

## BY-LAW NO. 2020-0035

A By-law to Levy 2021 Interim Taxes and Establish Penalty and Interest Rates.

**WHEREAS** Section 317 of the Municipal Act (Municipal Act, 2001, S.O., 2001, c. 25, as amended) provides the authority for the Council of the Town of Halton Hills to levy interim taxes and to charge penalty and interest rates for the default of payments;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 342 of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes a Council to pass bylaws for the payment of taxes by instalments and the dates in the year for which the taxes are imposed on which the taxes or instalments are due;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 343 of the Act provides that a Council may authorize the Treasurer to mail to the person taxed a notice specifying the amount of the taxes payable or cause it to be delivered to or for that person at the address of the residence or place of business of such person or upon the premises in respect of which the taxes are payable.

**AND WHEREAS** Section 345 of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes a local municipality to pass by-laws to impose late payment charges for the non-payment of taxes or any instalment by the due date.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Treasurer is hereby authorized that the interim levy for the year 2021 will be derived by applying 50% of the 2020 final tax rate. Properties not registered in the 10-payment pre-authorized payment plan will have property taxes levied under this by-law due and payable in two equal instalments which will be due Feb 24th, 2021 and April 28th, 2021.
- 2. The interim tax amount levied for all new roll numbers, which were not on the assessment roll the previous year, will be calculated based on 50% of the applicable tax rate for the previous year, multiplied by the assessment of the current year.
- 3. That the Treasurer mail or cause to be mailed a written or printed notice specifying the amount of taxes payable.
- 4. That on all taxes which remain unpaid on the due date, a penalty of one and one quarter percent (1.25%) of the taxes remaining unpaid may be levied on the first day of default and shall be levied on the first day of each calendar month thereafter in which the default continues, until December 31, 2021.
- 5. That in the 2021 fiscal year, Downtown Georgetown Business Area (DGBIA) will receive a 25% BIA levy reduction consisting of two 12.5% reductions, one occurring in February 2021 and the other in April 2021.
- 6. That when in default of payment of any installment of taxes or any part of any installment by the days named herein for the payment thereof the subsequent installment or installments shall forthwith become due and payable.

7. That the Treasurer is authorized to accept part payment from time to time on account of the oldest outstanding interest, then the oldest outstanding taxes, then penalty charges and then current years taxes due, or alternatively is authorized to refuse acceptance of any such part payment.

**BY-LAW** read and passed by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2020.

MAYOR – RICK BONNETTE

CLERK – SUZANNE JONES