



MEETING NOTICE

Downtown Guelph Secondary Plan



City Council will hold a public meeting, in accordance with the Planning Act, on November 7 regarding proposed Official Plan Amendment 43: Downtown Guelph Secondary Plan. The purpose of the meeting is to present proposed Official Plan Amendment 43 (OPA 43) to the public and other stakeholders, and to provide an opportunity for input and comments. Please note: Council will not be making a decision regarding the proposed OPA 43 during the November 7 meeting. Following careful consideration of all public and stakeholder comments, Council will share a decision at a future meeting.

Monday, November 7
7 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall, 1 Carden Street

About Official Plan Amendment 43

As Guelph continues to grow, the City is planning for more residences, businesses and jobs downtown. Envision Guelph Downtown will provide a long-term vision for future development and incorporate the goals of Ontario's Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, Guelph's Growth Management Strategy (OPA 39), Guelph's Community Energy Initiative, the Urban Design Action Plan and other special planning studies.

The purpose of this Amendment is to replace the current land use and Central Business District policies with new policies that apply to the Downtown Urban Growth Centre as indicated on the attached map.

Specifically, Official Plan Amendment 43:

- incorporates the Downtown Secondary Plan policies into the Official Plan by replacing, defining, and updating the existing 'Central Business District' (Downtown) policies, establishing a new Secondary Plan section, and amending other existing land use policies within the Urban Growth Centre area of the Official Plan;
- revises existing Schedules and includes additional Schedules to incorporate the new policies within the Downtown Secondary Plan area; and
- modifies the necessary references and definitions throughout the Plan to recognize the Downtown Secondary Plan.

Portions of these lands are also subject to zoning, consent and minor variance by-law amendment applications under the Planning Act as follows: Zoning Application ZC1112; Consent Applications B-36/11, B-5/08, B-16/01 and B-17/01; and, Minor Variance Applications: A-69/11, A-16/11, A-71/11, A-70/11, A-20/09, A-84/07, A-76/09, A-45/11, A-49/09, A-52/08, A-48/09, A-87/05, A-67/04, A-27/10, and A-41/97.

How to provide comment

The community is invited to submit comments regarding the proposed OPA 43 during the public meeting. Any person may attend the public meeting and/or provide written or verbal representation regarding the proposed OPA 43. If you wish to speak to Council regarding the proposed OPA 43, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 519-837-5603 or email clerks@guelph.ca **no later than Wednesday, November 2**. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and wish to comment, please send your written comments to Tina Agnello, Acting City Clerk, **no later than Wednesday, November 2** (in order to meet the agenda distribution deadline) **or by noon, Monday, November 7** (in order to be added to the addendum).

If you would like to be notified of City Council's future decision regarding the proposed OPA 43, please complete the sign-in sheet at the public meeting or submit a written request by email to clerks@guelph.ca or by mail, addressed as follows:

City of Guelph
Tina Agnello, Acting City Clerk
1 Carden Street
Guelph ON N1H 3A1

Important information about making a submission

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to City Council before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the City of Guelph to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to City Council before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

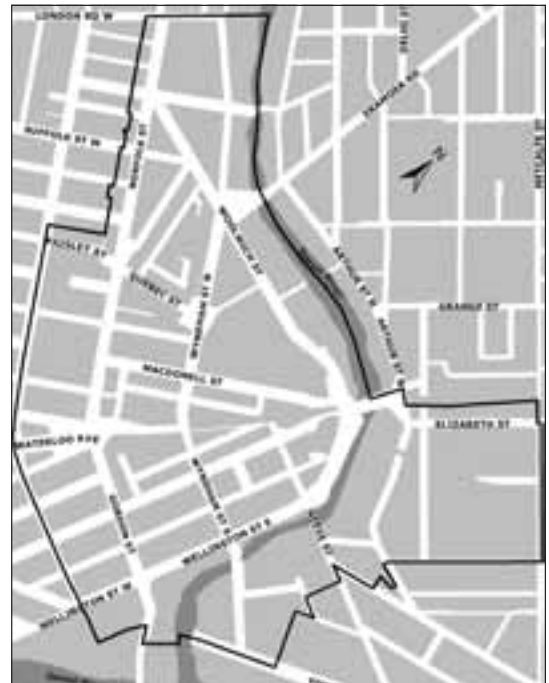


Figure 1 Lands subject to OPA 43 Downtown Guelph Secondary Plan

For more information

Additional information and copies of the proposed amendment will be available for viewing by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 13 at guelph.ca/downtownplan or during regular office hours (8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at:

City Hall, 1 Carden Street
Planning & Building, Engineering and Environment
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Copies of the Staff Report will be available on Friday, October 28.

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