
**ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT - MEDICAL MARIHUANA PRODUCTION
FACILITIES**

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Ms. Lee Ann Snedden, Manager, Policy Development and Urban Design Branch, Planning and Growth Management Department (PGM), introduced Mr. Alain Miguez, Program Manager, and Ms. Carol Ruddy, Planner, both with the Intensification and Zoning Unit, Policy Development and Urban Design Branch, PGM, Ms. Arlene Grégoire, Director and Chief Building Official, Building Code Services Branch, PGM, and Ms. Christine Enta, Legal Counsel, Corporate Development and Environmental Law Branch, City Clerk and Solicitor's Department. Ms. Ruddy then spoke to a detailed PowerPoint slide presentation to provide an overview of the report (held on file with the City Clerk).

Following Ms. Ruddy's presentation, the Committee heard from the following delegations, as noted:

- Mr. Rod MacLean*, Katimavik Hazeldean Community Association (KHCA), expressed concerns on behalf of the Community Association with regard to the adequacy of buffering between residential and institutional zones, facility security and the potential for illegal activities.
- Mr. Derek Kilburn, The Healthy Plant Corporation, spoke and responded to questions pertaining to issues of overall building and facility security, including elements of appropriate signage, gating, fencing, storage and disposal, delivery methods, and traffic concerns for marihuana production areas.
- Mr. Ashley Pak spoke to the health aspects of medical marihuana, expressed support for the recommendations, and said he was glad the facilities would not be located near residential areas.

Written correspondence was also submitted by the following, as noted:

- Ms. Caroline Sohn* (in support, with additional concerns)
- Mr. Peter Crowe*, President, Cannabis Canada Medical Inc. (in opposition, raising numerous concerns)

*[* Individuals / groups marked with an asterisk above either provided comments in writing or by email; all submissions are held on file with the City Clerk.]*

Committee discussions included matters pertaining to:

- adequate buffering, set-backs and separation distance between residential and institutional zones;
- potential environmental impacts and concerns with regard to contamination;
- the safety and security of both production facilities and residential areas;
- licensing, inspection, storage and disposal issues;
- courier pick-up and delivery, and traffic concerns;
- potential effects on future employment-area development; and,
- Federal Government regulatory oversight and opportunities for the City to provide input regarding its residents' health and safety.

Discussions having concluded, the report recommendation was put before Committee and was CARRIED, with Councillor B. Monette dissenting.