

CITY OF HAMILTON
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Planning Committee Date: January 14, 2020

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR WHITEHEAD.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Property Standards By-law – Rental Properties and Apartments

WHEREAS, the *Building Code Act, 1992*, authorized the City of Hamilton to pass a by-law prescribing standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Consolidated By-law 10-221, being a By-law to prescribe standards of the maintenance and occupancy of property was passed by Council in 2010;

WHEREAS, as part of continuous improvement, by-laws require changes over time to align with changes in legislation, improve processes and to maintain the by-law to the original intent and effectiveness;

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the Property Standards By-law, there have been eight (8) incorporated amendments to improve the By-law; and,

WHEREAS, there have been concerns of the health and safety of rental house and apartments within the City.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to meet with Internal and external stakeholders concerning possible improvements to the Property Standards By-law involving rental properties and apartments; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to review and compare our current Property Standards By-law against other municipalities to determine best practices and improvement to our current legislation.