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## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

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WHEREAS, Niagara-on-the-Lake (the Town) does not currently have a specific department looking after the various licences issued by the Town,

AND WHEREAS, the Niagara Region currently is responsible for issuing business licences on behalf of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake,

AND WHEREAS, the Town wishes to be able to make decisions that affect businesses and residents in the Town.

AND WHEREAS, the Town continues to look for opportunities to increase revenues without impacting residential rates,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Council direct staff to bring a report to Council outlining the cost and benefits (revenue potential) of implementing a licensing division to administer the various applications, administration, licensing and enforcement in the Town and that these should include, but not be limited to, the issuance of dog licences, short-term rental licences, special events licences, various parking passes, and any new potential revenue ideas such as marriage licences, etc.

AND that this report is prepared in time to bring to the Audit and Finance Committee for discussion in the 2022 budget cycle, if time permits, with potential implementation in 2022.