



SUMMARY FROM NOVEMBER 4th BARRHAVEN BUSINESS VIDEO CONFERENCE

Dear BBIA Members,

Thank you to all businesses who joined us for our weekly Wednesday call this week. I have compiled the following summary in response to the questions and concerns raised during our discussion. We hope you will all join us for our next call. **NOTE** the change in time to **9:00 am**. Please use the following link to participate:

JOIN THE CONVERSATION:

BBIA Open Call for Businesses

Time: Wednesday, **November 18th**, 2020 09:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81354739119>

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SUMMARY FROM THIS WEEK'S VIDEO CALL

New "Restrict - Orange Level" for Ottawa starting on Saturday

- Fitness Businesses
 - Still restricted to 10 per class
 - on a positive note, they won't close should we move to red.
 - 10 per class would only be increased if we move to green.
- Will they be focusing on problems rather than industries?
 - This appears to be the case from the document. They will also be focusing on strengthening their communication plan to the general public to let people know their personal responsibilities in stopping the spread.
- Gathering limits are enforceable but who you gather with isn't, this will come down to better messaging.
- One missing piece to this new plan is are social circles. There are rumours that this will align closely with Dr. Etches recommendations that people limit close contact to people within their household and maybe 1 or 2 other people that provide support. The "circle" may disappear altogether in messaging.
- Spas are still not allowed to do facial services and are finding it hard to make people feel comfortable coming back.
- Workplace inspections in Ontario will be increasing. The Ontario government has hired more inspectors to ensure business are staying safe. And employers must plan accordingly. These inspectors are about to finish their training and head into the field. Which means you still have time to ensure your workplace is safe and compliant with the law.

Funding

- Federal Government tabled legislation for new Commercial Rent Support and Wage subsidy programs. This is the first step.
- Provincial fixed cost funding (energy and property taxes) will open applications on November 16th.
- Andrea will check with our MP for updates on Federal funding.



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Transportation Committee Update

- Patio fees will be waived through 2021
- Roads will remain closed in order to allow winter patios to remain open.
- City is currently working on plan for snow removal in these areas which may be challenging.
- \$150k being put towards winter city beautification through BIAs (capital projects on public right of way only).

Holiday Light Event

- The BBIA will be lighting up the corner of Greenbank and Strandherd this year.
- We will be hosting a live event on Facebook and YouTube on November 15th at 6:30pm.
- For more information - <https://fb.me/e/30PMQ0hDG>

Virtual 2020 AGM

- SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, January 13th - 8:30am to 9:30am
- More information to come