



## CLARIFICATION ON PROPOSED ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS Bylaws 2020-06 and 2020-07

1. The proposed bylaw amendment to add “Cannabis Retail Stores” as a **discretionary use** in the **Highway Commercial District**:
  - A discretionary use DOES NOT mean that an application to open a retail cannabis store would be automatically permitted. It means that it would allow for an application to be made to the Town for a cannabis retail store but in order for that application to be approved, it would still need to meet the criteria and regulations in that district. Further to that, the Provincial government will not issue a Provincial license unless both the Provincial and Municipal regulations are met.
  - The only district the bylaw amendment proposes to allow a cannabis retail store is the Highway Commercial District which is as follows:
    - businesses located on the land between Railway Avenue East and Highway 11 and some of the businesses located North of Highway 312.
  - With the proposed bylaw, Cannabis Retail stores **WOULD NOT** be allowed in any Residential, Mixed Use, Community Service, Downtown Commercial or Industrial Districts.
2. The proposed bylaw amendment to add “Cannabis Grow Operation” as a **discretionary use** to the **Industrial District**:
  - DOES NOT mean an application to start a cannabis grow operation would be automatically permitted. Similar to cannabis retail stores, an applicant would be required to first of all find an appropriate piece of land in the Industrial District and would need to meet all the Provincial and Municipal regulations. There are standards for approving and refusing applications.
3. The proposed rezoning of Surface Parcel 133512768 (old medical clinic) from Community Services District to the Mixed-Use district is to allow for uses other than the medical clinic to exist on that property. **A Cannabis Retail Store is NOT a permitted use NOR is it a discretionary use in the Mixed-Use District so there will be NO APPLICATION ACCEPTED for this District.**

If you have a submission to present to council either for or against any of these amendments please submit them in writing to the town office either by email at [townoffice@rosthern.com](mailto:townoffice@rosthern.com) or in person by Friday October 16, 2020.

Due to COVID-19 social distancing restrictions there will be limited space for in person attendance at this Public Meeting however this meeting may be accessed electronically via computer, tablet, or device through the Microsoft Teams. To access this meeting, you will need to pre-register with the Town Office prior to 5 p.m. on October 19, 2020.

If you have any questions call the Town Office at 306 232 4826.