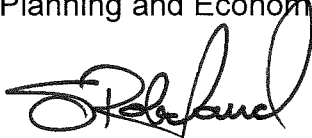




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COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	September 23, 2022
SUBJECT:	Rental Housing Protection Policy Review (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Steve Robichaud Director of Planning and Chief Planner Planning and Economic Development Department
SIGNATURE:	

On May 31, 2022 Planning Committee received report PED22091, which reviewed the City's Official Plan policies regarding Rental Housing Protection and recommended several changes to the policy and planning framework around applications to convert rental housing to condominium tenure, and proposals to demolish rental housing.

The Planning Committee authorized the Planning Division and Legal Services Division to consult with stakeholders and the public on the proposed changes and report back to Planning Committee with final recommendations.

Consultations on this project are commencing on September 26, 2022 and include a newspaper notification, social media notices, an email circulation to stakeholders and the launch of a project website and online survey. A virtual public information meeting will be held on October 5, 2022 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A copy of the public notice is attached for information.

If you require any further information on the above matter, please contact Melanie Pham, Senior Project Manager, Sustainable Communities Section, by e-mail at Melanie.Pham@hamilton.ca or at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 6685.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" - Public Notice for Rental Housing Protection Review



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

RENTAL HOUSING PROTECTION POLICY REVIEW



The City has recently undertaken a review of existing rental housing protection policies in the Urban Hamilton Official Plan, as one of a variety of planning initiatives related to housing. Changes are proposed to the policy and planning process framework which applies to proposals to convert rental housing to condominium tenure and proposals to demolish rental housing. Policy changes proposed are intended to establish appropriate limitations

for conversions and demolitions to ensure protection of existing affordable rental housing units. Proposed changes to the planning framework include establishing a permit process for conversions and demolitions through a by-law under the Municipal Act. This is intended to be used as a tool to implement the policy directions in the City's Official Plan and mitigate impacts to affected tenants.

HOW TO LEARN MORE:

REVIEW ONLINE MATERIALS ANYTIME

Visit the **PROJECT WEBSITE** anytime on or after **September 26** to learn more about the review, see the proposed policy changes and see the proposed new by-law.

The project website is:
engage.hamilton.ca/rentalprotection



JOIN THE VIRTUAL INFORMATION MEETING






There will be a **LIVE Information Meeting** held on **October 5, 2022 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm**. The project team will provide an overview presentation of the project and will answer your questions. Individuals can participate online or by phone.

Visit the website to register for the meeting and to submit your questions in advance at: engage.hamilton.ca/rentalprotection

PROVIDING INPUT:

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT TO US! We want to hear what you think about the changes. Feedback can be provided by:

-  Completing the online survey available on the **PROJECT WEBSITE**. The survey will be available until **midnight on October 21**.
-  Emailing comments to Justin Waud, Planning Technician at Justin.Waud@hamilton.ca.
-  **Do you have any accessibility requirements** in order to be able to review the material and provide comments? Please contact Melanie Pham via email at Melanie.Pham@hamilton.ca or by phone at **905-546-2424 Ext. 6685**.

Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record

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