SYNOPSIS

Amendments to the Land Use Bylaw for Cannabis-related Land Uses.

The purpose of this motion is to introduce amendments to the Town's Land Use Bylaw to address the Federal Government's *Cannabis Act* that took effect October 17, 2018. The *Act* provides a legal framework for the production, distribution, sale, and possession of cannabis for medical and recreational purposes. At the same time, the Provincial Government's *Cannabis Control Act* regulates cannabis distribution and retail sales, and amends the *Smoke-Free Places Act* to control smoking cannabis in public places. Part of the role for Municipal Governments is to regulate where cannabis-related uses are appropriate.

The subject Land Use Bylaw amendment is intended to do the following:

- define licensed production facilities and allow them in industrial zones with minimum setback requirements from residential properties, parks, daycares, and religious institutions;
- Define cannabis retail sales and cannabis lounges so they are clearly prohibited uses in any zone.

The Planning Advisory Committee held an advertised public participation opportunity, and subsequently recommended that Council adopt the amendments as drafted.

MOTION:

That Council give First Reading to the Bylaw P-2-24 to amend the Land Use Bylaw to regulate cannabis-related uses as shown in the attachment, and schedule a Public Hearing for December 17, 2018.