

# Women urged to oppose packaging standards

"I encourage you to write letters to your local MPP and to the ministry of the environment in Queen's Park, stating that you are not satisfied with the producers packaging tactics."

"Pressure has to be placed on the government to hopefully get improvements made and some types of packaging banned," stated Jo Ann Opperman, a member of Pollution Probe Toronto, at a recent meeting of the Local Council of Women.

Jo Ann stated that the ministry of environment has given Ontario industries one year to improve their packaging techniques i.e. cutdown on the amount of unnecessary packaging, etc., and the March deadline for the companies is now drawing near. For this reason, Jo Ann urged the women to write letters voicing their concern and disagreements.

According to Jo Ann packaging, as part of solid waste, falls into the three R's

category: reduction, re-use and re-cycling. She explained to the Georgetown council that a tremendous amount of waste is involved in excess packaging.

"There is a constant waste of energy which goes into the making and actual packaging, a waste of materials for the packaging and a waste of money which is used to dispose of the packaging. Forty per cent of all the solid waste is made up of producer packaging."

"I'm not saying that all packaging is bad, but we certainly do have some evil examples." Jo Ann related the L'Eggs container as being one of the best examples of over-packaging. First, holding the pair of panty-hose in a solid plastic egg-shaped container. Then surrounding this container, from the centre down, is a wax-coated paper holder.

Another prime example is a plastic tube of shampoo which is also encased by a wax-coated paper structure.

However, Jo Ann feels the biggest offender is the newly invented stacked potato chips. These chips are surrounded by a sheet of heavy, cardboard-type paper. They are contained in a plastic-coated tin holder which itself is cased with wax-coated paper. To plastic lid covers the lid which is removed upon the opening of the container.

All this eventually led into a discussion concerning over-packaging and the enormous waste produced by the McDonalds hamburger chain. Each hamburger is enclosed, each order of french fries is placed in a paper bag, straws, serviettes, paper bags, all are handed to the customers. Even

if the customer requests that a paper bag or a straw etc. is not necessary they have no choice but to accept them.

Jo Ann explained that packaging goes back to about 2,000 B.C. but it has been the 20th century that has witnessed and encouraged the tremendous increase in producer packaging.

She continued to explain, since World War 2 the packaging business has boomed. Soldiers needed their foods packaged in order to keep them dry. The producers

caught onto this procedure and expanded.

In the days of general stores, most of the products would be delivered in bulk to the store and the store-keeper would then dish out the required amount needed by the customer. Into self-provided containers. However, now everything must be neatly stacked and arranged so that the consumer can and must help themselves.

"Either we should strive for durable containers which have multiple uses or have con-

tainers which are not extremely sturdy and which do not harm the environment," told Jo Ann.

"Some things we don't have alternatives for, as we do just say, for soda pop which can and should be packaged in returnable bottles. We all realize that if packaging is cut down many jobs and profits will be jeopardized, if we want useless packaged stopped and packaging in general reduced. But we have to ask ourselves, how much can this planet take?"



EXAMINING THE NATURAL GOODS. Natural food foods was one of the topics discussed at a recent meeting of the Georgetown Local Council of Women. Examining samples of natural food are left to right, Connie Nieuwhof, a member of the council, Doris Newman, executive director of the Manna Foods Inc. and Jo Ann Opperman who spoke to the council on excess producer packaging.

## Soul explained

Byron Patchett, area representative of Eckankar, will hold an introductory lecture on Eckankar, the ancient science of soul travel, on Thursday, February 5.

The free lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Cedarvale Community Centre and is open to the public.

For further information concerning the lecture, Mr. Patchett can be contacted at 453-4177.

Eckankar, says Mr. Patchett, is not a religion, philosophy nor occult system, but it is a doctrine whose aim is to bring about the highest awareness of one's own consciousness and establish within oneself the deep significance of the position that only occupies in all places simultaneously.

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# NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills intends to apply to the Ontario Municipal Board pursuant to the provisions of Section 35 of The Planning Act for approval of by-law 75-112 passed on the 15th day of December, 1975. A copy of the by-law is furnished herewith. A note giving an explanation of the purpose and effect of the by-law and stating the lands affected thereby, is also furnished herewith.

