Downtown Sudbury Patio Pilot Program

Update and proposed next steps



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### Purpose

- Provide background and update on full sidewalk patio pilot program
- Outline BIA's request
- Outline considerations
- Recommendations



# Background

- Original request: January 2014
- Application, public consultation and approval process
- Full sidewalk patio built at 63 Cedar
- Further requests from downtown merchants



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## **BIA Request**

- Make full sidewalk patio program permanent
- Phase in associated fees



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# Recommendation: Permanent Patio Project

- Amend "Road Occupancy" By-Law (By-Law 2011-218)
- Considerations:
  - Sidewalk design
  - Restriction on Elm Street
  - May 1 to October 15



## Incremental Fee Program

- Applicable and associated fees
  - Road Occupancy Permit
  - Sidewalk Lease
  - Parking Fees
  - Any associated Building Services Fees



#### Incremental Fee Program (Continued)

- Phase in of fees
- Four-year program (Example)

  -1<sup>st</sup> year: 100% fees waived
  -2<sup>nd</sup> year: 75% fees waived
  -3<sup>rd</sup> year: 50% fees waived
  -4<sup>th</sup> year: 25% fees waived



## Recommendation

approve the Downtown BIA's request to make the full sidewalk patio pilot program a permanent program;
direct staff to prepare an amendment to By-Law 2011-218 to allow for full sidewalk patios, and to implement an incremental fee structure





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