

Final option 6-2

Synopsis

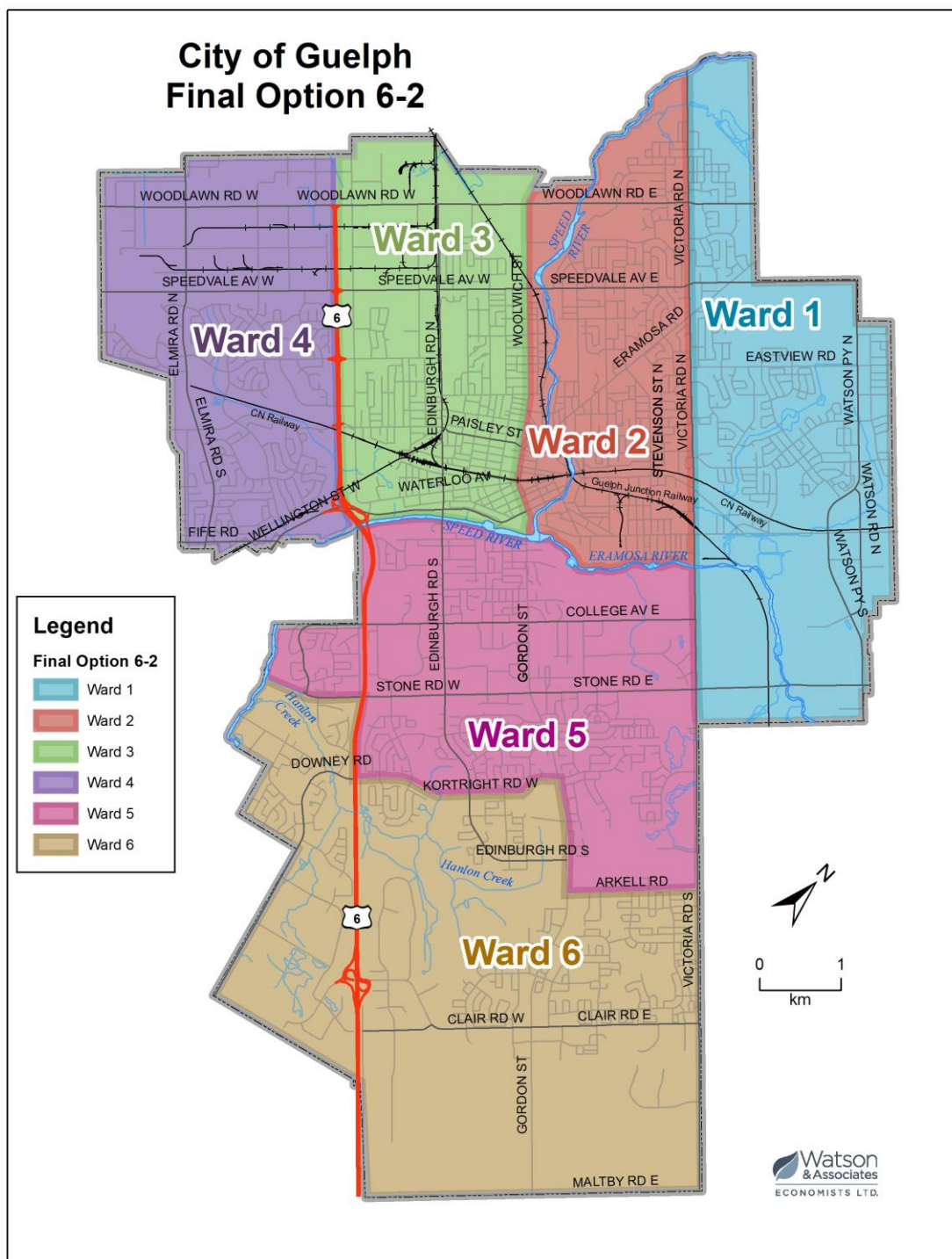
- Option 6-2 is one of two final options presented under the six-ward model and could be used to elect twelve councillors, two in each ward.
- The option is consistent with the present system of representation (in place for thirty years): six wards each electing two councillors.
- Ward boundaries are based on preliminary option 6-B.
- Councillors could continue to play a part-time role.

