



## **STAFF REPORT**

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**Meeting Date:** August 9, 2021

**Title:** Conversion of Municipal Code Chapter 201 – Sewer and Water

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### **Recommendation:**

**That Council adopt a by-law to amend the format of one (1) Municipal Code Chapter by-law for ease of use and transparency.**

### **Background:**

A Municipal Code is a compilation of selected by-laws organized by subject. The City of Dryden has a Municipal Code encompassing approximately fifty (50) Chapters or by-laws. The Municipal Code should be updated at least annually and that is done by having municipal employees re-format adopted by-laws that fall into the Code Chapters into Code format and forwarding them to the American company that updates the Municipal Code. Time constraints and lack of resources have made it impossible to update the City's Municipal Code since 2016.

### **Discussion:**

The ability to see municipal by-laws is something that people expect. Many of the by-laws that currently appear on the City's website are those that are in the Municipal Code; some are completely out of date and should be removed, some need revisions and some are fine. As these approximately fifty (50) by-laws are a small fraction of the City of Dryden's by-laws, the goal is to remove all of the Code by-laws from the Municipal Code and to list by-laws individually, by year, on the website, so that anyone can find any by-law. City of Dryden employees are undertaking a review of the Code by-laws and will be bringing them forward to Council with a recommended course of

action for each.

This Staff Report is to recommend Council approve removing Chapter 201 Sewer and Water from Code format to make it its own by-law.

In consultation with the Water Works Manager, a revised by-law for this Municipal Code Chapter has been drafted and is attached to this Staff Report along with the current Code Chapter. The intent is to bring the by-law forward for adoption by Council at a subsequent meeting.

**Attachments (Reference Material):**

Chapter 201 – Sewer and Water  
Draft By-law 2021-xx