

Subject: 2021 Beach Operations Update

To: Council

From: Corporate Services Department

Report Number: 2021-209

Meeting Date: July 26, 2021

Recommendation:

That Corporate Services Department Report 2021-209, 2021 Beach Operations Update be received as information.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on Centennial-Cedar Bay Beach and Nickel Beach activity and usage during the period of June 17 to July 14.

Background:

The previous beach operations update provided to Council covered the period of May 22 – June 16, 2021.

Discussion:

At the Council meeting on June 28, Staff reported a gradual approach to increasing the total number of daily passes available to non-Port Colborne residents at Nickel Beach. On July 5, the number of daily passes for non-Port Colborne residents increased from 125 to the maximum of 150 available.

Staff highlight that there have been no observed impacts to beach operations since the increase of 25 non-Port Colborne resident daily passes available daily.

On July 16, the Province entered into Step Three in the Roadmap to Reopen Ontario. While Step Three of the reopening plan further loosens restrictions on outdoor based

activity, it is not recommended by Staff at this time to consider revising capacity limits at either Centennial-Cedar Bay Beach or Nickel Beach for the remainder of the season.

Strategic Plan Alignment:

The initiative contained within this report supports the following pillar(s) of the strategic plan:

- Service and Simplicity Quality and Innovative Delivery of Customer Services
- Attracting Business Investment and Tourists to Port Colborne
- City-Wide Investments in Infrastructure and Recreational/Cultural Spaces
- Value: Financial Management to Achieve Financial Sustainability
- People: Supporting and Investing in Human Capital

Conclusion:

That Corporate Services Department Report 2021-209, and the June 17 – July 14 Beach Usage Metrics attached as Appendix A be received.

Appendices:

a. June 17 – July 14 Beach Usage Metrics

Respectfully submitted,

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Report Approval:

All reports reviewed and approved by the Department Director and also the City Treasurer when relevant. Final review and approval by the Chief Administrative Officer.