DRAFT Rural Hamilton Official Plan
Amendment No. X

The following text, together with Appendix “A” – Volume 3: Appendix A - Site Specific Key Map, attached hereto, constitutes Official Plan Amendment No. XX to the Rural Hamilton Official Plan.

1.0 Purpose:

The purpose and effect of this Amendment is to establish a Rural Site Specific Policy to permit the growing and harvesting of medical marihuana in facilities having a maximum gross floor area for a single greenhouse which shall not exceed 13,000 square metres, a maximum gross floor area shall not exceed 2,000 square metres for each new medical marihuana building, and all buildings and structures shall not exceed 20% lot coverage.

2.0 Location:

The lands affected by this Amendment are known municipally as 1915, 1995 and 1997 Jerseyville Road West within the City of Hamilton (former Town of Ancaster).

3.0 Basis:

The basis for permitting this Amendment is:

- The proposed Amendment is consistent in that it is an agricultural use and that it recognizes innovative on-farm diversification.

- The proposed Amendment is compatible with existing agricultural and commercial uses in the immediate area.

- The proposed Amendment is compatible with planned agricultural use in the immediate area.

- The proposed amendment is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014, and conforms to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2017.
4.0  **Actual Changes:**

4.1  **Rural Hamilton Official Plan Special Policy and Site Specific Areas**

**Text**

4.1.1  Chapter B – Rural Site Specific Areas

a. That Volume 3: Chapter B – Rural Site Specific Areas be amended by adding a new Site Specific Policy – R-XX as follows:

"R-XX – Lands known municipally as 1915, 1995 and 1997 Jerseyville Road West former Town of Ancaster.

1.0 For the lands known municipally as 1915, 1995 and 1997 Jerseyville Road West, designated Agriculture and identified as Areas A and A-1 in Site Specific Area R-XX, notwithstanding Policy D.2.1.1.4. b) of Volume 1, the following policies shall apply:

1.1 For lands in Area A-1:

a) the gross floor area for any new facility for medical marihuana growing and harvesting shall not exceed 2,000 square metres per building; and,

b) notwithstanding 1.1 a), the maximum gross floor area for one greenhouse containing medical marihuana growing and harvesting shall not exceed 13,000 square metres in Area.

1.2 For lands in Area A:

a) the maximum gross floor area for all new buildings and structures devoted to a Medical Marihuana Growing and Harvesting
Facility shall not exceed 2,000.0 square metres.

1.3 For lands in Area A and Area A-1:

a) all buildings and structures used for medical marihuana growing and harvesting shall not exceed a combined lot coverage of 20%.

Schedules and Appendices

4.1.2 Volume 3: Appendix A – Site Specific Key Map

a. Volume 3: Appendix A – Site Specific Key Map be amended by identifying the subject lands as Site Specific Policy R-XX, as shown on Appendix “A” attached to this Amendment.

5.0 Implementation:

An implementing Zoning By-Law Amendment and Site Plan Control Application will give effect to the intended uses on the subject lands.

This Official Plan Amendment is Schedule “1” to By-law No. _____ passed on the _____ of _____, 2018.

The City of Hamilton

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Fred Eisenberger             CITY CLERK
MAYOR