

**Notice of Open House**  
**DOWNTOWN PARKING MANAGEMENT AND REGULATIONS STUDY**

As the Town welcomes the significant amount of new development, interest and investment in our downtown core in recent years, it also places some pressure on existing infrastructure and services, such as parking. In response, the Town partnered with J.L. Richards & Associates in October 2019 to undertake a study that examined the needs of residents, business owners and visitors to identify a “made in Smiths Falls” approach to ensure that parking downtown is efficient, effective and that it functions well for those who need it.

**Following the stakeholder consultation in October as well as an online consultation in November, the Town of Smiths Falls is now inviting the Public and Stakeholders to attend another meeting to discuss the findings and preliminary recommendations presented by J.L. Richards regarding parking management in the Downtown Core.** The meeting will include a presentation of the data and findings concerning parking operations and demand as well as recommendations regarding pay for parking options, parking rates, location of accessible parking spaces, zoning provisions for parking and more. Public and Stakeholders will have an opportunity to comment after the presentation.

Through this process we have looked at:

**Parking Management Strategies and Regulations (including payment)**

- Evaluate pay for parking options, including assessing capital, operating, maintenance and enforcement costs for each.
- Assess best practices for parking rates (if any) and duration, including short and long-term parking options.
- Identify the appropriate allocation of accessible parking spaces (including spaces geared towards pregnant women and young children).
- Anticipate emerging industry changes that affect parking management, including ride sharing.

**Zoning and Cash-in-lieu of Parking Policy**

- Review and recommend appropriate zoning provisions for parking space requirements, including the possibility of sharing space requirements between neighbours;
- Review the cash-in-lieu of parking policies to set the right balance.

**Forecasting Future Supply and Demand**

- Estimate parking demand in response to proposed zoning changes and anticipated future development in downtown core.
- Recommendations for enhancing supply- both commercial and overnight, both in making the best use of current available lands and exploring opportunities for new parking.

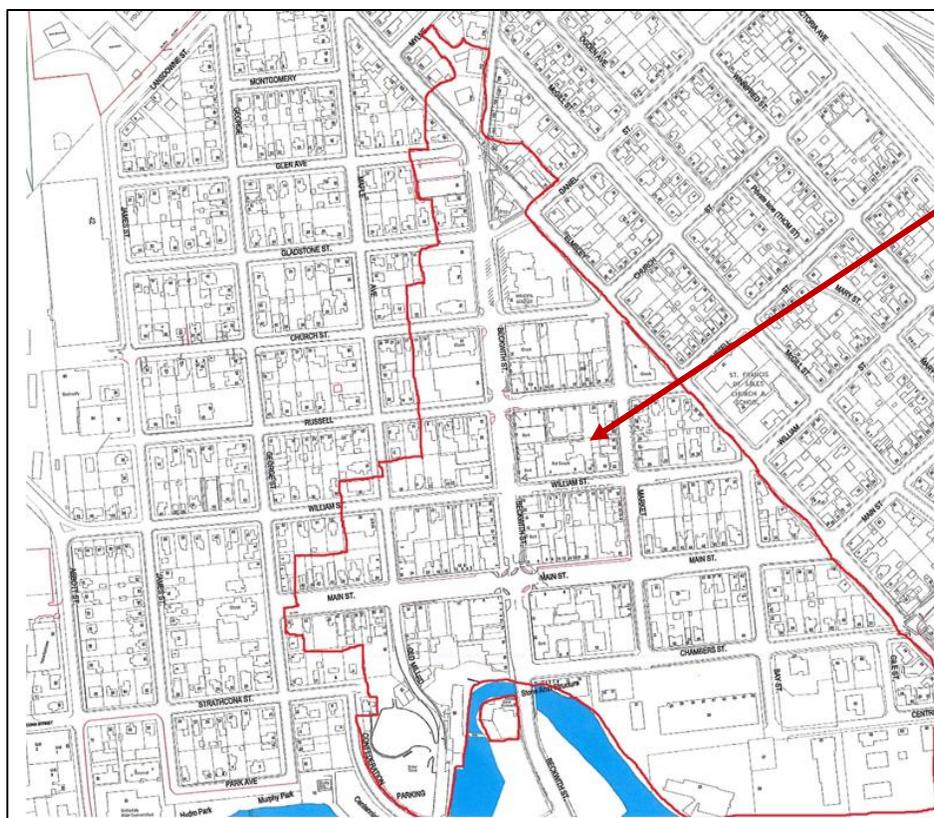
**DATE:** **Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**TIME:** **7:00 – 9:00 pm**  
**PLACE:** **Smiths Falls Memorial Community Centre, 71 Cornelia Street (upstairs hall)**

Anyone who wishes to participate in the project but is unable to attend the consultation are welcome to contact the undersigned.

Additional information and updates are available upon request from Town Hall, at 77 Beckwith Street North, Smiths Falls ON K7A 4T6; at [www.smithsfalls.ca](http://www.smithsfalls.ca) under Business – Planning; or, on our Facebook Page “Town of Smiths Falls”.

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