

**TOWN OF PASADENA**

**INTEGRATED COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY MUNICIPAL PLAN  
2019-2029**

(hereinafter referred to as the Municipal Plan)



**MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT No. 2, 2023**

(Domestic Sawmills – Text amendment only)

**JANUARY 2023**

**URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT, 2000**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE  
TOWN OF PASADENA  
INTEGRATED COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY MUNICIPAL PLAN,  
2019-2029  
AMENDMENT No. 2, 2023**

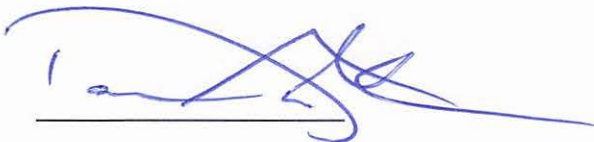
Under the authority of section 16, section 17 and section 18 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*, the Town Council of Pasadena:

- a) adopted the Amendment No. 2, 2023 to the Town of Pasadena Municipal Plan on the 15th day of May, 2023;
- b) gave notice of the adoption of the Amendment No. 2, 2023 to the Town of Pasadena Municipal Plan by advertisement in the West Coast Wire on May 31, 2023 and June 7, 2023;
- c) set the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023 at 6 p.m. for the Public Hearing for the Commissioner to consider objections and submissions.

Now under the authority of Section 23 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*, the Town Council of Pasadena approves the Amendment No. 2, 2023 to the Town of Pasadena Municipal Plan as adopted.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 28 day of June, 2023.

Mayor:



Town Clerk



Municipal Plan/Amendment	
<b>REGISTERED</b>	
Number	<u>3685-2023-002</u>
Date	<u>7 AUG 2023</u>
Signature	<u>[Handwritten Signature]</u>



(Council Seal)

**URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT, 2000**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT**


**TOWN OF PASADENA  
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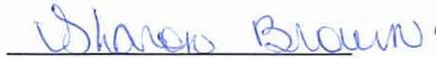
Adopted by the Town Council of Pasadena on the 15th day of May, 2023.

Signed and sealed this 28 day of June, 2023

Mayor



Town Clerk



(Council Seal)

**CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF PLANNERS CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the attached Amendment No. 2, 2023 to the Town of Pasadena Municipal Plan has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000*.



MCIP: Anna Myers  
Member of Canadian Institute of Planners (MCIP)

**TOWN OF PASADENA  
INTEGRATED COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT  
No. 2, 2023**

**BACKGROUND**

The Town Council of Pasadena wishes to amend its Integrated Community Sustainability Municipal Plan, 2019-2029. Council will also consider an associated amendment to the 2019-2029 Development Regulations.

The Town wishes to allow for domestic sawmills as a Discretionary use in the Residential Low Density zone and the Rural Residential zone. [Note that: The only other place where sawmills (of any kind) are allowed is in the Industrial Rural zone where Natural Resource-related uses are allowed; they are not allowed throughout the Rural zone].

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

During the preparation of this proposed amendment, Council undertook the following initiatives so that individuals could provide input.

A Notice was placed in the local newspaper, the West Coast Wire, on March 1, 2023 to inform and to invite the public for input to the proposed changes. The notice was also placed on the Town Facebook page on February 17, 2023.

There were two submissions received by the Town Clerk. A summary of the issues raised in the submissions is provided below:

**Submission #1 – overall supportive; but has concerns regarding specific conditions as follows:**

Item #1: limitation of prohibition on ‘sale’ of product is a duplication of the restriction in the Provincial license and not needed;

Item #2: Requirement to provide technical details of sawmill to be used: Feels that this is too vague and unnecessary;

Item #3: Sawmill byproduct to be removed weekly: feels that this is too onerous and Town should rely on Provincial requirement to remove byproduct on ‘a regular basis’

Item #4 (e): Three objections: (1) Disagrees with Town issuing a ‘permit’ and feels it should remain a ‘letter of approval’; (2) objects to fee; and (3) Objects to confirmation of the Provincial cutting permit as a condition of the license as there are multiple ways to legally obtain wood for cutting;

