

Notice of Passing of By-law 2019-0034 (Official Plan Amendment 35), Zoning By-law 2019-0035, and Zoning By-law 2019-0036

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills passed By-laws 2019-0034, 2019-0035, and 2019-0036 on July 8, 2019, in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act.

By-law 2019-0034 approves Official Plan Amendment (OPA) No. 35, By-law 2019-0035 amends Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2010-0050, and By-law 2019-0036 amends 401 Corridor Zoning By-law 2000-138, in order to implement the final recommendations for Cannabis Cultivation and Processing policies in Halton Hills. The amendments apply to the Urban and Agricultural/Rural Areas of Halton Hills.

Any person or agency who objects to all or part of By-laws 2019-0034, 2019-0035, and 2019-0036 may appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) by filing a Notice of Appeal with the Town Clerk no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 7, 2019. The Notice of Appeal must set out the reasons for the appeal, and in the case of OPA 35 the specific part of the OPA to which the appeal applies, and be accompanied by a fee of \$300 (certified cheque or money order) made payable to the Minister of Finance.

OPA No. 35 is exempt from approval by the Region of Halton. The decision of Council is final if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing a notice of appeal.

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the municipality to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf. No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE BY-LAWS:

The purpose and effect of the amendments is to implement the final recommendations of the Town-initiated study on Cannabis Cultivation and Processing by:

- introducing policies into the Halton Hills Official Plan requiring site specific zoning, establishing where uses are to be permitted, and providing development criteria to evaluate cannabis cultivation and processing proposals (OPA No. 35);
- defining terms related to cannabis cultivation and processing, establishing where the uses are to be permitted, and imposing setbacks from defined sensitive uses in Zoning By-law 2010-0050;
- defining terms related to cannabis cultivation and processing, establishing where the uses are to be permitted, and imposing setbacks from defined sensitive uses in Zoning By-law 2000-138; and
- establishing parking and loading standards for Cannabis Cultivation and Processing uses in Zoning By-law 2010-0050 and Zoning By-law 2000-138.

All submissions received regarding Official Plan Amendment (OPA) 35, Zoning By-law 2019-0035, and Zoning By-law 2019-0036 were considered as part of the Town's review process, and as a result some minor changes were made to OPA 35, including consideration for reduced setbacks from other uses for Micro Cultivation proposals.

More information on Cannabis Cultivation and Processing is available on the Town's Let's Talk Halton Hills website at: letstalkhaltonhills.ca/cannabis or at the Planning and Sustainability Department at the Halton Hills Town Hall. By-laws 2019-0034, 2019-0035, 2019-0036, and 2019-0037 are available for inspection at the Planning and Sustainability Department at the Halton Hills Town Hall, during regular business hours, Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., as well as on the Town's website.

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