



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND  
RESOLUTION IN COUNCIL

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DATE: June 20, 2017

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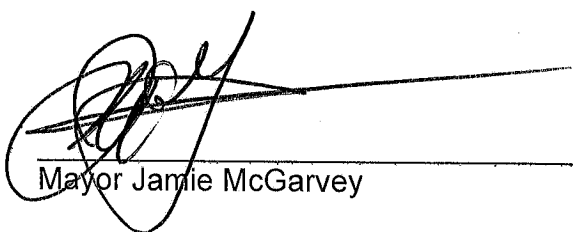
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That Council approve the DBA Busking Policy - Amended May 2017, attached as Schedule "A".

  
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Mayor Jamie McGarvey



Downtown Business Association

Busking Policy

Amended - May 2017



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## Parry Sound Downtown Business Association

### Busking Policy

Updated Policy Adopted on: May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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Busking, also known as street performing, is a form of entertainment that has grown in popularity across North America. Busking typically takes place in public places including streets and parks; anywhere that large groups of people congregate. Entertainment may take the form of music, song, dance, mime, magic, or any other act that is intended to please, captivate or inspire the public. A busker may accept but cannot solicit gratuities.

#### Goals and Objectives of the Busker Program

- To offer citizens and visitors to Parry Sound a unique entertainment experience through a diversity of performers
- To add an animated flare and enliven the downtown core which will attract residents and visitors to the downtown and increase pedestrian traffic
- To showcase and celebrate local performers and artists who in this role act as ambassadors for the town

#### Application Process

- 1) A letter of intent must be sent to the DBA either by e-mail ([downtown@psdba.ca](mailto:downtown@psdba.ca)) or mail (52 Seguin Street, Parry Sound, ON, P2A 1B4) stating the person's interest in busking and outlining their talent.
- 2) The Executive Administrator will contact the applicant requesting either a recording of their performance, or will arrange an audition.
- 3) The Executive Administrator has the authority to approve applicants.
- 4) The Executive Administrator will forward the names of the approved applicants to the Director of Public Works for final approval.

- 5) The Executive Administrator will meet with successful applicants to go over the DBA Busking Policy, obtain a signature of acknowledgement and to issue a Busking ID.

### **Dates and Times**

April 1<sup>st</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>, seven days a week between the hours of 10am and 6pm.

