

WAIVE INTEREST AND PENALTIES ON TAXES FOR ALL 2021

Mover: Matthew Shoemaker

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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 in February 2021 the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie waived interest and penalties on late payment of the tax installments that came due from January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021 due to further lockdowns being imposed; and

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

WHEREAS continued stay-at-home orders and emergency orders have affected the ability of local businesses to stay afloat through these challenging times; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie must assist businesses to the extent possible;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council waive interest and penalties on late payment of taxes for the balance of the 2021 calendar year, with the waiver of interest and penalties expiring on December 31, 2021.