

Motion – June 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
Cannabis Retail Sales/Stores

Moved by: Councillor Bill Altenhof
Seconded by:

Whereas at the Regular Council Meeting on June 8, 2021, Tecumseh Town Council received a follow up report from the April 13, 2021 Regular Council Meeting when Council moved to reconsider their earlier decision to opt-out of retail cannabis in Town;

And Whereas Tecumseh Town Council voted to opt-in allowing for retail cannabis stores to operate within the Town of Tecumseh, understanding that the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) provides final approval of all applications for cannabis retail stores;

And Whereas the Province of Ontario's only restriction related to the location of retail cannabis stores under the *Cannabis License Act* is a 150 metre distance between the store and any school with no other allowances for the municipality to put other limits in place such as additional buffer distances from other sensitive land uses;

And Whereas municipalities are permitted to put in place a policy to recommend further protections to vulnerable populations and sensitive land uses.

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved:

That the Tecumseh Town Council requests that Administration develop a policy, as recommended by the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit (WECHU) and with the consultation of the WECHU, to expand on the limited restrictions imposed by the province for the protection of our vulnerable populations and sensitive land uses such as daycares, parks, and youth and mental health centres to further influence the location of retail cannabis stores;

And That the proposed policy be provided to Council for consideration of adoption at the next Policies & Priorities Committee meeting.