## COUNCIL AGENDA



#### Meeting Room C, City Hall, 1 Carden Street

DATE Wednesday, July 6, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

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# PROPOSED CHANGES TO PROVINCIAL LAND USE PLANS IN THE GREATER GOLDEN HORSESHOE

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#### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### 1. COMPLEX CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

(presentation to be distributed under separate cover)

#### Presenter:

 Scott Stewart, Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Services

#### Recommendation:

That the presentation on the Complex Capital Project Update be received.

## 2. PROPOSED CHANGES TO PROVINCIAL LAND USE PLANS IN THE GREATER GOLDEN HORSESHOE

(presentation to be distributed under separate cover)

Memo enclosed regarding information related to Council Workshop – Provincial Land Use Plan Review

#### Presenters:

- Todd Salter, General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Building Services
- Melissa Aldunate, Manager of Policy, Planning, and Urban Design
- Stacey Laughlin, Senior Policy Planner
  - 1. Welcome and Introductions
  - 2. Overview of Agenda and Workshop Purpose

- 3. Presentation and Questions/Answers (60 minutes)
  - a. Shaping Land Use in the Greater Golden Horseshoe
    - i. Building Complete Communities
    - ii. Vibrant Agricultural Sector
    - iii. Protecting Natural Heritage and Water
    - iv. Growing the Greenbelt
    - v. Addressing Climate Change
    - vi. Integrating Infrastructure
    - vii. Improving Plan Implementation
- 4. Break (10 minutes)
- 5. Facilitated discussion (45 minutes)
- 6. Summary of Table Discussion (5 minutes)
- 7. Next Steps (2 minutes)

#### Recommendation:

That the presentation on the Province's proposed changes to provincial land use plans in the Greater Golden Horseshoe be received.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**



# **MEMO**

**DATE** July 6, 2016

TO City Council

FROM Todd Salter, General Manager

Melissa Aldunate, Manager

DIVISION Planning, Urban Design and Building Services

**DEPARTMENT** Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise

SUBJECT Council Workshop – Provincial Land Use Plan Review

The purpose of the July 6 Council Workshop is to allow staff to provide Council with an initial overview of the Provincial Land Use Plan review proposed policy changes as they relate to Guelph, and to facilitate a Council discussion and sharing of perspectives on these proposed changes. This will build on the September 30, 2015 Council Workshop on growth and land use planning, and the previous submission made by the City on the provincial plan review in May 2015.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In 2015 the Province initiated a coordinated review of 4 key Provincial Plans:

- the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe;
- the Greenbelt Plan;
- the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan; and,
- the Niagara Escarpment Plan

Of these four plans, only the Growth Plan currently applies directly to the City. The Greenbelt Plan is potentially indirectly relevant to the City only with respect to the Growing the Greenbelt provisions.

Planning Services has been coordinating the City's involvement in provincial consultations associated with this review, including appropriate inter-departmental collaboration.

The Council Workshop is for discussion and information purposes only. No Council decisions will be made at the meeting, although the Council discussions will inform staff's detailed technical analysis of the proposed revisions to the Plans, and assist in the preparation of a subsequent staff report to Council in September 2016.

#### **KEY FACTS**

The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe establishes fundamental growth management directions for municipalities within the Greater Golden Horseshoe, including: population and employment targets to 2031 and 2041; Designated Greenfield Area and Urban Growth Centre density targets; and intensification targets

The 2006 Growth Plan forms the foundation for the City's growth management strategy and updated Official Plan, including but not limited to:

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- The identification of key urban structure elements, such as intensification corridors, community mixed-use nodes, the Urban Growth Centre (Downtown), the Built-up Area, and the Greenfield Area
- A minimum Greenfield Area density target of 50 persons and jobs combined per hectare
- An Urban Growth Centre density target of 150 persons and jobs combined per hectare
- An intensification target of 40% of all new residential development to occur within the built up area from 2015 and each year after

The proposed new Growth Plan includes such directions as:

- Increasing the Greenfield density target to 80 persons and jobs combined per hectare from 50 persons and jobs combined per hectare
- Increasing the intensification target to 60% from 40% of new residential development
- Showing priority transit corridors and requiring focussed planning, zoning and development efforts in such corridors
- Requiring Upper and Single Tier municipalities to include climate change policies in their official plans
- Directing planning authorities to take an integrated approach to land use and infrastructure planning
- Enhanced performance monitoring and reporting requirements

#### REPORTS AND MATERIALS

Council has previously been engaged in the provincial plan review through the first round of provincial consultation in 2015 and provided comments through <u>IDE Report 15-44: "2015 Provincial Co-ordinated Land Use Planning Review"</u> (bookmarked within the Council Agenda, page 182 of 207)

Council also had a fulsome discussion regarding growth management and land use planning at a Special Council Workshop on September 30, 2015 – Staff Presentation

The **Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing** has released guidance documents and consultation materials on their <u>website</u> – <u>www.ontario.ca/landuseplanningreview</u>

### Shaping Land Use In The Greater Golden Horseshoe



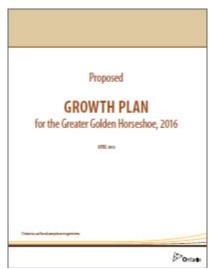
<u>Download Shaping Land Use in the Greater Golden Horseshoe (PDF)</u>

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This guide makes it easy to see how changes from the Co-ordinated Review have been reflected in the revisions proposed to the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, the Greenbelt Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan; and the Niagara Escarpment Plan.

Find out how the proposed revisions will help build complete communities and curb sprawl, support agriculture, protect natural heritage and water, grow the Greenbelt, address climate change, integrate infrastructure, improve plan implementation and measure performance, promote awareness and increase engagement.

If you need more detailed information on the precise wording of a change or definitions of a term used in this guide, please refer to the proposed plans.



Proposed Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2016

View the **Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe** currently in effect.



Proposed Greenbelt Plan (2016)

Maps of the Proposed Plan

View the <u>Greenbelt Plan</u> currently in effect.