

**CITY OF ST. THOMAS**

**BY-LAW NO. 35 -2022**

A by-law to amend By-Law No. 84-2017, being a by-law to establish a Basement Flooding Subsidy Program in the City of St. Thomas.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the "Eligible Work" section of Schedule "A" be deleted and replaced with the following:

**Eligible Work**

Funding will be based on amounts as shown in the table below:

| <b>I-I Reduction Strategies</b>                                       | <b>Implementation Process</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <b>Grant Value</b>                                         |
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| Disconnection of foundation drains and installation of new sump pumps | City to administer program for installation of sump pump. Residents to contact City and sign up for program, with City paying 90% of installation cost (based on 2 contractor quotes obtained by homeowner)                         | City to reimburse 90% of costs, up to a maximum of \$5,000 |
| Installation of backwater valve on sanitary drain connection *        | City to administer program for installation of sump pump. Residents to contact City and sign up for program, with City paying 50% of installation cost (based on 2 contractor quotes obtained by homeowner)                         | City to reimburse 50% of costs, up to a maximum of \$750   |
| Building/Plumbing Permit Fee                                          | The City will pay for the cost of the building/plumbing permit for the installation of a sump pump or the installation of a backwater valve or a combination of both options through the City-Wide Basement Flooding Program budget | City to cover 100% of the permit fee through the program   |

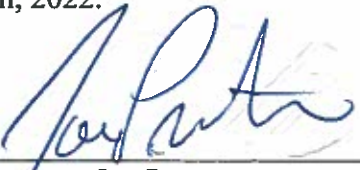
(\*) - Eligibility for funding requires that the homes Foundation Drains have an appropriate outlet, other than the sanitary sewer, in accordance with the *Property Standards By-law*; If Foundation Drains do not exist, or are not connected to the sanitary main drain or Building Sewer, the licensed plumber/drainage contractor must verify this in writing based on a camera/video inspection.

2. That Appendix "B" be deleted and Schedule "A" to this by-law be put in its place.

READ a First and Second time this 7th day of March, 2022.

READ a Third time and Finally passed this 7th day of March, 2022.

  
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 Maria Konefal, City Clerk

  
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 Joe Preston, Mayor

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| <b>Section 1 –Address of Residence</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                       |
| Street Number                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Street Name                                                           |
| Are the downspouts from your property’s eavestrough still connected to the sewer system?<br>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                       |
| Do you have a front paved parking area on your property? (The portion of the boulevard or front yard that was constructed by the city for the purpose of providing motor vehicle parking for the owner/tenant.)<br>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                       |
| Is your property currently used as a single-family residential, duplex or triplex?<br>Single-family residential <input type="checkbox"/> Duplex <input type="checkbox"/> Triplex <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                       |
| <b>Section 2 – Property Owner Information</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                       |
| First Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Last Name                                                             |
| Phone Number                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Alternate Phone Number                                                |
| Email Address                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                       |
| Mailing Address (if different from above) Street Number                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                       |
| Street Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                       |
| City                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Province                                                              |
| Postal Code                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                       |
| <b>Section 3 – Plumber/Contractor Information</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                       |
| #1. Plumber/Contractor Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                       |
| Sub-Contractor Name (if applicable)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                       |
| #2. Plumber/Contractor Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                       |
| Sub-Contractor Name (if applicable)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                       |
| <b>Section 4 – Eligible Installation Costs</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Installation costs</b><br>(including permits and applicable taxes) |
| A) Backwater Valve                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$                                                                    |
| B) Sump Pump System                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | \$                                                                    |
| C) Foundation Drain (weeping tile) Pipe Severance & Capping                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | \$                                                                    |
| <b>Section 5 – Checklist</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have completed and signed the application form<br><input type="checkbox"/> I have attached the original quotes (2) from my contractor(s) showing: The<br><input type="checkbox"/> Address of the eligible installation,<br><input type="checkbox"/> The name and address of the contractor, and<br><input type="checkbox"/> A cost breakdown of all charges, outlining in detail the eligible installation(s).<br><input type="checkbox"/> My contractor is a certified plumber.<br><input type="checkbox"/> I have read, understand and agree to the Grant Program Conditions. I recognize that there may be other conditions specified in the Basement Flooding Grant Program that may apply to my application. |                                                                       |

Personal information is collected by authority of the Municipal Act, as amended and enables city staff to contact you in the future, if required. Please contact Karel Kamerman at 545 Talbot Street, St. Thomas, ON, N5P 3V7, Telephone 519.631.1680 ext. 4224 for questions.

## Terms and Conditions

1. The property must not have exceeded the life-time maximum grant amount for each eligible installation.
2. To be eligible for the grant:
  - You must be the registered owner of a single-family residential, duplex or triplex property within the City of St. Thomas. NOTE: Multi-family dwelling units are not eligible for grants related to backwater valves, as their installation is restricted by the Ontario Building Code.
  - The grant is available only to existing homes, not homes in the planning stages or currently under construction.
  - The downspouts from your property's eavestrough must be disconnected from the sewer system.
  - If the property has a paved front yard parking area. It must comply with the City's Zoning By-law requirements.
  - You must submit your application within six months of completion of work as indicated on your invoice.
  - A permit must be obtained, and inspection passed by a City of St. Thomas building inspector for a backwater valve, sump pump installation and disconnection of foundation drain.
  - Original invoices must be provided
  - Backwater valve only: You must demonstrate that your homes foundation drains have an appropriate outlet, if foundation drains do not exist or are not connected to the sanitary sewer, your contractor must verify this.
  - You must not have outstanding taxes or debts owed to the City of St. Thomas at the time your application is processed.

### **Acceptance of Grant Terms and Conditions**

In applying for the Grant Program, I understand and agree to the following conditions:

- I am solely responsible for the work being done on my property.
- The City assumes no liability whatsoever relating to the work undertaken to be eligible for the grant, and the work cannot be considered a guarantee that flooding will not occur.
- The City of St. Thomas does not:
  - endorse specific brands, products, dealers, or contractors.
  - guarantee materials, workmanship, or performance of the eligible protective devices.
- I will not make any claim or take any action against the City of St. Thomas for losses, damages, expenses or costs of any nature whatsoever arising out of or related to my participation in the program, and indemnify the City against any such claim or action made or taken by someone else.
- If any incorrect or deceptive information, statement or representation is found in this application or the accompanying documents, the City is entitled to:
  - reject my application,
  - demand full and immediate repayment of any subsidy money paid to me,
  - prosecute me or take other legal action against me.

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Property Owner's Signature

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Date (month/day/year)

### **Mail or bring completed application and original receipts to:**

Environmental Services Department City Hall Annex  
P.O Box 520, 545 Talbot Street, St. Thomas, ON N5P 3V7

### **For More Information Contact:**

Karel Kamerman Compliance Coordinator  
Phone: 519-631-1680, ext. 4224