### **Location**

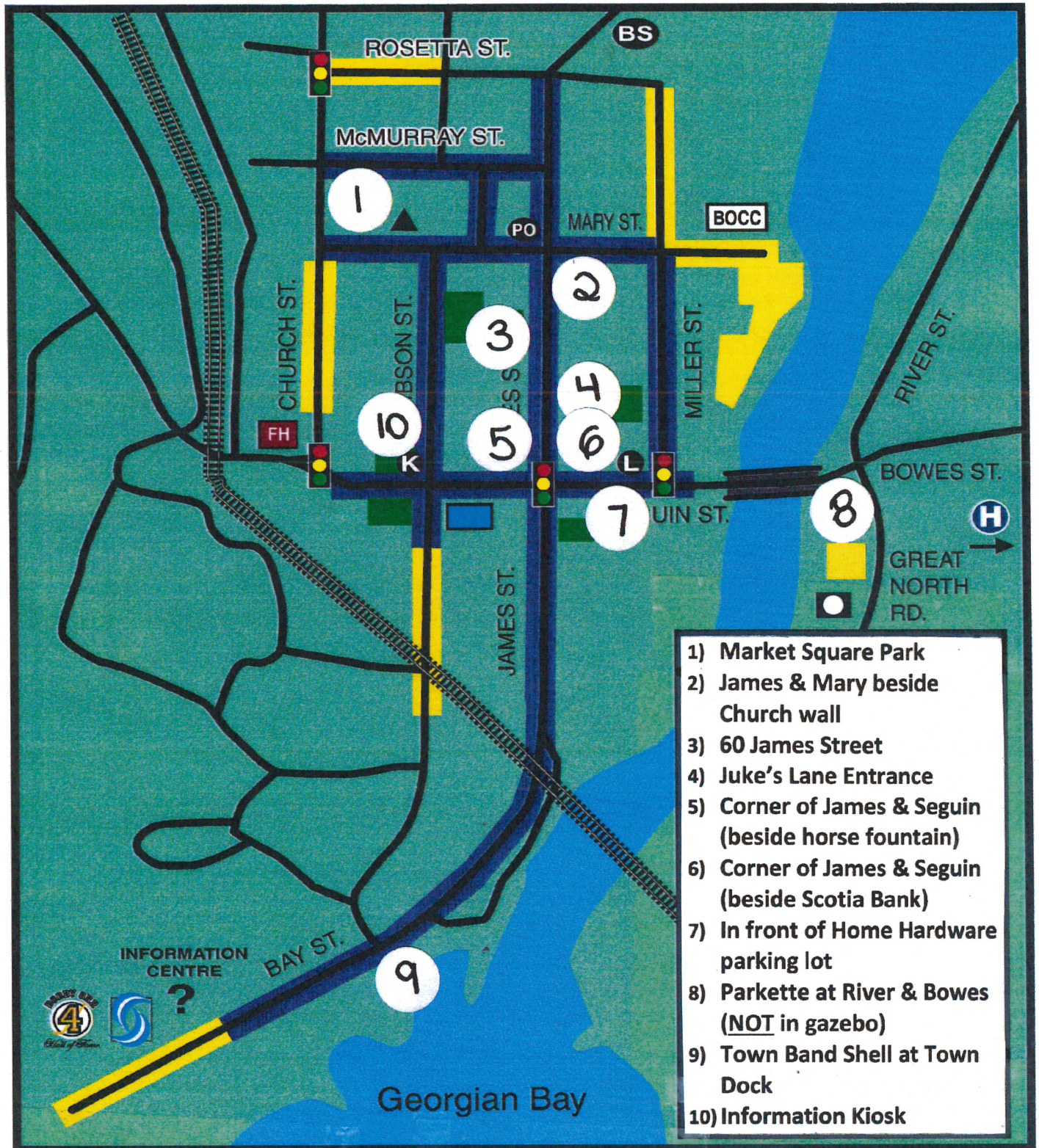
- 1) Performances will be restricted to the locations identified on the attached map.
- 2) Locations in an area where an event is taking place are not available for busking for the duration of the event.
- 3) Access to identified locations will be on a first come-first perform basis, with performances at each location limited to a maximum of 90 minutes. After 90 minutes you may move to a different location.

### **Terms and Conditions**

- 1) Performers acknowledge they are performing for a family audience and thus must refrain from the use of lewd and offensive language or conduct.
- 2) The comfort and safety of the public shall be the primary consideration at all times. The wishes of residents and visitors must be respected particularly in regards to loudness of the performance. Performers must refrain from requesting the crowd to cheer or yell.
- 3) Performers are to dress professionally and appropriately.
- 4) Performers must ensure that no portion of the area used by the busker or that is occupied by the audience;
  - creates an obstruction for pedestrians
  - obstructs the front of an entrance or exits of a building, blocks a display window or a fire hydrant.
- 5) No animals shall be used in the performance, or accompany the performer.
- 6) No aspect of the performance or any of the equipment or props used may pose a danger or risk to the public. The use of sharp or dangerous objects is prohibited. This includes juggling knives, hatchets, chainsaws or flaming objects.
- 7) Amps must be used responsibly and with respect to the location, flow of foot traffic and cannot violate noise bylaws.

- 8) Performers shall ensure their location is kept neat and clean and are required to leave their space clean following their performance.
- 9) Performers must be in possession of their Busker Identification at all times during their performance.
- 10) Performers shall not actively solicit funds but may use a more passive approach of having an open hat/box nearby for donations.
- 11) Failure to comply with this policy, in part or in whole, may result in their Busker Identification card being revoked permanently.
- 12) The organizers reserve the right to cancel the program at any time at their sole discretion.

# WELCOME TO DOWNTOWN PARRY SOUND



- 1) Market Square Park
- 2) James & Mary beside Church wall
- 3) 60 James Street
- 4) Juke's Lane Entrance
- 5) Corner of James & Seguin (beside horse fountain)
- 6) Corner of James & Seguin (beside Scotia Bank)
- 7) In front of Home Hardware parking lot
- 8) Parkette at River & Bowes (NOT in gazebo)
- 9) Town Band Shell at Town Dock
- 10) Information Kiosk

## BUSKING LOCATIONS

