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**Bill No.**

## CITY OF HAMILTON

### BY-LAW NO.

#### To Amend Zoning By-law No. 464 (Glanbrook) Respecting Secondary Dwelling Unit Regulations

**WHEREAS** Council approved Item \_\_\_ of Report \_\_\_\_\_ of the Planning Committee, at the meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021;

**AND WHEREAS** this By-law will be in conformity with the Urban Hamilton Official Plan.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That Section 7.35(b) - Off-Street Parking Space Requirements of **SECTION 7: GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL ZONES** be amended by adding the following new clause:

Use	Minimum Required Parking Spaces
Secondary Dwelling Unit Secondary Dwelling Unit - Detached	1 space per unit

2. That **SECTION 11: GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL ZONES** be amended to include the following new subsection:

**“11.13 SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS - DETACHED**

- (a) For the purposes of Section 11.13 – Secondary Dwelling Units and Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached, the following definitions shall apply:
  - (i) **Ditch** means a small to moderate excavation created to channel water.

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- (ii) **Secondary Dwelling Unit** means a separate and self-contained Dwelling Unit that is accessory to and located within the principal dwelling.
  - (iii) **Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached** means a separate and self-contained detached Dwelling Unit that is accessory to and located on the same lot as the principal dwelling.
  - (iv) **Swale** means a graded or engineered landscape feature appearing as a linear, shallow, open channel to provide for water drainage.
- (b) Notwithstanding Section 7.13, a Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall only be considered as an accessory building for the purposes of Lot Coverage.
  - (c) For lands within a Residential Zone, a maximum of one Secondary Dwelling Unit shall be permitted within a Single Detached Dwelling, a Semi-Detached Dwelling or Street Townhouse Dwelling.
  - (d) For lands within a Residential Zone, a maximum of one Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall be permitted on a lot containing a Single Detached Dwelling, a Semi-Detached Dwelling or a Street Townhouse Dwelling.
  - (e) Section 11.2a) shall not apply to a Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached.
  - (f) A Secondary Dwelling Unit shall be permitted in each semi-detached or street townhouse dwelling unit on a non-severed lot.
  - (g) A single detached dwelling containing one Secondary Dwelling Unit, Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached, or both, shall not be considered a duplex or triplex.
  - (h) A semi-detached dwelling containing one or more Secondary Dwelling Units, one or more Secondary Dwelling Units – Detached, or both, shall not be considered a triplex or apartment building.
  - (i) A street townhouse dwelling on one lot containing one or more Secondary Dwelling Units, one or more Secondary Dwelling Units –

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Detached, or both, shall not be considered a triplex or apartment building.

- (j) A Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall not be permitted in a Front Yard or a Exterior Side Yard.
- (k) Parking shall be provided in accordance with Section 7.35a) of this by-law.
- (l) Not less than 50% of the gross area of the Front and Flankage Yards shall be used for a landscaped area and shall not include concrete, asphalt, gravel, pavers, or other similar material, and where required parking may be located in a required Front or Exterior Side Yard:
  - (i) Encroachments in the Front and Exterior Side Yards identified in Section 11.13m) shall also be subject to Section 7.26:
  - (iii) Notwithstanding Section 11.13m), where at least half the Front Lot Line is curved and the landscaped area of the front yard is less than 50%, the following exemptions for the calculation of the gross area of the Front Yard shall apply and provided all the remaining area shall be landscaped excluding concrete, asphalt, gravel, pavers or other similar materials:
    - (1) A driveway between the front entrance of the garage and the front lot line with maximum width of 3.0 m for each door of a one, two or three car garage or 5.5 m for a double door of a two car garage; and,
    - (2) A walkway between the front entrance of the principle dwelling and the front lot line or driveway with a maximum width of 0.6 m;
  - (vi) A maximum of one driveway shall be permitted for each lot containing a Secondary Dwelling Unit; and,
  - (vii) Notwithstanding Subsection 11.13f)(vi), for a corner lot, a maximum of one driveway may be permitted from each street frontage.
- (m) A Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall only be permitted in a Rear and interior Side Yard. In the case of a through lot, a Secondary

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Dwelling Unit – Detached shall not be permitted in any yard abutting a street.

- (n) The exterior appearance and character of the front façade of the Single Detached Dwelling, Semi-Detached Dwelling or Street Townhouse Dwelling shall be preserved.
- (o) There shall be no outside stairway above the first floor other than an required exterior exit.
- (p) Any separate entrance and exit to the Secondary Dwelling Unit shall be oriented toward the Flankage Lot Line, interior Side Lot Line or Rear Lot Line.
- (q) A minimum landscaped area shall be provided and maintained in the rear yard for each dwelling unit on the lot, in accordance with the following provisions:
  - (i) A landscaped area of 8.0 square metres for each dwelling unit less than 50 square metres; and,
  - (ii) An landscaped area of 12.0 metres for each dwelling unit 50 square metres or more.
- (r) A Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached is not permitted in a ditch or a swale.

