



West Hants

Public Information Meeting

MPS Amendments related to Public Engagement:
Hantsport, West Hants and Windsor
and

Public Participation Program Policy Revisions

December 8, 2022



AGENDA

1. Chair calls meeting to order
2. Introduction by Chair
3. Municipal Planning Strategy Amendments: Hantsport, West Hants, Windsor: outline by planner
4. Questions or comments from the public in attendance or PAC/HAC members
5. Closing remarks by Chair

Note: no decisions have been made yet!

MPS Amendments Regarding Public Participation Program

- Hantsport, Windsor and West Hants each had a Public Participation Program Policy for many years
- December 2019 “Engagement Programs Content Regulations made under Section 204A of the Municipal Government Act” require all Municipal Planning Strategies to contain policy referring to the Public Participation Program Policy
- April 28, 2020 Council approved a Public Participation Program Policy for the Region; it reflects the policies earlier developed by the individual units

MPS Amendments regarding Public Participation Program

- there is no reference to the Public Participation Program Policy in any of the current Municipal Planning Strategies
- there are no policies within the Municipal Planning Strategies for Hantsport, West Hants or Windsor which must be considered in relation to the proposed amendments since this policy reflects process rather than any other content



Public Participation Program Policy Amendments

- in addition, the *Engagement Programs Content Regulations* require that the Public Participation Program Policy states how a municipal unit will advise abutting municipal units of a proposed Municipal Planning Strategy or amendments
- Policy must ensure that the notice allows ample time for the abutting municipalities to comment on proposed changes before Council holds “First Reading”, or announces its intention to adopt or amend a Municipal Planning Strategy
- revisions will be needed to the Public Participation Program Policy

MPS Amendment Process

Notice was placed in
the Valley Journal
and on Facebook and
the Municipal
Website

* anticipated dates

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Staff Review

PAC/HAC Review and Recommendation – January 12, 2023*

Council First Reading – January 24, 2023*

Public Hearing & Second Reading – February 28, 2023*

Ministerial Consideration

Notice in Newspaper

Staff Review



PAC/HAC Review and Recommendation



Seven (7) Days Notice to Council



Council Consideration and Decision

Policy
Amendment
Process

Comments Submission: MPS Amendments

- comments and questions can be submitted by the public until 12:00 noon, Thursday December 22, 2022
- correspondence should be sent to Madelyn LeMay:

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