



Report to Council

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Subject: Request for exemption to By-Law No. 65-2000 (Noise By-Law)

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In agreement with the recommendation based on the contents of this report.

Recommendation

Be it resolved that the Council accepts the request for exemption to By-Law No. 65-2000 for four nightshifts between the dates of July 8th to August 2nd 2024 for mandatory night work requested by VIA Rail.

Context

Considering the ongoing work for the installation of Municipal Infrastructure along Des Pins Street in Limoges, two crossings of the VIA Rail right-of-way are required. The work method proposed to complete the crossings is the Jack and Bore method to limit the risk related to possible settlement.



FIGURE 1: Location of underground crossings on VIA Rail right-of-way

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To carry out the required crossings, VIA Rail imposes night work in order to limit the risk factor on their side. We tried to contact their representatives on several occasions, but requests to re-evaluate this requirement were refused.

Based on conversations with the contractor, two (2) nightshifts are scheduled for each pipe crossing, for a total of four (4) nightshifts.

Based on the current work schedule provided by the contractor, exemption from by-law no. 65-2000 will be required for four nightshifts between July 8 and August 2, 2024. During this period, the municipality will be notified 48 hours in advance of night work dates. Night work is expected to consist of two consecutive nights to complete each crossing.

We recommend accepting this request for an exemption from the noise by-law, in view of VIA Rail's requirements and to avoid delaying the work in progress.