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Casino operator Gateway and OLG to provide background on their operations at Feb. 21 council education session

Wasaga Beach – Town Council recently decided that it would not offer incentives for the new casino to locate at the beachfront. This decision will now proceed to the Feb. 19 Council meeting for ratification. The beachfront remains one of five sites identified by Council as being a suitable location for a casino.

Gateway Casinos and Entertainment Ltd. is currently performing its due diligence and plans on making an announcement on the preferred site once that process is complete.

Zoning that is already in place allows the casino to locate on any of the five sites identified by the Town. Four of the sites were selected in 2012 and one was added in 2015. Community engagement on the sites took place during the selection process.

Gateway, which has a successful record of accomplishment in the casino industry, will select the site that best meets their needs as a business.

On Feb. 21, representatives from the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) will be attending a Council education session to provide background to Council on gaming in Ontario and specifically how the relationship works between a casino operator and the host municipality. As well, representatives from Gateway will attend to present information about their company and the other casinos they operate in Ontario. This meeting will start at 1 p.m. at Town Hall.

The five sites the town has identified for a gaming facility in Wasaga Beach: the southwest corner of Beachwood Drive and Local Airport Road and Mosley Street; Fairgrounds Road at Beachwood Drive; 486 River Road West; 550 River Road West, and Beach Area 1 and 2.

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