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Bill No. 008

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 26-008

**To Amend By-law No. 24-054,
Being the Safe Apartment Buildings By-law**

AND WHEREAS City Council approved certain amendments to By-law 24-054;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to amend By-law 24-054;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That subsections 10(a), 10(b), 10(c), and 10(d) of By-law 24-054 be deleted and replaced with the following:
 - (a) the Owner's name, mailing address, email address, primary telephone number, and the registered corporation name and number, and if the Owner is a partnership, the name, mailing address, email address and primary telephone number for each partner;
 - (b) the name, mailing address, email address, and primary telephone number for a secondary contact;
 - (c) if there is an Operator of the Apartment Building, the Operator's name, mailing address, email address, and primary telephone number;
 - (d) a full description of the Apartment Building and the Rental Units in the Apartment Building, including street address, number of rooms, number of vacant rooms and any other information about the Apartment Building and Rental Units in the Apartment Building as required by the Director.

2. That Sections 62 and 63 of By-law 24-054 be deleted and replaced with:

62. Every Owner shall have a vital services disruption plan for an Apartment Building, in a form and manner satisfactory to the Director.

63. An Owner or Operator shall maintain a vital services disruption plan for the Apartment Building and such vital services disruption plan shall include preventative measures and processes to address any potential disruptions to Vital Services and shall adhere to any set standards and minimum requirements as established by the Director as authorized under this By-law.

3. That immediately following Section 29 of By-law 24-054, the following sections be added:

29.1 The Owner or Operator shall post information provided by the City in Common Areas and on the Tenant notification board, including but not limited to information regarding Tenant rights, eviction prevention, Tenant support resources, information on City air-conditioned locations, and how Tenants can access this information in different languages.

29.2 The Owner or Operator shall ensure the following:

- (a) Every Dwelling Unit shall have a separate and secure mailbox or mail receptacle that is maintained in good repair at all times;
- (b) If a mail slot provides direct access into a Dwelling Unit, it shall be designed or located so as to prevent access from the mail slot to unlock the doorknob or other locking device; and
- (c) Access to mail rooms shall be maintained in good repair to ensure the security of the mail.

4. In all other respects, By-law 24-054 is confirmed.

5. The provisions of this By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

PASSED this 21st day of January, 2026.

A. Horwath
Mayor

M. Trennum
City Clerk