the designated provisions of this by-law.

21. Where a person has not paid the administrative penalty within thirty (30) days in accordance with the Administrative Penalty By-law, the Municipality may add the administrative penalty to the tax roll for any property for which the owner or owners are responsible for paying the administrative penalty under Section 19.

ADMINISTRATIVE

22. The Clerk of the Municipality of North Grenville is hereby authorized to make any minor modifications or corrections of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantic or descriptive nature or kind to this by-law and schedules as may be deemed necessary after passage of this

By-Law, where such modifications or corrections do not alter the intent of the By-Law.

23. This By-law shall be known as the Door-to-Door Sales By-Law.

24. This By-Law shall come into force and effect on the day that it is passed.

PASSED AND ENACTED
This 7th Day Of July 2026.

Original Signed_____
Nancy Peckford
Mayor

Original Signed_____
Lindsey Lee
Clerk