

1. Zoning - Renewable Energy Generation Facility and Battery Energy Storage Systems Interim Regulations and Increasing Opportunity for Access to Retail Food Stores

Règlements intermédiaires sur l'installation de production de l'énergie renouvelable et sur les systèmes de stockage de l'énergie dans des batteries et amélioration des perspectives d'accès aux magasins d'alimentation au détail

Committee recommendation(s)

That Council approve the following amendments to Zoning By-law 2008-250, as detailed in Document 1:

- 1. Permit a retail food store in additional zones;**
- 2. Add a new definition for Renewable Energy Generation Facility and modify the definition of Utility installation to exclude Renewable Energy Generation Facilities; and**
- 3. Limit the size of battery energy storage systems in Agricultural Zones.**

Recommandation(s) du Comité

Que le Conseil approuve les modifications suivantes à apporter au Règlement de zonage (n° 2008 250) selon les modalités précisées dans la pièce 1 :

- 1. Autoriser l'aménagement d'un magasin d'alimentation au détail dans des zones supplémentaires;**
- 2. Ajouter une nouvelle définition pour l'installation de production de l'énergie renouvelable et modifier la définition de l'installation des services publics afin d'exclure les**

installations de production de l'énergie renouvelable;

- 3. Limiter la taille des systèmes de stockage de l'énergie par des batteries dans les zones agricoles.**

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Documentation/Documentation

- 1 Report from the A/Director, Economic Development and Long Range Planning, dated May 26, 2023 (ACS2023-PRE-EDP-0010)
Rapport du I/Directeur, Développement économique et planification à long-terme, daté le 26 mai 2023 (ACS2023-PRE-EDP-0010)
- 2 Extract of draft Minutes, Planning and Housing Committee, July 5, 2023
Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal du Comité de la planification et du logement, le 5 juillet 2023
- 3 Extract of draft Minutes, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, July 6, 2023
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- Angela Keller-Hertzog spoke to a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk which touched on interim context, energy transition from fossil fuels, energy resiliency and Local benefits and local choices.

The following written submissions were received by, and are filed with, the Office of the City Clerk, and distributed to Committee Members:

- Email dated June 25, 2023 from M. Baggott

Following discussions and questions of staff, the Committee carried the report recommendations as presented.

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- Raymond Leury spoke in support of the food retail portion but expressed concerns with the green energy and battery storage facility, noting bold actions are required to reduce GHG emissions and touched on the benefits of wind turbines and the importance of community engagement.

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