

March 8, 2021

Ministry of the Attorney General
McMurtry-Scott Building
720 Bay St.
Toronto, Ontario, M7A 2S9
Via Email: attorneygeneral@ontario.ca

Re: Town of Orangeville resolution regarding AGCO application and licensing for cannabis retail stores.

Dear Honourable Doug Downey,

On February 17, 2021 the Town of Orangeville Council passed the below resolution for a request to the AGCO to make amendments to its licensing and application process for retail cannabis stores to consider radial separation from other cannabis locations.

“WHEREAS the Province of Ontario passed Ontario Regulation 468/18 under the Cannabis Licence Act, 2018 which outlines considerations for issuing Cannabis Retail Stores, but does not include high concentration or radial separation of Cannabis Retail Stores as a consideration;

WHEREAS in early 2019 the Province of Ontario announced that the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) would conduct a lottery to permit 25 private cannabis retail store authorizations in designated locations in the province;

WHEREAS in late 2019 the Province of Ontario announced that the AGCO had been given regulatory authority to open the market for retail cannabis stores beginning in January 2020, without the need for a lottery;

WHEREAS the AGCO does not take into consideration radial separation for Cannabis Retail Stores;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor contact the Premier of Ontario, Ministry of Attorney General, and our local MPP, Honourable Sylvia Jones to request the Province to amend its licensing and application process for Cannabis Retail Stores to consider radial separation from other cannabis locations;

THAT a copy of the letter be forwarded to AMO.”

We respectfully request your consideration and look forward to hearing from you on the actions taken.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandy Brown". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sandy" and last name "Brown" clearly distinguishable.

Mayor Sandy Brown

c.c. Association of Municipalities of Ontario