

MEMORANDUM

To: Chair and Members, Police Services Board

From: Sandra Kirkwood, Executive Assistant

Date: August 30th, 2010

Subject: Surveillance Cameras – Survey Results

Further to direction at the last meeting, business owners in the downtown area were canvassed regarding surveillance cameras. The storeowners were provided with quick facts on the cameras as well as a copy of correspondence received from the Downtown Management Board outlining their position. The following questions were asked of 87 storeowners:

- 1) Are you in favour of surveillance cameras in proposed locations? The proposed locations being the Aqua Theatre ,Royal Canadian Legion , Skateboard Park, City Centre , Pizza Pizza , Opera House, Port of Orillia , OPP Detachment, Peter Street.
- 2) Do you think surveillance cameras present a privacy issue?
- 3) Do you feel surveillance cameras will assist police in detection of crime in the downtown area?

Storeowners were also provided an opportunity to add general comments which are on file in the Board office.

Results

Responses received: 48/87

Question #1

Responses in favour of cameras: 37

Response not in favour of cameras: 9

Question #2

Responses agree a privacy issue: 5

Responses no privacy issue: 40

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Question #3

Responses agree will assist police: 39
Response not agreeing will assist: 7

Notes:

One (1) survey did not answer question 2
One (1) survey answered yes & no to question 2
One (1) survey did not answer question 3
One (1) survey answered yes & no to all questions (not counted)
One (1) did not answer question 1
Five (5) surveys were returned unopened (not included in total of 48)

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