ANY PERSON interested may, within (14) days after the date of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk Administrator of The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills notice of his objection to approval of the said by-law together with a statement of the grounds of such objection.

ANY PERSON wishing to support the application for approval of the by-law may with fourteen (14) days after the date of this notice send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk Administrator of The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills notice of his support to approval of the said by-law together with a request for notice of any hearing that may be held, giving also the name and address to which such notice should be given.

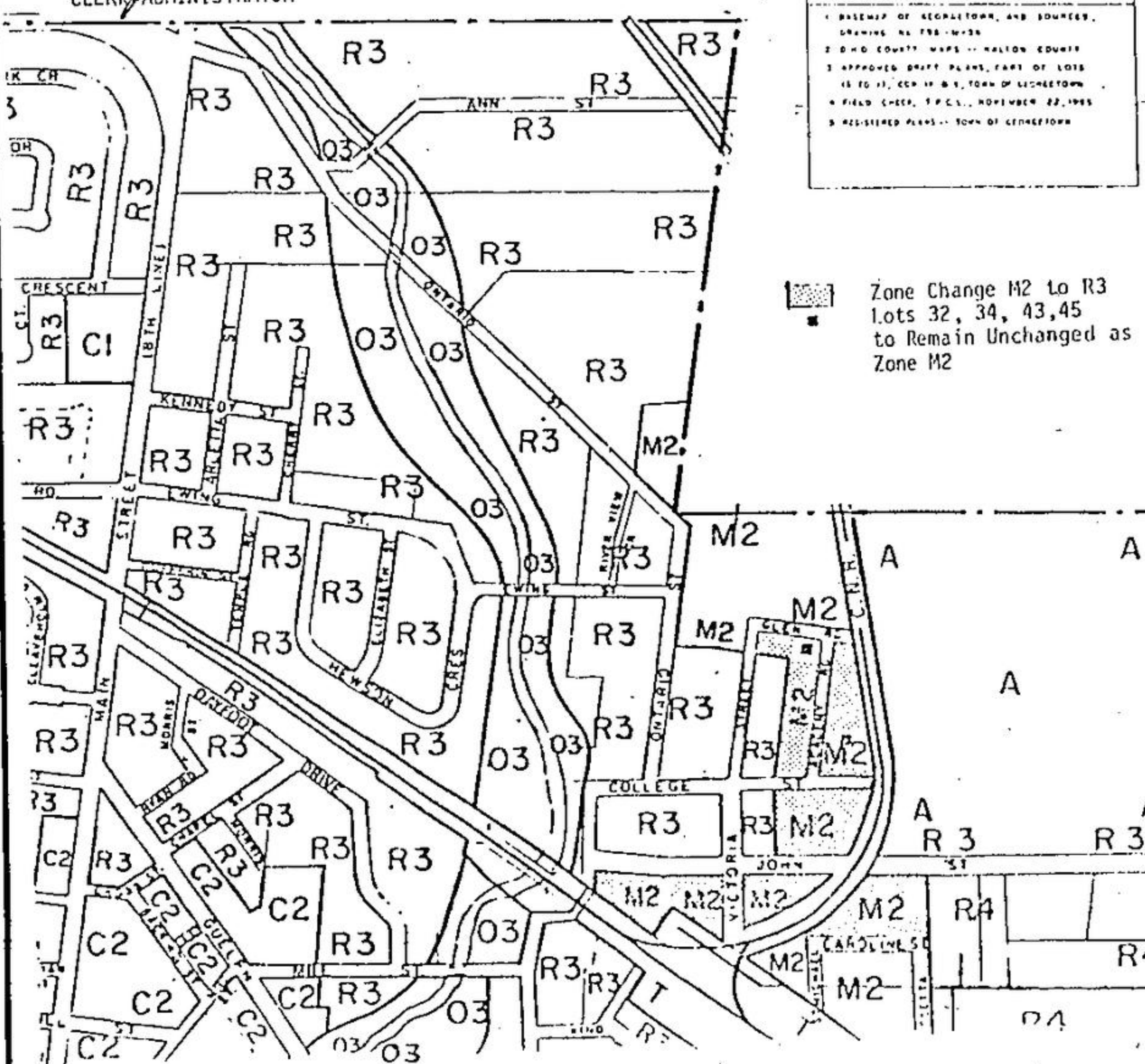
THE ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD may approve of the said by-law, but before doing so it may appoint a time and place when any objection that may be held will be given only to persons who have filed an objection or notice of support and who have left with or delivered to the Clerk Administrator undersigned, the address to which notice of hearing is to be sent.

