



## Report to Council

Department: Community Services  
Division: Community Services  
Date: May 2, 2022  
Prepared by: Jake Morassut, Director, Community Services  
Report Number: Community Services-2022-07  
Subject: Special Event Notice – Harrow Bluesfest Softball  
Tournament – August 5 to 7, 2022  
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### Recommendation(s)

**That** Community Services-2022-07 entitled Special Event Notice – Harrow Bluesfest Softball Tournament – August 5 to 7, 2022 prepared by Jake Morassut, Director, Community Services, dated May 2, 2022 be received, and

**That** Council approve the Harrow Bluesfest Softball Tournament for Significant Event Status for the purposes of applying for their Special Occasion Permit (SOP) for their event on August 5 to 7, 2022.

### Purpose

To obtain Council approval for Significant Municipal Event Status for the Harrow Bluesfest Softball Tournament on August 5 through August 7, 2022.

## **Background and Discussion**

The Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) requires a municipality to designate a special event as 'Significant Event Status' for the purpose of those applying for liquor licensing permits and approval, regarding their operation of liquor services during their event. For the AGCO to issue the permits allowing the sale of liquor during events on municipal property, they require the municipal designation. The AGCO regulations also state that this designation must be secured annually for the organization to obtain a Special Occasion Permit.

Town Administration and the Special Events Resource Team (SERT) Committee (which also has AGCO representatives on the committee) have reviewed the request and have no objection to declaring Significant Event Status for this event.

## **Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact.

## **Consultations**

Doug Sweet, Chief Administrative Officer

## Link to Strategic Priorities

- Manage, invest and plan for sustainable municipal infrastructure which meets current and future needs of the municipality and its citizens.
- Create a safe, friendly and inclusive community which encourages healthy, active living for people of all ages and abilities.
- Provide a fiscal stewardship and value for tax dollars to ensure long-term financial health to the municipality.
- Manage responsible and viable growth while preserving and enhancing the unique rural and small town character of the community.
- Improve the experiences of individuals, as both citizens and customers, in their interactions with the Town of Essex.
- Improve the Town's capacity to meet the ongoing and future service needs of its citizens while ensuring the corporation is resilient in the face of unanticipated changes or disruptions.

## Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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**Doug Sweet, Chief Administrative Officer - Apr 22, 2022 - 2:00 PM**