

## CIVIC MEETINGS

### TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

- Committee of the Whole – Operations and Administration commencing at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 100 Wellington Square, Brantford, ON

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020

- Social Services Committee commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 100 Wellington Square, Brantford, ON

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### City of Brantford Community Grants Program

Applications now open until March 31st, 2020

The City of Brantford is proud to work with local non-profit organizations to help build a stronger and more vibrant community. The City of Brantford Grants Program is part of our commitment to facilitating opportunities to enhance community wellbeing through support of arts, culture, heritage, recreation, the environment and health and human services.

We are pleased to accept applications for the following Grants until **MARCH 31, 2020:**

#### • Operational Grants

To facilitate self-sufficiency of community non-profit groups and programs

#### • Travel Grants

To represent the City at the municipal, provincial or national level

#### • Start-Up & Capital Funding Grants

To enhance services and programs that benefit the community in the areas of social, health, recreation, cultural, or economic development

#### • Emergency Funding Grants

To help alleviate an emergency situation faced by non-profit organizations

#### • City Services Special Event Grants

To support local-based non-profit organizations; events and activities build a stronger more vibrant community by assisting recipients with City related fees



Administered by the Brant Community Foundation (BCF), program grants are distributed to qualifying organizations based on specific criteria. Non-profit applicants who are interested in learning more are encouraged to visit the City's website for more information at [brantford.ca/grants](http://brantford.ca/grants) or contact the Brant Community Foundation at 519-756-2499 or [info@brantcf.ca](mailto:info@brantcf.ca).

## PUBLIC MEETING

### SECOND PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE CANNABIS PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING FACILITIES AMENDMENTS TO CITY ZONING BYLAW 160-90 & COUNTY ZONING BYLAW 61-16 (FILE NO. PZ-06-18)

The City of Brantford will be hosting a second Public Information Centre for City Initiated Zoning By-law Amendments on:

**Thursday March 12th, 2020**

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (brief presentation at 6:00 p.m.)**

**Brantford City Hall – Council Chambers**

**100 Wellington Square, Brantford, Ontario**

#### DETAILS ON THE PROPOSED DRAFT AMENDMENT

Application PZ-06-18 involves City Initiated Amendments to City of Brantford Zoning By-law No. 160-90 and Brant County Zoning By-law No. 61-16 which applies to the former County lands (now in the City). These amendments intend to define "Cannabis Production and Processing Facilities" within both By-laws.

A Public Information Centre was held on October 3, 2019. The changes presented at this meeting were also subject to the Public Meeting at Committee of the Whole on January 14 2020. The Staff Report can be found at this link: <https://pub-brantford.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=4825>

At Committee of the Whole, Council recommended the following amended recommendation:

#### Former County Lands:

- Define Cannabis Production and Processing Facilities, and prohibit the use.

#### City Lands:

- 400 m separation distance between residential zones and Cannabis Production and Processing Facilities

The application was referred back to Staff at Council on January 28th 2020 for an additional Public Information Centre and to allow time for input from residents regarding the amended recommendation.

#### For more information please contact:

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### CITY OF BRANTFORD 2020 INTERIM TAX BILL DUE DATES

**INSTALMENT 1: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**  
**INSTALMENT 2: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29**  
**PLEASE CALL THE TAX OFFICE AT 519-759-4150**

**IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR BILL**  
(Property owners on Monthly Pre-Authorized Payments do not receive an Interim Bill)

Cheques, post-dated to the due date, can be sent early to ensure you do not miss the due-date above. Late payments received after the due-date are subject to a penalty of 1.25 % of the unpaid tax, on the first day of default. Additional penalty and interest of 1.25% is added on the first day of each month thereafter. Penalty and interest charges cannot be waived.

#### PAYMENTS:

**IN-PERSON:** At City Hall, 100 Wellington Square during normal business hours (8:30 to 4:30, Monday to Friday). Please note – payments can no longer be accepted at 220 Colborne St. A drop box for after-hours payments is located to the left of the front door. Do not put cash in the dropbox.

**BY MAIL:** To The City of Brantford, PO Box 515, Brantford, ON N3T 6L6.

**AT YOUR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION:** Ask your banker for the payment options they may provide.

**ONLINE BANKING:** Payment can be made through online banking using your account number. Please pay at least two days before due date to ensure we receive your payment in time.

**PREAUTHORIZED PAYMENT (PAP):** Taxes may be paid conveniently by PAP from your bank account. Monthly PAP is now offered for the 1st or 15th of the month. Please call our Tax Office for details. Online forms are also available from our website [brantford.ca](http://brantford.ca).

#### PROPERTIES WITH TAX ARREARS

Tax Sale legislation has changed. If your property taxes are in arrears for all or part of TWO (formerly three) years as of January 1, it is subject to the Municipal Act, 2001, Part XI - Sale of Land for Tax Arrears, and subject to our fees and costs for all notices sent to inform you of this matter.

#### NEW CONSTRUCTION PROPERTIES

For newly constructed / renovated homes or buildings, it can take up to three years for the assessment to be given to the City, but taxes are payable from the date of fit-for-occupancy or possession. Please plan ahead by setting aside funds for these retroactive tax billings. You can also pre-pay by joining the PAP plans. Call 519-759-4150 for details.

#### PHONE SCAMS

Taxpayers should be cautious of fraudulent phone calls that request personal information such as a social insurance number, credit card number, or bank account number. These scams may insist that this personal information is needed as a result of tax arrears.

Brantford's Tax Department initiates all dialogue regarding tax arrears through written correspondence and phone numbers are not kept on file unless contact has already been established by the property owner.

If you suspect you may be the victim of fraud or have been tricked into giving personal or financial information, contact the Brantford Police non-emergency telephone number at **519-756-0113** or **519-756-7050**. You can also report any suspicious phone calls to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at **1-888-495-8501** or [antifraudcentre.ca](http://antifraudcentre.ca)

