

## Notice of Public Meeting

# Proposed New Comprehensive Community Improvement Plan City of Port Colborne

Provincial legislation allows municipalities to prepare and adopt Community Improvement Plans so that the municipality can offer financial incentive programs to encourage community improvement, revitalization and development projects in strategic areas of the municipality. The City of Port Colborne has had in place a number of Community Improvement Plans (CIPs) for several years.

### New Comprehensive Community Improvement Plan (CIP)

The City of Port Colborne recently completed a review and comprehensive updating and consolidation of its existing CIPs into one new streamlined Comprehensive CIP. The proposed Comprehensive CIP will replace all of the City's existing CIPs, except for the Gateway Economic Zone and Centre CIP, which will remain in place.

The new Comprehensive CIP proposes enhanced and expanded financial incentive programs to promote various types of community improvement including commercial and mixed use building revitalization in the Downtown, Main Street, and East Waterfront areas, as well as affordable housing and brownfield redevelopment across the urban area of the City of Port Colborne. The proposed Comprehensive CIP will be available for review as of August 31, 2023, and can be found on the City's "Incentives and Grants" webpage and/or the Economic Development Division at City Hall.

#### **Public Meeting**

City Council is hosting a Legislated Public Meeting on September 26th, 2023, to receive comments on the proposed new Comprehensive CIP. Council will review comments prior to making a decision on the proposed Comprehensive CIP at a following meeting. The details of the Public Meeting are as follows:

**Date:** Tuesday, September 26th, 2023

**Time:** 6:30 pm

Place: City Hall, 66 Charlotte Street –

Third Floor Council Chambers

\*Virtual participation is also available via Zoom\* (Contact the Deputy Clerk below for meeting details)

A copy of the Staff Report on the proposed Comprehensive CIP will be available to the public as of September 21, 2023, by contacting the Clerk's Division at 905-835-2901 ext. 115, or on the City's website at www.portcolborne.ca under "Council Meeting Calendar".

#### **More Information**

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, please contact Gary Long, Manager of Strategic Initiatives, at (905) 835-2900 ext. 502 or gary.long@portcolborne.ca

#### **How to Participate?**

**Observe the Public Meeting**: Any interested members of the public can attend the meeting inperson or watch the meeting live on the City's YouTube channel. The link to the meeting is available on the City's Committees, Boards and Council Calendar: https://calendar.portcolborne.ca/meetings?\_mid\_=79262.

**Submit a written comment**: Written comments can be submitted through email to deputyclerk@portcolborne.ca or by mail or drop-off to the Deputy Clerk at 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, ON, L3K 3C8. Written comments must be received by no later than noon on Tuesday, September 26th, 2023, to be included in the addendum package and circulated to City Council. All written comments will become part of the public record.

**Orally participate in-person**: Oral comments can be provided at the public meeting. Preregistration with the Deputy Clerk is not required; however, it is encouraged. For preregistration, please contact the Deputy Clerk at deputyclerk@portcolborne.ca. The Mayor will call on registered delegates prior to opening the floor to non-registered participants. Speakers will be permitted up to 10 minutes to provide their oral comments.

**Orally participate virtually via Zoom**: Oral comments can be provided virtually through the Zoom meeting. Pre-registration is required for this method. Interested participants must pre-register with the Deputy Clerk at deputyclerk@portcolborne.ca by no later than noon on Tuesday, September 26th, 2023.

#### **Legal Notice**

#### Ontario Regulation 543/06

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the City of Port Colborne on the proposed Community Improvement Plan, you must make a written request to the City of Port Colborne City Clerk, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne, ON L3K 3C8 or cityclerk@portcolborne.ca

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the City of Port Colborne to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Port Colborne before the proposed Community Improvement Plan is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the City of Port Colborne before the proposed Community Improvement Plan is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

Dated at the City of Port Colborne this 31st day of August, 2023.