

Retail Sale of Knives

Community and Public Services Meeting

Monday, Sept. 16, 2024

Our Recommendations

Top Priority

Option #1: Prohibit the Sale of All Knives in Convenience Stores

- Will effectively deal with the significant and growing number of convenience stores that are selling “weapon-like knives” that are presenting a serious safety concern for Edmontonians.
- The other convenience stores – 7-11, Circle K, On the Go, etc. shouldn’t be concerned as they are not selling knives anyway.

Second Priority

Option #4 Advocate to Other Levels of Government For Stronger Knife Regulations

- The “weapon-like knives” we’re now seeing sold in corner stores shouldn’t be sold anywhere. They are specifically designed to hurt and kill people – nothing else.
- The current definition of prohibited weapon needs to be broadened to include knives with finger grips and levers to snap open the blade, like the ones we currently see being sold.

Third Priority

Option #2: Amend the Existing Retail Sales Business License Categories.

- This would be helpful, to prevent minors from buying knives at Canadian Tire, Walmart, Cabellas, etc.
- However, we recognize it is a more costly undertaking, would be ongoing and would take a significant amount of enforcement.

Fourth Priority

Option #3: Leverage Existing Business License Review Provisions

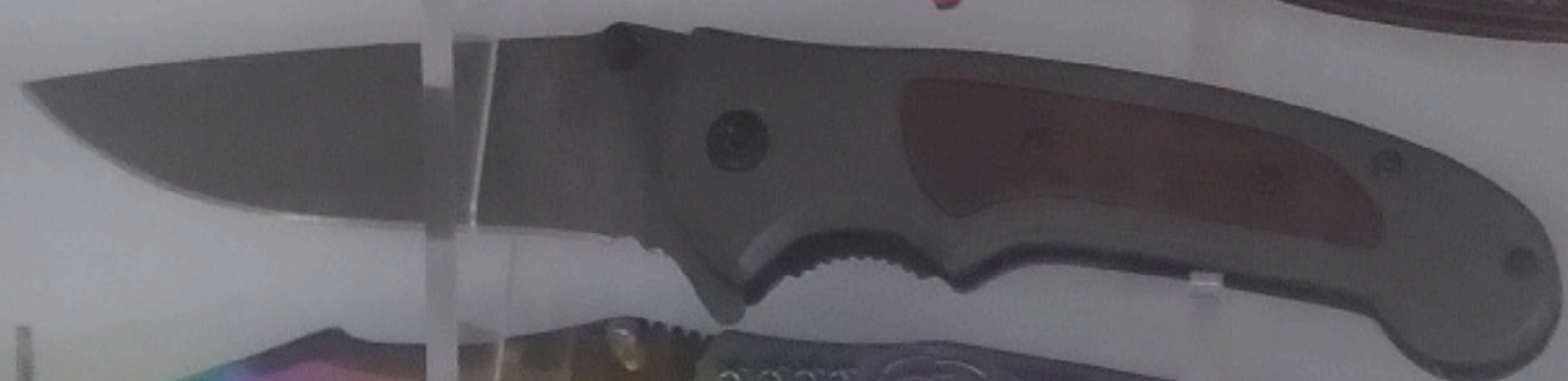
- This would also be helpful, although it would require a fair bit of enforcement and as it is complaint driven and dependent on the collection of valid evidence, might not happen too often.

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Flite
Cinnamon Sandal
Infinite Straps
Mesh Coil

13.99



ID Zone



Mesh Coat

DICKIE
CANNIBIS CONNOISSEUR

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Part
Green
Purple
Mouth Cool