WAIVE INTEREST AND PENALTIES ON TAXES FOR 2021

Mover: Matthew Shoemaker **Seconder**: Paul Christian

WHEREAS in 2020 the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie waived interest and penalties on late payment of the tax installments that came due after the March 2020 lockdown measures; and

WHEREAS the province and the global economy remain gripped by the coronavirus pandemic, with expected vaccines providing hope that we be able to emerge from the ongoing lockdowns that businesses and residents have faced in 2020 and into 2021; and

WHEREAS as of yet, it is unclear at what point in 2021 the great majority of the population may be vaccinated, and therefore it is unclear when economic conditions may return to a normal, or new normal, in the community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council waive interest and penalties on late payment of taxes in the 2021 calendar year, with the waiver of interest and penalties expiring on June 30, 2021.