Item 5: Objects to requirement that the license-holder must reside on the property: feels that this discourages 'sharing' of a sawmill; discourages use of family-owned land;

Item 6 (a): Objects to operation time limitation between 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and comments on a different standard already in place in the Anti-Noise bylaw which has the limitation between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. (note that a chainsaw and noisy recreation activities can occur for longer hours than the sawmill operation)

**Submission #2: Strong objection to allowing domestic sawmills on Residential properties:**

Issue #1: Noise infringes on enjoyment of backyard use;

Issue #2: Noise is pervasive and intrusive both outdoors and indoors;

Issue #3: the operation is underway all hours of the day and all days of the week;

Issue #4: noise and nuisance of boom trucks dropping of wood and other trucks picking up product;

Issue#5: Overrun by vermin; Obligated to pay monthly for Vermin control to deal with rats living on the property next door;

The Town proposes to address these issues as follows:

**TOWN RESPONSE**

Response to issues in submission 1:

- Domestic sawmill activity is a use that can be controlled by the Town; in order to control these operations, the Town needs to issue a permit with conditions that are set out in the Development Regulations; therefore, key issues such as prohibition on sales and frequency of byproduct removal is needed for the Town enforcement; (Items # 1 and #4)
- Technical specification are needed in order to evaluate potential for nuisance during the application stage, rather than dealing with complaints after the permit is issued; (Item #2)
- Frequency of byproduct removal on a weekly basis is needed as a preventative measure against vermin infestation; (Item #3)
- Limiting the source of wood to that harvested domestically by the domestic sawmill operator is required to reduce the nuisance effect of the activity; after all, the wood is for the personal use of the operator only. (Item #4)
- If greater use of the domestic sawmill is desired by the owner by bringing in wood not harvested personally on a domestic harvesting permit, or by sharing the use of the sawmill with other operators, then this activity is not suitable in a Residential zone; . (Item #4)

- Limiting the level of activity in the Residential zone by only allowing the owner of the property to operate a sawmill for personal use is designed to reduce the nuisance effect of the activity; (Item #5)
- The hours of operation are reduced from those set out in the Anti-Noise bylaw; as well, with the restrictions on the amount of wood that can be processed due to the restriction to only the wood harvested by the home-owner, together these measures will reduce the hours of activity and noise.

Response to issues in Submission 2:

Issue #1: Consider other limitations on hours of operation?

Note that limiting the use to the owner of the property, limiting the source of wood to that harvested on a domestic harvesting permit held by the owner of the property and prohibiting sale of wood, somewhat limits the hours of use;

Issue #2: Requiring the technical specifications as part of the application and having this use as a discretionary use where public input is required, partially addresses this concern; might require that all neighbours within a radius where the sound could be heard shall be notified of the application;

Issue #3: Consider prohibiting activity on weekends when everyone is home from school/work?

Issue #4: Response for #1 addresses the issue of boom trucks;

Issue #5: Requirement for weekly disposal of byproduct should address issue of vermin;

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**TEXT AMENDMENTS**

**FROM:**

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- **Residential Low Density (RLD) Zone** which has as Permitted Uses: Detached Dwelling; Personal Care Home-Residential; Conservation – All Uses; and Discretionary uses: Home business, urban agriculture; and Prohibited Uses; Mobile homes/mini-homes.
- **Residential Medium Density (RMD) Zone** which has as Permitted Uses: Detached Dwelling; Semi-Detached Dwelling; Cluster Residential; Home business-home office only, Personal Care Home-Residential, Conservation-All Uses; and Discretionary uses: Townhomes, Apartments, home business, urban agriculture; and Prohibited Uses; Mobile homes/mini-homes.
- **Residential Rural (RR)** which has as Permitted Uses: Detached Dwelling; Personal Care Home-Residential Care; Conservation-All Uses; Home business-home office only, urban agriculture; and Discretionary uses: Public Gathering Places-Indoor, home business;

**TO:**

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