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Municipality of Grey Highlands  
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Dear Mayor McQueen and Members of Council,

At the June 25, 2020 Library Board Meeting, the following motion was approved:

**Motion # 30-20**

**Moved by: Stewart Halliday**

**Seconded by: Lynn Silverton**

**Whereas the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands has decided, much to the Grey Highlands Public Library Board's disappointment, to give permission to Match Box Organics to develop a micro cultivation and processing facility at 31 Walker St. in Markdale and that the Library Board understands that final approval will be subject to a site plan agreement; and given that Library Board is concerned that the Walter Harris Memorial Library is located closer than 150 metres to this facility (which is the approved setback criteria for a MGH retail Cannabis operation), and, that odour could become an issue; and given that the Municipality has the powers under the Municipal Act to regulate odour, that the Library Board recommends that a By-law to regulate "Odorous Industries Nuisance" be enacted by the Grey Highlands Municipal Council prior to, or at the same time as site plan approval is being enacted. Carried.**

The enactment of this type of By-law will help to mitigate odour concerns that could impact the patrons of the Walter Harris Memorial Library, children and youth playing in the park area and ball diamond, and residents in close proximity.

We attach for a guideline the following by-law model recently approved by the Town of Pelham. By-law No.4202(2020).

<https://www.pelham.ca/en/news/resources/Council-Highlights/4202-2020-Odorous-Industries-By->

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Land, Chair  
Grey Highlands Public Library Board