

Charter Bylaw 18530

To add Cannabis Retail Sales and Cannabis Lounges to the list of permitted uses for land with an existing DC2 Site Specific Development Control Provision, Summerlea

Purpose

Rezone from DC2 to DC2 located at 8882 - 170 Street NW and 17410 - 87 Avenue NW (West Edmonton Mall).

Readings

Charter Bylaw 18530 is ready for three readings after the public hearing has been held. If Council wishes to give three readings during a single meeting, Council must unanimously agree "That Charter Bylaw 18530 be considered for third reading."

Advertising and Signing

This Charter Bylaw has been advertised in the Edmonton Journal on August 17, 2018 and August 25, 2018. The Charter Bylaw can be passed following third reading.

Position of Administration

Administration supports this proposed Charter Bylaw.

Report

The Federal Government has confirmed the sale and consumption of cannabis will be legalized in October 2018. Following Council's amendment of the Zoning Bylaw to permit Cannabis Retail Sales in a range of commercial zones and a limited number of mixed use and industrial zones (refer to CR_5812). Approximately 14 applications have been put forward to amend existing (DC2) Site Specific Development Control zoned sites to add Cannabis Retail Sales.

Cannabis Retail Sales will have a similar land use impact as minor alcohol sales or convenience retail stores which are the focus of many commercial zones and already in the existing DC2 Provision.

The proposed Bylaw will also add a new regulation to the current (DC2) that will ensure that Section 70 of the Zoning Bylaw will apply to the development of cannabis retail sales.

There are no regulations attached to the development of Cannabis Lounges but addition of this use at this time, will avoid another rezoning in the future to add the use since it is anticipated to be included in future legislation.

Policy

The proposed Bylaw supports *The Way We Grow*, Edmonton's Municipal Development Plan strategic goal of Supporting Prosperity: *Edmonton is home to an innovative and diverse business environment that fosters economic development and supports prosperity.*

Corporate Outcomes

The proposed Bylaw contributes to the Corporate Outcomes "Edmonton has a globally competitive and entrepreneurial business climate" by creating commercial development opportunities.

Public Consultation

Advance Notice was sent to surrounding property owners and the Belmead, Summerlea and Thorncliff Community Leagues as well as the West Edmonton Council of Community Leagues on July 10, 2018. See attached report for summary of comments.

Attachments

1. Charter Bylaw 18530
2. City Planning Report