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## CANADA'S FIRST-RESPONDER NETWORK WINS INTERNATIONAL AWARD

Canada's communications network for first responders, the PSBN Innovation Alliance (PIA), has received international recognition for its "fundamental advocacy, cutting-edge technology and innovative model."

The PIA was awarded at the International Critical Communication Awards — which recognizes groundbreaking work in the critical communications field across the globe — for Best Government Authority Collaboration.

"The digital age has created enormous new opportunities to help first responders save lives," said Halton Police Chief Steve Tanner in a media release. "The PIA is focused on making critical communications technology a reality in Canada and has already successfully demonstrated the value of PSBN in many instances, including at the recent 2021 Grey Cup and at the 2022 NHL Heritage Classic."

Tanner is also one of the founding members of the PIA.

According to the release, the PIA is the country's first and only operational public safety broadband network that is used by first responders, serving more than 2.5 million Canadians.

The not-for-profit association has more than 65 members, including first responder organizations, governments, utilities, critical infrastructure entities and innovative commercial partners from both Canada and around the globe.

## Notice of Statutory Public Meeting



### Concerning Town-Initiated Amendments to the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan (Official Plan Amendment 49)

Monday, December 12, 2022 at 6 p.m. via Zoom virtual meeting

To join the virtual meeting, use one of the following methods and a staff member will admit you once the item is being discussed:

Enter Zoom ID 842 5101 3630 in the Zoom app

Call 1-587-328-1099

Town of Halton Hills Council will hold a Public Meeting to examine and discuss a Town-initiated Official Plan Amendment which will have the purpose of making changes to the Town's pre-consultation process, subjecting Site Plan applications to complete application requirements, and updating the supplementary information requirements for development applications. The Official Plan Amendment would apply to all lands within the Town of Halton Hills.

The Official Plan Amendment is intended to implement changes resulting from Bill 109, More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022. Schedule 5 of Bill 109 made changes to the Planning Act which, amongst other things, requires municipalities to refund all, or a portion of, application fees for Zoning By-law Amendment or Site Plan applications if decisions are not made by the municipality within statutory timeframes.

**Please note:** the Council Meeting will commence at 6 p.m. but there may be other preceding items which could impact the 6 p.m. start time for this Public Meeting. Please consult the Council agenda available online the Friday before the Monday meeting.

#### Legal Notices Required Under the Planning Act:

1. If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of Town of Halton Hills Council 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 Town of Halton Hills before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.
2. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Halton Hills before the proposed Official Plan Amendment 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.
3. Any written comment/objection submitted to the Town of Halton Hills regarding the proposed Official Plan Amendment, which is being processed under the Planning Act, may be made public as part of the process.
4. Additional information and material about the proposal, including information about appeal rights, can also be obtained by contacting Jeff Markowiak at 905-873-2600, ext. 2296 or by e-mail at [jeffma@haltonhills.ca](mailto:jeffma@haltonhills.ca). A copy of the related Staff Report will be available on Friday, December 2, 2022, on the Town's website at [calendar.haltonhills.ca/meetings](https://calendar.haltonhills.ca/meetings).

#### Notification:

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Halton Hills on the proposed Official Plan Amendment (OPA 49), you must make a written request to the Town of Halton Hills Planning & Development Department, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON, L7G 5G2.