



City of Hamilton

CITY COUNCIL ADDENDUM

Monday, January 14, 2019, Immediately following the Board of Health meeting
Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

3. COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 Correspondence respecting Dispensaries for Recreational Cannabis Retail Sale:

*3.1.c Dave Jackson

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 5.1

*3.2 Correspondence from Deputy Chief Dan Kinsella to Chief Eric Girt, Hamilton Police Service respecting Illegal Dispensary Enforcement / Estimated Costs of Illegal Dispensaries.

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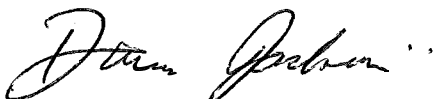
To the Great City of Hamilton

Let me introduce ourselves. We are the committee of Medical dispensaries of Hamilton. Today we are writing in regards to a special meeting of counsel. We the committee urge and encourage counsel to opt "OUT" for the reasons outlined.

In regards to the Corporation of Hamilton which is a successful viable standing business, opting IN would be a very poor business decision to make. Before you make any decisions on opting IN or OUT, we would strongly recommend this to be referred to the city staff for an opinion on whether or not this would be a smart financial decision. The monies offered from the province is pathetic. The money will not cover your costs to to sustain dispensaries. The Committee of Medical Dispensaries if allowed will propose a far more lucrative deal for the city and offer considerable more then the present provincial structure not only covering your costs totally but also building up the city coffers. The collection of monthly fees will be enough to regulate and enforce licenses. The Hamilton economy will also prosper from this deal. We will create numerous of jobs for our blue collar town Hamiltonians and a greater tax base. The other serious issue we have at hand is that we believe that there is a great medical need and a great shortage of supply presently through Health Canada that we can instantly address. We have done our due diligence and we are prepared to sit down and try to broker a deal that is financially sensible and looking out for the best interest of the people that need the product medically. we are here to partner and work with the city. Remember, you can always opt IN , but once you say yes, you will be locked in forever with Mr. Ford group. Be strong , be independent.

Thank you for your time respectfully

The Committee of Medical Dispensaries of Hamilton


DAVE JACKSON.



Hamilton Police Service

Memorandum

To: Chief Eric Girt
CC:
From: Deputy Chief Dan Kinsella
Date: January 14, 2019
Re: Illegal Dispensary Enforcement / Estimated Costs of Illegal Dispensaries

Chief Girt:

Please see below for the current enforcement numbers and estimated 2019 costs related to illegal cannabis dispensaries.

The City of Hamilton currently has 34 illegal dispensaries operating in the City. Please note that these are continuously monitored and fluctuate daily.

For the pre-legalization period, the Hamilton Police Service (HPS) executed 66 warrants at 46 different locations. A total of 91 individuals were charged with 183 charges. We began tracking Court dispositions in February 2018. Court dispositions between February 2018 up to October 16, 2018 are as follows: 20 waiting disposition, 4 guilty pleas and 71 had charges withdrawn with a peace bond.

For the post legalization period to date, the HPS in conjunction with the Provincial Joint Forces Cannabis Enforcement Team (PJFCET) has executed 11 warrants and charged 39 individuals with 50 charges under Federal and Provincial legislation. All individuals charged post legalization are waiting disposition before the Court.

The chart below outlines the estimated 2019 costs related to the enforcement of 34 illegal dispensaries and the costs associated to them.

As discussed, the details related to the estimated costs will change depending on the prevalence of illegal dispensaries.

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	2019
Staffing* (not including enforcement costs)	\$206,136.25
Equipment	\$36,000.00
Facility Upgrade (Storage)	\$0 - \$85,850.00
Enforcement Costs (Staffing & equipment)	\$441,845.50
Totals	\$683,981.75 - \$769,831.75

If you require further information please advise.

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Kinsella

Deputy Chief of Operations