



Keeping Track

City Council Highlights

HIGHLIGHTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING: *JULY 17, 2023*

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Next Meeting: August 14, 2023 at 5:00pm

Seasonal Indoor Tennis – Pickleball Court Lease Request for Proposals

Council supported the issuing of a Request for Proposal soliciting proposals from a third-party contractor for the supply, installation, maintenance, and administration of an indoor tennis/pickleball structure at the Pinafore Park racquet sport facility, to be erected for the winter season, so courts can be utilized all year long!



COUNCIL SUPPORTS EFFORTS TO EXPAND CHILD CARE AND HOUSING SERVICES

At its meeting, Council received reports regarding efforts being made to increase both housing and childcares supports within the community. These services are essential to the Elgin-St. Thomas community!

Reports to Council which received their support included:

- St. Thomas- Elgin 10 year Housing and Homelessness Plan 2022 Progress Report ([link here](#))
- A preliminary report on the City's intended application to the Federal Housing Accelerator Fund for funding to create needed housing in our community ([link here](#))
- The updated Children's Services Plan which ensures Access and Inclusion Plan.

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Continuation of Interim Control Measures on Centre Street



All-way stop control at Centre Street and Princess Avenue and at Centre Street and Elgin Street will remain for the duration of the Talbot Street reconstruction.

Staff will report back with an updated warrant analysis for these intersections based on traffic data collected outside of the construction season.

Upcoming Proclamation and Flag Raising

Council approved the proclamation and flag raising for "World Polio Day" on October 24, 2023.

Westlake-Evans Park

The park is progressing and looks amazing! Completion is expected by Fall and will be available for all community members to enjoy.

As a special commemoration to the late Queen Elizabeth, an English Oak has been planted and will be formally dedicated in honour of her significant commitment to public service.



Civic Award: Troy Rick

Long time community volunteer and talented coach, Troy Rick was acknowledged by City Council for his tremendous commitment to youth sports.

Troy has fostered a community of belonging and respect on his teams that will have a significant impact for years to come in our community. Congratulations and thanks, Troy!



All the Buzz.....St. Thomas to apply to become a Bee City!

The St. Thomas EDC in partnership with St. Thomas Parks and Forestry division, is initiating an application for St. Thomas to join the Bee City Recognition Program. A Bee City improves its municipal environment and the physical and mental health of the residents by connecting people with nature and encouraging healthy, clean food consumption. Healthy citizens equal healthy, productive cities! Stay tuned for more activities as we become a **BEE CITY!**

St. Thomas-Elgin Local Immigration Partnership

Petrusia Honar, Project Manager, provided an update on important work being led in the community by the St. Thomas-Elgin Local Immigration Partnership (STELIP). The City acknowledges the significant commitment of newcomers in this community and the support provided by STELIP to greater inclusion and understanding in this community!

At present, the STELIP is seeking newcomers and immigrants to complete the 2023 Immigrant Survey and the Experiences of Discrimination Survey. More info at www.stelip.ca

