

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Cannabis Official Plan, Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control By-law Amendments

DATE: September 12, 2022

TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Town Hall

Public have options for participation in this Public Meeting:

- 1. Attend the meeting at Town Hall and speak to Council in-person.
- Send your comments via e-mail to Carol Schofield, Manager, Legislative Services
 / Clerk (<u>cschofield@forterie.ca</u>) who will provide them to Council as part of the
 meeting record.
- 3. Participate in the Zoom meeting (audio/video via web or by telephone) by sending an email to Chris Millar, Senior Community Planner (cmillar@forterie.ca) to receive information on joining the Zoom meeting.

The Town of Fort Erie Council meeting live webcast will be streamed at www.youtube.com/townofforterie or click on the YouTube icon on the home page of the Town's website (www.forterie.ca).

LOCATION OF SUBJECT LANDS



The proposed amendments will generally apply to lands within the Town of Fort Erie that are designated and zoned for Agricultural, Rural or Industrial purposes.

PURPOSE OF THIS AMENDMENT



The purpose of these Official Plan, Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control By-law amendments is to update the Town's existing Official Plan policies, Zoning and Site Plan Control regulations, to regulate commercial and medical cannabis production operations in the Town. These amendments will include updated definitions for both commercial and medical cannabis operations, provisions that the use be permitted indoors only, emit no odour and other various setback and study requirements to further regulate the use.

GETTING MORE INFORMATION

Input on the combined Official Plan, Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control Amendments is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Town. Please note that unless you do one of the above now, you may not be able to appeal the decision later.

A copy of the Information Report will be available to the public by 5:00 PM on **September 7**, **2022**. The information report will be available in the Council agenda portion of the Town's Web Site: www.forterie.ca or by contacting Chris Millar, Senior Community Planner.



The proposed Amendment documents are available on the <u>Let's Talk Fort Erie</u> website for Cannabis Production (<u>https://letstalk.forterie.ca/cannabis-production-policy-review</u>)

CONTACT INFORMATION

Chris Millar, MCIP, RPP, CNU-A, Senior Community Planner Planning and Development Services Department Town Hall, 1 Municipal Centre Drive Fort Erie, Ontario L2A 2S6 905-871-1600 ext. 2504

Or by e-mailing: cmillar@forterie.ca

PROVIDING YOUR COMMENTS OR REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION

To provide input in writing to be entered into the record of this Public Meeting, or to request written notice of Council's decisions on the proposed amendments, please send a letter c/o Carol Schofield, Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6 or an email to cschofield@forterie.ca

PLANNING ACT LEGAL NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

The Town of Fort Erie Council has not yet made any decisions regarding these proposed amendments. After considering any written comments and the comments from the public meeting, a Recommendation Report will be prepared by staff for a future Council-in-Committee meeting.



If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Town of Fort Erie's Municipal Council to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written statements to the Town of Fort Erie before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, please contact Chris Millar (cmillar@forterie.ca) with the contact information above.