



**NOTICE OF ADOPTION
Community Improvement Plan
For the City of Owen Sound**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound passed By-law 2010-148 and By-law 2010-149 on the 26th day of July, 2010 to amend the Community Improvement Project Area and adopt a Community Improvement Plan for the City of Owen Sound pursuant to the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P. 13.

PURPOSE OF THE NEW COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

Changes to Ontario's Planning Act have provided municipalities with additional tools and resources to manage growth and encourage investment in their communities. The City of Owen Sound also adopted a new Official Plan in 2006. The new Community Improvement Plan reflects these changes.

The new CIP includes the following changes:

- 1) The Community Improvement Project Area is expanded to include the entire City of Owen Sound.
- 2) The Community Improvement Project Area is amended for the Downtown and Harbour Areas to reflect the revised boundaries and land use designations in the new Official Plan.
- 3) Introduction of new programs and incentives available to the City, such as Affordable Housing Loan Program, Environmental Study Grant, Brownfields Financial Tax Incentive Program and Development Charges Refund Program.
- 4) Continuation of the Heritage Property Tax Program and Façade and Structural Improvement Program.

No key map is provided as the update and amendment affects all lands within the City of Owen Sound.

The Community Improvement Plan is available on the City of Owen Sound website at this time: www.owensound.ca. Hardcopies are available at the City of Owen Sound Community Services Department, Planning Division at City Hall during normal business hours.

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