



**City of Cambridge
Consumption and Treatment Services Site
Identification Community Consultation
Feedback Report
October 12, 2021**

Purpose

- To provide the feedback report to the Consumption and Treatment Services identified sites Community Consultation process;
- Staff recommend receipt of the report and the feedback.

Background

June 2019

- Council directed Staff to retain a facilitator to complete Community Consultation and identify candidate sites

November 2020

- Council approved CTS Planning Study

November 2020 – March 30, 2021

- Staff identified Candidate Sites and finalized the Community Consultation Framework

Background continued...

April 2021

- Council provided direction to staff based on 2 potential candidate sites to move forward with the Community Consultation Framework;

May-September 2021

- Community Consultation completed.

Site Identification

- From November 2020 to March 2021, sites were identified and evaluated through a screening process;
- In this phase, sites were evaluated based on whether they met certain criteria as primarily set out by the provincial and federal governments;
- The goal was to identify sites that met most criteria and report back to Council potential candidate sites for the next phase of site evaluation (Community Consultation phase);
- Based on the criteria, staff proposed 15 Easton Street and 8 Oxford Street as both properties met the majority of criteria required and received consent from property owners for further consideration.

Site Evaluation Checklist

- A Candidate Site Evaluation Checklist was developed to help screen potential sites
- Criteria were selected based on information from the Provincial Consumption and Treatment Services Application Guide, the Meridian Planning Study, and input from stakeholders
- The guiding principles used for developing the evaluation were accessibility, capacity, and community considerations

Candidate Site Evaluation Checklist		
Criteria	Comments/Reference Maps	Meets Criteria
1. Within Area of Need.	Proximity to Area of Need map (Heat Map).	
2. 10 minutes walking distance between Site and Area of Need.	Travel Time from Area of Need map.	
3. Accessible by public transit.	Travel Time from Area of Need map.	
4. AODA compliant or easy conversion.	Facility should be at ground floor level or have elevators. Existing floor plan should allow for ease of reconfiguration, and should have multiple washrooms, and entrance/exits.	
5. Facility is large enough to accommodate wrap-around services.	Gross floor area of the space should be at least 2,000 sf.	
6. Outside of Core Areas.	Proximity to Downtown Galt Core Area and Buffer Zone Map.	
7. Outside of Buffer Zones.	Proximity to Downtown Galt Core Area and Buffer Zone Map.	
8. 200m from child care centres.	Proximity to Child Care Centres Map.	
9. 200m from schools.	Proximity to Schools Map.	
10. 200m from parks.	Proximity to Parks Map.	
11. 200m from residential areas.	Proximity to Residential Areas Map.	
12. Property owner is agreeable to use.	The property owner has confirmed that he/she is agreeable for the property to be used as a CTS facility subject to lease terms being finalized.	

Site Evaluation Results

- Two sites (15 Easton Street and 8 Oxford) checked the most boxes and most importantly the property owners are agreeable for their properties to be used for a CTS site
- The table to the right summarizes the evaluation results for 15 Easton Street and 8 Oxford Street
- Reference maps in the following slides were used as part of the evaluation

Criteria	Comments/Reference	15 Easton St.	8 Oxford St.
1. Within Area of Need.	See Map 1 – Proximity to Area of Need	✓	✓
2. 10 minutes walking distance between Site and Area of Need.	See Map 2 – Travel Time to Area of Need	✗ (walking time is 14 minutes)	✓
3. Public transit nearby.	See Map 2 – Travel Time to Area of Need	✓	✓
4. AODA compliant OR easy for conversion.	Spaces are located on ground floor with open floor space plans for easier re-configuration. However, should be confirmed by SME.	✓ (to be assessed further)	✓ (to be assessed further)
5. Facility is large enough for expanded services	Gross floor areas are greater than 2,000 sf.	✓	✓
6. Outside of Core Areas.	See Map 3 – Proximity to Galt Downtown Core and 500 m Buffer Zone	✓	✓
7. Outside of Buffer Zones.	See Map 3 – Proximity to Galt Downtown Core and 500 m Buffer Zone	✓	✗ (By-law expired)
8. 200m from child care centres	See Map 4 – Proximity to Child Care Centres	✓	✓
9. 200m from schools.	See Map 5 – Proximity to Schools	✓	✓
10. 200m from parks.	See Map 6 – Proximity to Parks	✓	✓
11. 200m from residential areas.	See Map 7 – Proximity to Residential Areas	✓	✗ (not identified as a provincial criteria)
12. Property owner is agreeable to CTS use.	Note that there are no binding agreements in place between property owners and the City.	✓	✓

Potential Future Operator(s) Process

- Potential future operator(s) may initiate the application process with the province at any time;
- An operator may come forward at any time with a preferred site;
- An operator is required to receive Council's endorsement of the site to move forward with submitting their application;
- Council has also requested that an operator provide Council with a comprehensive workplan as part of the application process.

Next Steps

- The report before Council requests receipt of the information.
- Additional budget has not been assigned for staff to review additional sites at this time.
- Should an operator come forward staff would take direction from the province on any future engagement

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