

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

BY-LAW NO. 20-18

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 20-16, BEING A BY-LAW TO PROVIDE A FULL PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME OLDER ADULTS WHO ARE THE OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON.

WHEREAS The Regional Municipality of Halton approved the development of a full property tax deferral program for low-income seniors as set out in Report No. FN-20-15.

AND WHEREAS section 8 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides The Regional Municipality of Halton with authority to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate.

AND WHEREAS section 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides The Regional Municipality of Halton with authority to pass by-laws related to the health, safety and well-being of persons.

AND WHEREAS section 107 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, permits The Regional Municipality of Halton to make grants for any purpose that Regional Council considers to be in the interests of the municipality.

AND WHEREAS The Regional Municipality of Halton considers it to be in the interests of the municipality to offer a property tax deferral to eligible older adults as a financial support to allow them to remain in their homes;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary to amend By-law No. 20-16, a by-law to provide a full property tax deferral program for low-income older adults who are the owners of real property in the Regional Municipality of Halton.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT By-law No. 20-16, being a by-law to provide a full property tax deferral program for low-income older adults who are the owners of real property in the Regional Municipality of Halton, is hereby amended by:
  - (a) Deleting subsection 2(3) and substituting the following therefor:

“2(3) THAT any property taxes deferred pursuant to this by-law, plus accrued interest if applicable, shall constitute a special lien on the applicable real property to which the

property tax deferral applies pursuant to section 349 of the Municipal Act.”

(b) Deleting subsection 7(2) and substituting the following therefor:

“7(2) THAT upon approval of the property tax deferral, a non-refundable administration fee of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) will be added to the deferral amounts in the applicant’s tax account. This fee is for costs associated with administrative costs for the Eligible Property in accordance with section 2(3) of this By-law.”

2. THAT By-law No. 20-16 shall continue in full force and effect as amended herein.
3. THAT this By-law comes into force on the date it is passed.

READ and PASSED this 18th day of April, 2018.

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REGIONAL CHAIR

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REGIONAL CLERK

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