

The Corporation of the City of Kenora

By-Law Number 158 - 2025

A By-law to Authorize the Execution of a Depot Operations Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and Circular Materials for the Operation of a Depot for Recyclable Materials in the City of Kenora

Whereas Ontario Regulation 391/21 under the Ontario Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016 defines all eligible sources of collection of recyclable materials in the province of Ontario; and

Whereas the Act furthers the Province of Ontario's interest in protecting the environment, reduce waste and emissions, increase the reuse and recycling of waste across all sectors of the economy and promote competition in the provision of resource recovery services, among other related interests; and

Whereas under the Act, Ontario Regulation 391/21 Blue Box, 2021, obligates producers that supply blue box material to consumers for personal, family or household purposes to establish and operate a collection system in accordance with Part IV Collection which includes providing curbside collection and depot services to those eligible communities currently receiving blue box service as of the eligible community's scheduled transition date; and

Whereas Kenora's transition period began July 1st, 2023, and concludes December 31, 2025, with Circular Materials being the Producer Responsible Organization (PRO); and

Whereas in May 2023, Council authorized the execution of a Master Services Agreement with Circular Materials for the transition period, including the scopes of curbside collection, depot operation and promotion/education while Circular Materials undertook a procurement of longer-term collection, depot operation, transportation and processing services contracts starting in 2026; and

Whereas GFL Environmental Inc. (GFL) was awarded the curbside collection contract by Circular Materials and gave GFL the option to assume delivery of curbside collection services from the current provider, the City of Kenora; and

Whereas an agreement has been reached with Circular Materials for an Eligible Community Depot Operations Agreement #2023-00-002;

Now Therefore the Council of The Corporation of the City of Kenora hereby enacts as follows:-

1. That authorization is hereby given for the City of Kenora to enter into a Eligible Community Depot Operations Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Kenora and Circular Materials for the continued recyclable materials depot through the City of Kenora.

2. That the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the agreement attached hereto and forming part of this By-law on behalf of the City of Kenora.
3. That this By-law shall come into force and be in effect from and after the final passing thereof.

By-law read a First and Second Time this 25th day of November, 2025

By-law read a Third and Final Time this 25th day of November, 2025

The Corporation of the City of Kenora:-

Andrew Poirier, Mayor

Heather Pihulak, City Clerk

By signing this bylaw on November 25, 2025, Mayor Andrew Poirier will not exercise the power to veto this bylaw.