

To: Mayor & Council

Fr: Tara Rickaby, Planning Administrator

Re: Request for Variance to Sign By-law 115-2010

Recommendation:

That the Council of the City of Kenora approves the KAR variance request to advertise the CPR Train of Lights event provided;

- the signs are placed and removed as per the requested dates on the application;
- location approval letters from Home Hardware and John Leonard are submitted to the City;
- certificate of insurance naming the City of Kenora is provided for the CPR east yard location;
- appropriate anchorage is provided for the signs.

Background:

The Kenora Assembly of Resources (KAR), has applied to advertise the CPR Train of Lights event, from November 20th to December 6th. KAR requires a variance for required fees (private properties) and for fees and location on City Property.

The locations requested are: the CPR Yards east approach (this is an approved location), Home Hardware east parking lot and Highway #17 E, Jean Leonard's property (formerly Cross Canada Sales).

There are three pre-approved locations for non-profit groups; the CPR Hill on Lakeview Drive, the Water Street retaining wall at the south end of Bernier Drive and the corner of Tenth and Railway, being the east approach to the Real Canadian Wholesale Club (CPR approach).

The Chief Building Official has a concern with the lack of appropriate anchorage of the temporary signs.

Budget: N/A - Registration costs to be borne by property owner.

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements: Notice by agenda of Property and Planning Committee and Council, KAR, Bruce Graham, HRO.