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Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Support Community Improvement Plan Amendment

December 7, 2021 – Planning Committee Meeting

Background

- City Council, at its meeting of October 13, 2021 approved extending the Water Leak Adjustment Policy (WLAP) to rental residential properties.
- City Council approved a recommendation directing staff to prepare an amendment to the Water Wastewater Infrastructure Support Community Improvement Plan in order to implement the program for rental properties.

Background (cont'd)

- Water Leak Adjustment Policy (WLAP)
 - provides limited financial relief to eligible water customers to address abnormally high water and wastewater / storm bills associated with plumbing failures
 - Assists water customers with housing affordability challenges, promotes water conservation, supports the maintenance of existing housing stock, and protects the health of citizens

Background (cont'd)

- Municipal Act (Section 106) - Bonusing Provisions
- Planning Act (Section 28) – creation of CIPs, authorizing municipalities to provide financial assistance to commercial enterprises
- An amendment to the Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Support Community Improvement (WWW CIP) is required to extend the WLAP to rental residential properties
- Adding the program to the WWW CIP will allow bill adjustments to owners of rental properties since they are considered as commercial enterprises

2020 Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Support Community Improvement Plan

- WWW CIP was created to allow the City to provide specific infrastructure incentive programs to assist with climate change mitigation/adaptation and health protection.
- Existing Programs in the WWW CIP:
 - Protective Plumbing Program
 - Lead Water Service Replacement Loan Program

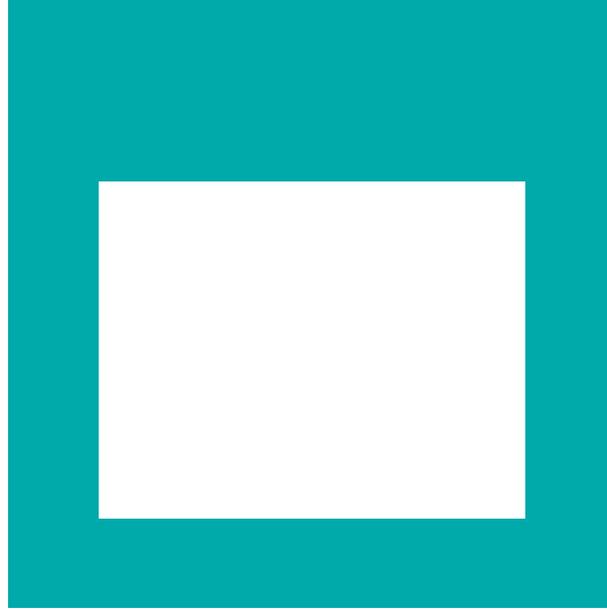
Amendment to 2020 WWW CIP

Amendment - Appendix “A” to Report

- 1) adds the WLAP Program to the CIP
- 2) Appends the WLAP Guidelines to the CIP
- 3) Adds minor technical language to the CIP to support the addition of the Program.

Amendment to 2020 WWW CIP

- Planning Act (Section 28) requires formal amendment to follow similar notice requirements for notice and circulation as for an official plan amendment
- Notice was published in Hamilton Spectator on November 19, 2021
- No comments received on the amendment as of December 3rd.



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THE CITY OF HAMILTON PLANNING COMMITTEE