

FACTS SHEET
Recreational Cannabis Retail Stores

PDD-02-2019, Attachment 1

	Option #1 – Permit (Opt In)		Option #2 – Prohibit (Opt Out)		Option #3 – Opt out now, Opt in later	
	Pro	Con	Pro	Con	Pro	Con
Financial Incentives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First payment from Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund (OCLIF) in amount of \$51,941 to be provided in early January. • Second payment from OCLIF anticipated to be minimum of \$51,491 (to be provided in March). • Ability to apply to \$10,000,000 Provincial fund for unforeseen circumstances with preference given to municipalities that have opted in. • Province’s portion of federal excise duty over \$100 million will be split 50/50 with municipalities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unclear if incentives could offset potential costs (i.e. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First payment from Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund (OCLIF) in amount of \$51,941 to be provided in early January. • Second payment from OCLIF will be provided in March. • Ability to apply to \$10,000,000 Provincial fund for unforeseen circumstances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second payment from OCLIF will be limited to \$5,000 • Ability to apply to \$10,000,000 Provincial fund but preference given to municipalities that have opted in • No additional financial incentives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First payment from Ontario Cannabis Legalization Implementation Fund (OCLIF) in amount of \$51,941 to be provided in early January. • Second payment from OCLIF will be provided in March. • Ability to apply to \$10,000,000 Provincial fund for unforeseen circumstances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second payment from OCLIF will be limited to \$5,000 • Ability to apply to \$10,000,000 Provincial fund but preference given to municipalities that have opted in • No additional financial incentives. • Unclear if incentives could offset potential costs (i.e.

		enforcement, education).			PDD-02-2019, Attachment 1, education).	Attachment 1, education).
Economic Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job creation • Tourism benefits • Spin off, economic benefits (i.e. shopping, restaurants) • Reduce vacancy of commercial rental units 	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential loss of job opportunity, tourism, spin off benefits etc. 	Same as Option 1	Same as Option 1
Municipal Role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County is a commenting agency • 15 days for County to comment to AGCO on a new license • AGCO to determine if a store is in the 'public interest' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County is commenting agency only • AGCO is approval authority • Short commenting timeline for County and public 	N/A	N/A	Same as Option 1	Same as Option 1
One Time Decision	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot opt out after municipality has opted in 	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can opt in at a later date • No time limit on opting in later 	Same as Option 1
Observe & Assess	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observe how opting in works in other communities 	Same as Option 1
Public Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public has 15 days to comment on all new licenses to AGCO 	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows time to obtain public input prior to making firm decision on opt in/opt out • If opt in, public has 15 days to comment on all new licenses to AGCO (same as Option 1) 	N/A
Health via Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and social harms can be reduced if retail market is regulated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased availability can lead to increased consumption • Concerns regarding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less concern regarding consumption 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May create health inequity for vulnerable populations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity to better understand implications of Province's regulations. 	Same as Option 1.

		proximity to other uses that youth frequent (i.e. not just schools)		• Can drive individuals to illicit market.	RDD-02-2019, Attachment 1 Same as Option 1	
Land Use Regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulations of Province require 150 metres setback from schools Draft regulations infer that locations will be limited to those areas where retail uses are currently permitted (e.g. commercial areas, such as downtown cores) and where production facilities (growing operations) are permitted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Municipality cannot create definition for use or identify location/zone for use in its zoning bylaw – AGCO decides on location. 	N/A	N/A	Same as Option 1	Same as Option 1
Licensing	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AGCO is responsible for all licensing – no municipal licensing process permitted. 	N/A	N/A	Same as Option 1	Same as Option 1