

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGINA**

**COUNCIL
ADDENDUM**

Monday, February 27, 2017
7:00 PM

**To be held at the ROC Chalet*

11. PUBLIC MEETINGS

(2) STATUTORY MEETINGS UNDER OTHER LEGISLATION

- (A) Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment regarding the Private Storage of Leisure Vehicles on Residential Lots

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GEORGINA

STORAGE OF LEISURE VEHICLES STUDY

QUESTIONNAIRE

The Town is seeking the public's input on proposed changes to the Zoning By-law that would allow for the storage of Leisure Vehicles on a driveway within the front-yard of a residential property. The proposed approach is summarized in the excerpt from a recent report to Council, which is attached at the end of this Questionnaire.

(Please Print)

Name: LEN GOCZAN [Len Goczan]

Address: 36 CARRICK AVE MISSISSAUGA [36 Carrick Ave]

Date: _____

Signature: _____

1. Do you support the Town's proposed approach to allow the Storage of Leisure Vehicles within front-yard driveways?

YES

IN PART

NO

The currently proposed approach/changes are not reasonable or enforceable.

Despite existing zoning regulations under Zoning By-law No. 500 - prohibiting front yard driveway storage of Leisure Vehicles - the non-compliance rate is unacceptable. The enforcement of the regulation (reactive approach) in most cases does not exist.

Just by changing the regulations, the Town of Georgina is going to add additional non-compliant homeowners to the list, making current situation even worse. The new proposal is only going to legitimize the already existing scenario (non-compliance).

Unless positive, proactive enforcement is put into practice, the new proposal will not have the desirable affect on most homeowners.

A positive By-law enforcement, similar to parking (pro-active), must be in place in order to have the desirable effect of the newly proposed changes.

If you can not/will not enforce the law, you are only encouraging lawless society. Laws are designed to make our living conditions better and more enjoyable. They are not designed to be ignored (current scenario).

Going forward, I hope my concerns regarding this issue will be considered.

The By-Law of 1971 regarding the Private open storage of Leisure Vehicles on Residential lots. This law was put in place at the time for a very good reason. At the time, it was debated when our communities where fairly small.

Today we are a much larger community and many new ones on the way and others in the future plans.

Where the homes in the day had much larger lots, the owner would plant flowers, groom their grass and gardens and admire their property. You were able to sit on the front veranda or porch, driveway, front lawn and admire the area and personal care that was put into the properties. You could enjoy children playing either in their driveways or on the streets. By looking to the left or right you could get a full view of the roads and keep an eye on the children or converse with your neighbours.

Now to pass a By-Law to allow the parking/storage of recreational vehicles makes no sense. To place a boat with trailer, a camper with trailer or RV on residential property, devalues all of our properties. No longer am I able to look to the left or right to enjoy the serenity of my property or that of my neighbours with these obstructions in the front. Having a street that could have a fair amount of leisure vehicles on it does not add to property values.

There are 52 weeks in a year. How many weeks do these units get used? Normal holiday time in summer is anywhere from 2-4 weeks. These units could be used on weekends if you can get away and weather permitting. The point is that the majority of time these units would sit in the front of the house where a neighbour needs to look at them. Picture a camper, RV or another leisure vehicle that is parked in your neighbours driveway! What else would you see?

You, the Georgina Municipal Council have the power to make decisions for the benefit of all residents of the Town of Georgina. Good decisions that benefit the silent majority and our communities as a whole. You have to vote for what you truly feel in your heart and in your minds.

E. J. Lane
Resident Keswick