



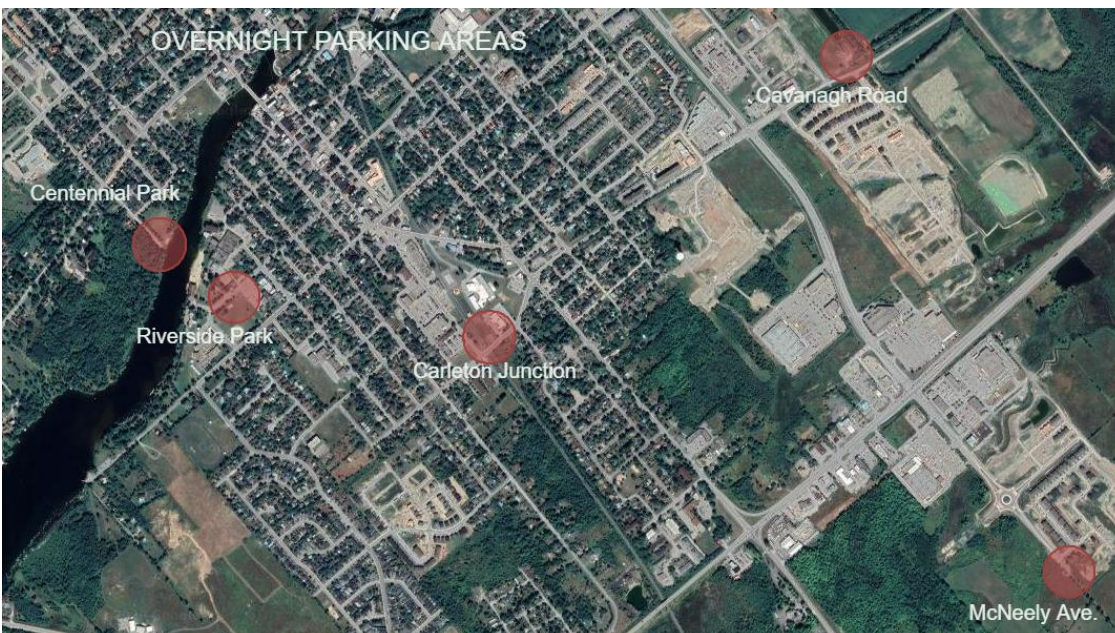
CP SCOOP – December 9th, 2020

MUNICIPAL UPDATES



Santa Routes Food Bank Donations – The [Carleton Place Recreation and Culture Department](#) and [Ocean Wave Fire Company](#) dropped off the food collected during last weekend’s Santa Neighbourhood visits to the Lanark County Hunger Stop. In total, they collected enough food for 2,181 meals (3,115 lbs) and \$500 cash. **THANK YOU** to everyone in the community who donated.

Overnight Winter Parking Restrictions – Accommodations for Visitors – Council has amended Traffic and Parking By-Law 46-2003 with regard to providing overnight winter parking areas to accommodate guests of property owners who may not have sufficient driveway/garage space for additional overnight vehicles. Staff identified five (5) areas in Town that can now be used as overnight parking areas from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 a.m.:



1. 10 spaces at the east end of the Riverside Park parking lot at the end of John Street are being allocated. Signs will be installed to identify the designated spots in the near future.
2. The gravel parking lot for Carleton Junction on Coleman Street could accommodate approximately eight (8) overnight parking spaces.
3. The gravel area on Cavanagh Road next to the tower and stormwater pond can accommodate approximately 10-12 overnight spaces.
4. The temporary gravel area at the south end of McNeely Avenue by the trail can accommodate approximately six (6) overnight parking spaces.
5. Centennial Park Parking Lot on Joseph Street can accommodate approximately 10-12 overnight spaces.

All vehicles parked in the designated overnight areas **MUST be removed by 11:00 a.m. at the latest the following day** to allow for snow removal or risk being ticketed and towed to the Carleton Place Public Library Parking Lot at 101 Beckwith Street. We appreciate your cooperation.

Posting of Development Charges Background Study - Council of the Town of Carleton Place retained Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. to complete a Development Charges Background Study in accordance with Section 10 (1) of the Development Charges Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, C.27. Municipalities impose development charges to assist in providing the infrastructure required by future development in the Town through the establishment of a viable capital funding source to meet the municipality's financial requirements.

At least 60 days prior to passing the proposed Development Charges by-law, the Town is required to make the background study available on the Town's website in accordance with Section 10 (4) of the Act. The Development Charges Background Study has now been posted for public viewing and can be found by visiting the Town's website at www.carletonplace.ca/developmentservices.

January 1st, 2021 Changes to Waste Collection - During the Provincial State of Emergency in regard to COVID-19 instituted in March, and with so many residents suddenly having to work from home and caring for children no longer in school or daycare, Council provided residents with the option of an additional unstickered bag of waste each week in an effort to ease some of the challenges at home. However, **effective January 1st, 2021** the following changes will come into effect:

- **Residents will no longer be permitted two unstickered bags of waste as the Town will revert back to the one bag limit with any additional bags requiring a sticker.**
- Stickers can be purchased at the Town Hall or at Shoppers Drugmart located on McNeely Ave.
- The cost of garbage stickers will be increasing from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per sticker.

Residents can continue to use the older green stickers.

Bridge Street Lane Closure – December 11th, 2020 - Terrapex Environmental will be closing the southbound lane of Bridge Street from College Street to Lake Avenue on Friday, December 11th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The northbound lane will not be impacted. The closure is to accommodate the installation of monitoring wells adjacent to the Canadian Tire gas station at 6 Bridge Street. [Signage and detours](#) will be in place.

FEDERAL UPDATES

[Health Canada Authorizes First COVID-19 Vaccine](#) - Thanks to advances in science and technology, and an unprecedented level of global cooperation, today, Canada reached a critical milestone in its fight against COVID-19 with the authorization of the first COVID-19 vaccine. Health Canada received Pfizer's submission on October 9th, 2020 and after a thorough, independent review of the evidence, Health Canada has determined that the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine meets the Department's stringent safety, efficacy and quality requirements for use in Canada.

PROVINCIAL UPDATES

Ontario Protecting Workers and Employers During COVID-19 - Proposed legislation will ensure WSIB premiums and compensation remain stable - The Ontario government introduced the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Amendment Act, 2020* that would, if passed, protect employers from an unexpected increase in Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) premiums, while maintaining an increase to the maximum earnings cap for worker benefits.

Province Expanding Homegrown Capacity with Made-In-Ontario Respirators and Masks - Production of PPE will create jobs and protect frontline workers - The Ontario government is investing more than \$5 million through the Ontario Together Fund to help three companies create jobs by designing and producing respirators and surgical masks for frontline and healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic and to ensure we are prepared for future challenges.

Ontario Making It Easier and Safer to Renew Driver's Licences - Province Expanding Online Renewal Options for Drivers - The Ontario government is temporarily waiving multiple driver's licence renewal requirements so that all Class G and M drivers can now safely renew their licences online at [ServiceOntario.ca](https://www.serviceontario.ca). To ensure continued access to critical services, these changes will also help people travelling outside Ontario for essential travel to renew their licences.