

# Municipality of North Grenville

**Report No.** PD-022-2020A

> **File No.** ZBA-05-20

Agenda Date:	August 19th, 2020 – Special Council Meeting
Subject:	Interim Control By-Law Extension (Cannabis Production Facilities)
Attachments:	None

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The following recommendation is provided for Council's consideration:

That Council extend the Interim Control By-Law for a period of one year to allow for the completion of a Planning Study regarding cannabis production facilities.

# **BACKGROUND**

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Council passed an Interim Control By-Law to prohibit the establishment of any new cannabis production facility for a one year period. An exemption was made for two properties to allow existing proposals to proceed.

The Interim Control By-Law was passed by Council in order to provide staff the time to undertake a planning study of current planning practices pertaining to cannabis production facilities. Additional time is being sought to finalize the planning study and seek public input. The time frame extension will also allow for further legal counsel consultation.

#### **REGULATORY FRAMEWORK**

Section 38(2) of the *Planning Act* permits a Council to extend an Interim Control By-Law provided the total period of time does not exceed two years from the date of the passing of the Interim Control By-Law.

#### **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

No public consultation is required for Council to extend the Interim Control By-Law.

#### CONCLUSION

The Interim Control By-Law extension will allow for additional time to consult with members of the public and seek legal advice.

# **ALTERNATIVES**

That Council refuse to extend the Interim Control By-Law for a one year period.

This alternative is not recommended as the Interim Control By-Law provides for additional time for staff to prepare the planning study required by the *Planning Act.* 

# **FINANCIAL/STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

This item has been identified in the current budget:	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	N/A <b>X</b>
This item is within the budgeted amount:	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	N/A <b>X</b>

Staffing implications, as they relate to implementing Council's decision on this matter, are limited to the existing staff complement and applicable administrative policies as approved by Council.

# LINK TO COUNCIL WORK PLAN

The proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment supports the values of "Sustainable, Strategic Growth" and "A Safe, Healthy and Cohesive Community" within the Council Work Plan, as the development is a strategic investment within the Municipality, provides opportunity for local employment and provides specialized care within North Grenville.

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