**11.13.1 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNIT - DETACHED**

- a) A legally established accessory building existing as of the [DATE of the passing of this by-law] in a Residential Zone may be converted to a Secondary Dwelling Unit - Detached on a lot containing a single detached dwelling, semi-detached dwelling, and street townhouse dwelling subject to the following provisions:
  - (i) The number of required parking spaces for the principal dwelling shall be provided and maintained on the lot in accordance with the applicable provisions of this by-law.
  - (ii) Any additions over 10% of the existing gross floor area of the legally established accessory building to create a Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall be in accordance with Subsections

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11.13.1 b), d), e), g) to m), o), and q) and Subsections 11.13.1(b) of this Zoning By-law;

- b) A Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached in a Residential Zone shall be subject to the following provisions:
- (i) Notwithstanding Section 7.13, only Subsections 7.13b)vi) shall apply.
  - (ii) A minimum 1.2 metre interior Side Yard shall be provided which shall unobstructed and not contain structures, walkways, sidewalks, hard surfaced material, and landscaping other than sod.
  - (iii) A minimum 1.2 metre Rear Yard shall be provided which shall unobstructed and not contain structures, walkways, sidewalks, hard surfaced material, and landscaping other than sod.
  - (iv) A minimum setback from a Swale, Ditch or Drainage Management System measured from the upper most interior edge of the swale's slope of 1.0 metres shall be provided and maintained.
  - (v) A maximum height of 6.0 metres shall be permitted.
  - (vi) The maximum gross floor area shall not exceed the lesser of 75.0 square metres or the Gross Floor Area of the Single Detached Dwelling, the Semi-Detached Dwelling Unit or the Street Townhouse Dwelling Unit.
    - (1) For the purpose of this regulation, a Gross Floor Area shall not exclude car parking area.
  - (vii) A minimum distance of 7.5 metres shall be required between the rear façade of principal dwelling and Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached.
  - (viii) Where a Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached is located in an Interior Side Yard;
    - (1) A minimum distance of 4.0 metres shall be provided between the principal dwelling and a Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached; and,

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- (2) A Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall be set back a minimum 5.0 metres from the front façade of the principal dwelling.
  - (ix) A maximum distance of 40.0 metres from the Front or Flankage Lot Line and the entrance to the Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached.
  - (x) An unobstructed path with a minimum 1.0 metre width and minimum 2.1 metres height clearance from a Front Lot Line or a Flankage Lot Line to the entrance of the Secondary Dwelling Unit – Detached shall be provided and maintained.
  - (xi) Balconies and rooftop patios are prohibited above the first storey.
  - (xii) Each of the landscaped areas in Subsection 11.13q) shall screened on two sides by a visual barrier that has a minimum height of 0.3 metres, and to a maximum height of 1.0 metres.”
3. That SECTION 12: EXISTING RESIDENTIAL “ER” ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection as follows:
- “12.4 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED
- Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law.”
4. That SECTION 13: RESIDENTIAL “R1” ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection as follows:
- “13.4 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED
- Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law.”
5. That SECTION 14: RESIDENTIAL “R2” ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection as follows:
- “14.4 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED
- Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law.”

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6. That SECTION 15: RESIDENTIAL "R3" ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection:  
  
"15.4 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED  
  
Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law."
7. That SECTION 16: RESIDENTIAL "R4" ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection:  
  
"16.4 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED  
  
Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law."
8. That SECTION 17: RESIDENTIAL MULTIPLE "RM1" ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection:  
  
"17.8 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED  
  
Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law."
9. That SECTION 18: RESIDENTIAL MULTIPLE "RM2" ZONE be amended by adding the following new Subsection:  
  
"18.4 REGULATIONS FOR SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS AND SECONDARY DWELLING UNITS – DETACHED  
  
Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 11.13 of this By-law."
10. That the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with the giving of notice of the passing of this By-law, in accordance with the *Planning Act*.
11. That for the purposes of the Ontario Building Code, this By-law or any part of it is not made until it has come into force as provided by Section 34 of the *Planning Act*.
12. That this By-law comes into force in accordance with Section 34 of the *Planning Act*.

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**PASSED and ENACTED** this            day of            , 21            .

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Mayor  
  
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A. Holland  
City Clerk

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Is this by-law derived from the approval of a Committee Report? Yes

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