

## COUNCIL REPORT

May 05, 2010

**To: Mayor & Council**

**From: Bill Preisentanz, CAO**

**Re: Gate – Main Street Wharf**

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**Recommendation:**

**That Council of the City of Kenora hereby deny the request from Houseboat Adventures to install a gate at the Main Street dock.**

**Background:**

**Houseboat Adventures currently lease the perpendicular portion of the Main Street Wharf from the City. Owner Jeff Gordon previously approached the City through the Kenora Port Authority requesting permission to install a locking gate at his own expense due to vandalism and break-ins on his houseboats.**

**Initially, KPS were involved and suggested that lighting and other measures be taken as opposed to installing a gate on the Main Street Wharf. Subsequently, the matter was placed on hold pending OPP providing data relating to the number and nature of incidents occurring on the Main Street Wharf.**

**Upon receipt of the OPP summary of incidents, there was further discussion at the Harbourtown Centre Committee on the issue. At their May 06<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Harbourtown Centre Committee recommended that a gate not be installed due to the logistics of enforcement and access to a public dock in a highly visible area. It was recognized that there are other dock areas with gates, however, the Committee did not want to add to the numbers.**