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Name or Organization or Firm:	
Name and Title of Presenter(s): Jim Jeffs	
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Date of Meeting Requested: July 10, 2024

How will you attend Council? In-person Electronically
 *The delegate shall notify the Clerk at least five (5) business Days in advance.

Subject matter to be discussed:	Cannabis odour unit threshold and definition of 'adverse effect'.
If not for information, identify the desired action requested:	Reduce the cannabis odour unit threshold to 1 odour unit. Do not qualify the definition of 'adverse effect' by relating it to odour units.

Have you previously spoken on this issue? Yes No
 If a group or individual has previously appeared as a delegate, a further delegation from the same group or individual on the same topic will not be permitted, unless there is significant new information to be brought forward.

Do you have presentation material or speaking notes? Yes No
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I have read and understand the Delegation Protocol attached to this form and understand that the information contained on this form, including any attachments submitted, will become public documents and listed on the Town's meeting agenda and posted to the Town's website. I also understand that as a participant of this meeting, I will be recorded and further understand that this recording will be posted to the Town of Pelham's YouTube Channel.

Signature 

Date June 28, 2024

At the Pelham Council meeting on June 19, Councillor Wink gave Notice of Motion regarding the reduction of the cannabis odour unit threshold. He also mentioned consulting with Phil Girard, the odour expert. The following excerpts from the minutes of the Cannabis Control Committee meetings will show that Phil Girard recommended 1 to 2 odour units, but staff did not agree.

Jan. 8, 2020 - Item 5

"T. Nohara reviewed the amendments and it was noted that input from Phil Girard is being sought regarding frequency that a facility exceeds 2 (two) odour units."

Jan. 15, 2020 - Item 4

"T. Nohara requested staff's comments on the draft Odorous Industries Nuisance By-law in order for the Committee to move forward."

"D. Cribbs noted concerns of staff relate to the definition of adverse effect, definition of vicinity, phase-in of the odour mitigation plan, odour threshold of 2 odour units, enforcement details and some formatting concerns."

Jan. 29, 2020

"D. Cribbs noted concerns with the 'adverse effect' definition."

Note: The Ontario Environmental Protection Act states, "Subject to subsection (2) but despite any other provision of this Act or the regulations, a person shall not discharge a contaminant or cause or permit the discharge of a contaminant into the natural environment, if the discharge causes or may cause an adverse effect. 2005, c. 12, s. 1 (5)".

'Adverse effect' means one or more of items (a) to (h) with (g) being, 'loss of enjoyment of normal use of property'.

Nov. 25, 2020

"Presentations from Phil Girard and Bob Lymburner on the design of the Ambient Odour Monitoring Program."

"P. Girard noted his concerns that 4 and 6 odour units are too high to be protective and need to be lowered."

Jan. 20, 2021 - Item 3 Implementation of the OINB

(a) "P. Girard gave a detailed presentation on the design of the Ambient Odour Monitoring Program that will help the Town implement the Odorous Industries Nuisance By-law. Revisions include odour sampling frequency and location for quality measurements; discussion of receptor impacts and

reporting; and recommendations reducing the odour unit limits to 1 odour unit, as the current ones are not protective. P. Girard noted that complaints are the key to establishing 'adverse impacts'."

(c) "P. Girard and the committee also discussed reducing the odour threshold that By-law is using based on actual experience. P. Girard confirmed that the most important tool is the Town's complaints, and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks sets 1 odour unit on odorous industries." — — — "It is clear from complaints that Redecan is causing off-property impact."

Feb. 17, 2021

"T. Nohara reviewed the recommendations from P. Girard regarding the final design of the odour monitoring program. These include imposing a 1 odour unit limit at sensitive and proposed sensitive uses, and weekly reporting from the odour sampling contractor to staff."