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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

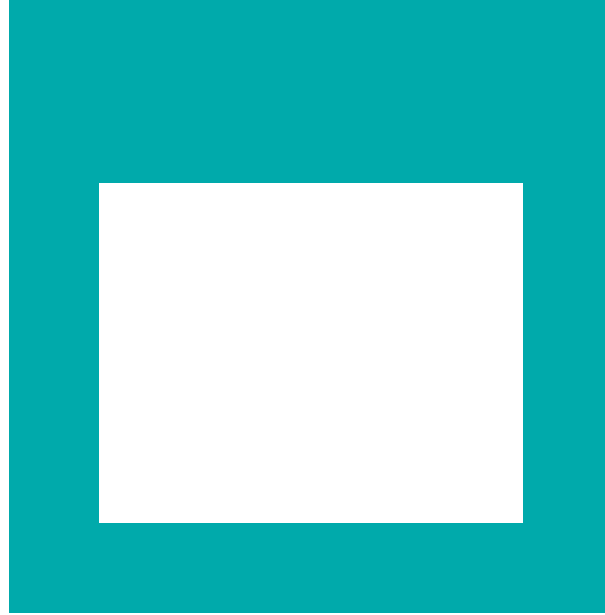
## Amendment to 2020 WWW CIP

### **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 3<sup>rd</sup>.



# THANK YOU

THE CITY OF HAMILTON PLANNING COMMITTEE