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## **MEMORANDUM**

CSC-C 6-2023

**Subject: Niagara Region Weed Inspector Appointments** 

Date: Wednesday, April 05, 2023

**To: Corporate Services Committee** 

From: Angelo Apfelbaum, Manager, Business Licensing

Regional Council shall appoint, by by-law, Area Weed Inspectors pursuant to section 6(1) of the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. W.5.

These appointments allow the Area Weed Inspectors to enter upon any land and building in order to inspect the land, buildings, implements, machinery, vehicles, crops or other plants for noxious weeds or seeds as proscribed by Schedule in Reg.1096 of the Act.

The Area Weed Inspectors may also issue orders for destruction of noxious weeds/seeds or issue charges for a contravention of the Act. For this purpose, Area Weed Inspectors are designated as Provincial Offences Officers under the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33, subsection 1(1)(e).

The Area Weed Inspectors work in conjunction with Municipal Weed Inspectors, who are appointed by the local area municipalities and the Chief Weed Inspector, appointed by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

The following individuals are employees of Niagara Region and are qualified to be appointed as Area Weed Inspectors:

- Angelo Apfelbaum, Manager, Business Licensing, Corporate Services
- Petar Vujic, Road Safety and Permits Program Manager, Public Works
- Adam Parker, Permit Inspector, Public Works
- Kevin Allan, Corridor Technician, Public Works

It is therefore recommended that these individuals be appointed as Area Weed Inspectors. A by-law to formalize the appointments will be placed on the April 20, 2023, Regional Council agenda for Council's consideration. Notice of the appointments shall be sent to the Chief Weed Inspector within 7 days of the passing of the by-law, as required under the Act.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

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Angelo Apfelbaum Manager Business Licensing \_\_\_\_\_\_