

MEDIA RELEASE

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE

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Preparation for Potential Postal Disruption

The Town of Fort Erie has made arrangements to minimize the impact that a potential labour disruption at Canada Post may have on Town services. In the event of a postal disruption, the following options are available:

Billing & Payments

The September 2018 monthly water bill was mailed October 15 and customers may obtain amounts owing in one of the following ways:

- Call Town Hall at 905-871-1600
- Submit an online request for a PDF copy of your bill at www.forterie.ca, click on contact us tab.
- Come to Town Hall and request a duplicate copy of your bill
- E-billing available is also available at canadapost.ca (e-post)

Property Owners are still responsible for payments of amounts owing. If a strike is in progress, please do not attempt to mail your payment. The next water bill due date is November 5, 2018. As always, payments may be made:

- In person at Town Hall
- With your bank (in person, online or by telephone)
- In the night depository box at Town Hall (please mark your account or roll number on the front of your cheque
- By pre-authorized payments, by credit card on e-services tab at <u>www.forterie.ca</u>, click on e-services tab.

Procurement

The Town's procurement processes will continue throughout the potential Canada Post labour disruption. Procurement closing times/dates will not be extended. It is the responsibility of the respondent to ensure submissions are received prior to deadlines.

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable invoices can be dropped off at Town Hall, faxed to 905-871-9984 or emailed to payables@forterie.ca. Vendors who are concerned about possible delays in the receipt of their payment should contact Accounts Payable at 905-871-1600 ext. 2309 to make arrangements.

Planning and Development Services

For applications in October (and beyond) during the mail strike, the Planning Division will continue to

process applications in accordance with the legislative requirements of the Ontario Planning Act, c.P.13, R.S.O 1990.

With respect to planning applications hard by Planning Committee and Council, respective Notices of Public Meetings and Decisions will be communicated in the following ways:

- Advertised in the Fort Erie Post
- Posted on the Town's website
- Emailed to anyone requesting a copy of the Notice in writing and providing an email address
- Hand-delivered to those persons within 120 metres of a subject site specific application (public meeting notices only).

With respect to planning applications heard by Committee of Adjustment, all required Notices will be communicated in the following ways:

- Advertised in the Fort Erie Post
- Posted by sign on the property
- Posted on the Town's website
- Emailed to anyone requesting a copy of the Notice in writing and providing an email address
- Hand-delivered to those persons within 120 metres of a subject site specific application (public meeting notices only).

For more information, please contact the Fort Erie Customer Service Unit at 905-871-1600 or visit www.forterie.ca.