THE LAST DATE for filing objections will be January 29th, 1976.  
DATED at the Town of Halton Hills this 14th day of January, 1976.

G. D. PRITCHARD, Clerk Administrator  
The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 36 Main Street, South, Georgetown, Ontario L7G 3G4

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 75-112  
PASSED ON THE 15th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1975.  
MAYOR  
CLERK ADMINISTRATOR

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## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS BY-LAW No. 75-112

A By-law to amend Zoning By-law 57-91, as amended, of the former Town of Georgetown, now part of the Town of Halton Hills, and to repeal By-law 75-74.

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills enacted By-law 75-74 to amend Zoning By-law 57-91, as amended, on the 21st day of August, 1975, and now deems it advisable to repeal the same and

WHEREAS the said Council also deems it necessary and advisable to amend Zoning By-law 57-91, as amended, so as to change the zone designation of the lands outlined on the plan attached to this By-law as Schedule "A", from Industrial Second Density (M2) to Residential Third Density (R3).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That By-law 57-91 for The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills (formerly The Corporation of the Town of Georgetown) is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a section to be known as Section 13.4, which said section shall read as follows:  
"13.4 Schedule "A" is amended by changing the zone designation of those lands outlined on the plan attached to this By-law as Schedule "A", from Industrial Second Density (M2) to Residential Third Density (R3)."
2. This By-law shall become effective on the date of passing hereof subject to receiving the approval of the Ontario Municipal Board.
3. That By-law 75-74 and the same is hereby repealed in its entirety.

By-law read a first and second time this 15th day of December, 1975.  
THOS. J. HILL, MAYOR

G. D. PRITCHARD, CLERK ADMINISTRATOR

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS Amendment to Zoning By-Law 57-91 by By-Law 75-112

Council for The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills deems it necessary and advisable to amend zoning by-law 57-91 (of the former Town of Georgetown) to change the zone designation of the lands shown as the shaded areas on Schedule "A" to by-law 75-112 from Industrial Second Density (M2) to Residential Third Density (R3).

Under zoning by-law 57-91 the uses which presently may be made of the property in accordance with its Industrial Second Density (M2) zoning are set out in Section 7.3.1.1 of the by-law and include the following uses:

"shops for the repair, assembly or manufacture of small goods and wares, including parts for automotive bodies and similar items, laundries, printers, cleaners and dyers, storage warehouse, public garages and service stations, and manufacturing or industrial operations which are not obnoxious within enclosed structures or buildings."

If the zoning of the property under consideration is changed to Residential Third Density (R3) the uses which may then be made of the lands are set out in Section 5.2.3.1. of zoning by-law 57-91 and include the following uses:

"single family detached dwellings, public, separate, and high schools, churches, parks and playgrounds operated by the Town of Halton Hills and accessory uses including private garages and television antennas."  
The lands immediately to the south of the property being rezoned are used for Industrial purposes; the lands to the east are used for agricultural and residential purposes; the lands to the north are used for Industrial purposes; and the lands to the west are used for residential purposes.

Those areas designated on Schedule "A" to by-law 75-112 by the dark square fronting on Glen Road and Academy Road are presently used for Industrial purposes and for this reason the zone designation of those lands will remain as Industrial Second Density (M2).

If by-law 75-112 is approved by the Ontario Municipal Board the zone designation of the lands as Residential Third Density (R3) will be in conformity with the Official Plan in force for the property under consideration.

G. D. PRITCHARD, Clerk Administrator  
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