

**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM C
MINUTES**

Present: C. Oakes (Chair) L. Renzetti
A. Miller M. Wilson
L. Todd

Regrets: A. Baron, A. Singh, V. Capmourteres, A. Mason

City: A. Nix, M. Myhill

External: Mike Taylor – Granite Homes
Dave Aston – MHBC
Jeff Martens – MTE Consultants
David Stephenson – NRSI
Ken Burrell – NRSI

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Call and Certification of Quorum

Attendance was noted and a quorum was declared.

3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None

4. 89 Beechwood Avenue EIS

A. Nix, Environmental Planner with the City of Guelph, reviewed the staff report and was available to answer questions from the Environmental Advisory Committee.

- The identified wetland would benefit from additional information relating to the City's wetland criteria and definitions
- Noted that added information around methodologies would be helpful as not all methods were documented
- Map 3 could benefit from added info e.g. ELC and broader perspective of the 120 meter adjacent lands – existing features need to be noted and showing the identified stream reaches
- Addition of characterization of existing function/enhancement opportunities in buffer analysis
- Space concerns for the trail as it's very close to proposed homes were raised by Committee

- The applicant was confident that an EIS Addendum can address the City's comments and concerns
- The applicant clarified that there is no impact analysis on relocation of trail in the EIS as there is no intention to relocate trail

Moved by L. Todd and seconded by L. Renzetti,

THAT The Environmental Advisory Committee conditionally support the EIS for 89 Beechwood, prepared by NRSI, subject to the preparation of an EIS addendum that:

- **Provides an impact analysis regarding necessary trail relocation/realignment**
- **Explores a SWM approach that avoids the need for an outlet to Howitt Creek;**
- **Includes an impact analysis that provides additional information regarding a proposed outlet (if it is unavoidable) that includes: anticipated changes in flow regarding baseflow and flood flow conditions for Howitt Creek; a SWM treatment train approach that considers water quality (including thermal and chloride) impacts; clarifies the location of a proposed outlet and the associated impacts and mitigation measures required;**
- **Addresses how is separation from the groundwater table from the proposed development is being achieved;**
- **A revised TIPP that preserves trees on and adjacent to the site which contribute to the City's urban forest.**

AMENDMENT

Moved by L. Renzetti and seconded by L. Todd,

- **Includes buffer analysis that considers protection of woodland/ wetland function as well as form**
- **Provides a revised map 3 to identify existing natural features within 120m (ELC ecological linkage, etc.)**
- **Includes methods used for field studies and effort allocated**

**Motion Carried
-Unanimous-**

5. Approval of Minutes from September 13, 2017.

Moved by L. Todd and seconded by A. Miller,

THAT the minutes from the September 13, 2017 meeting be approved as amended.

**Motion Carried
-Unanimous-**

6. Correspondence & Information

- Distributed 388 Arkell Road to review for December meeting
- 58 Glenholm EIR will be item for November meeting

7. Other Business

- Members asked to give consideration to beginning the meetings at 6:30

8. Next Meeting – November 8, 2017.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Moved by L. Todd and seconded by A. Miller,

**Motion Carried
-Unanimous-**

CHAIRMAN