Element	Description
Council composition arrangement	Twelve councillors (two councillors per ward)
Number of councillors per ward	2
Number of wards	6
Councillor employment status	Part-time role
Origins	Based on preliminary option 6-B



Ward boundary configuration and features

Ward boundaries for final option 6-2





Final option 6-2 features

Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wards 1 to 4 are largely north of the Speed and Eramosa Rivers, and are rectangular in design with a north-south orientation; wards 5 and 6 are located south of the rivers.• Ward 1 represents northeast Guelph, east of Victoria Road, capturing newer growth areas including the Guelph Innovation District.• Ward 2 captures the downtown area and areas to the north-east of Woolwich Street and west of Victoria Road.• Ward 3 extends west of downtown to the Hanlon Expressway and the municipal boundary to the north.• Ward 4 covers the northwest part of the city, bound to the east by the Hanlon Expressway (Highway 6).• Ward 5 represents the south-central area of Guelph.• Ward 6 covers the southern part of the city.

Final option 6-2 ward boundary descriptions

Proposed ward	Description
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bound by Victoria Road to the east and the municipal boundary to the north, east and south.• Includes the neighbourhoods of Brant, Grange Hill East, York-Watson Employment Area and the Guelph Innovation District.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bound by Woolwich Street to the west, Speed River and Eramosa Rivers to the south, Victoria Road to the east and the municipal boundary to the north.• Includes the downtown, and the neighbourhoods of Two Rivers, St. Patrick's Ward, St. George's Park and Waverley.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bound to the west by the Hanlon Expressway (Highway 6), Speed River to the south, Woolwich Street to the east and the municipal boundary to the north.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Includes the neighbourhoods of the Junction, Sunny Acres, Exhibition Park, Onward Willow and a portion of the Northwest Industrial Area.
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bound by the Hanlon Expressway (Highway 6) to the east and the municipal boundary to the north, west and south.Encompasses West Willow Woods, Parkwood Gardens and a portion of the Northwest Industrial Area.
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bound by the Speed River and Eramosa River to the north, Victoria Road to the east, Arkell Road, Gordon Street, Kortright Road, Hanlon Expressway (Highway 6) and Stone Road to the south and the municipal boundary to the west.Encompasses the neighbourhoods of Old University, University of Guelph, the Arboretum, Torrance, University Village, and the northern half of the Hanlon Creek neighbourhood.
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bound by Arkell Road, Gordon Street, Kortright Road, Hanlon Expressway and Stone Road to the north and the municipal boundary to the east, south and west.Includes the neighbourhoods of South Creek, Kortright Hills, portion of Hanlon Creek, Clairfields, Westminster, Hanlon Creek Business Park, Hanlon Business Park, and the planned Clair Maltby Secondary Plan Area.



Final option 6-2 ward population distribution

Ward	2021 total population ¹	2021 population variance	2031 total population ¹	2031 population variance
Ward 1	24,215	0.90	30,005	0.94
Ward 2	26,970	1.00	31,785	1.00
Ward 3	24,345	0.91	26,275	0.83
Ward 4	23,310	0.87	25,185	0.79
Ward 5	31,540	1.17	36,055	1.13
Ward 6	30,720	1.14	41,400	1.30
City-wide	161,100	-	190,700	-
Ward average	26,850	-	31,785	-

¹ Includes population captured in the census and non-permanent post-secondary student population. Includes census undercount of approximately 3.4%.

Note: Numbers have been rounded.

Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

Preliminary assessment

Principle	Comment
Representation by population	Favourable population parity in 2021 in all proposed wards.
Projected growth patterns	Favourable population parity in 2031 except in ward 6 which is moderately higher than the maximum threshold.
Communities of interest	Ward boundaries capture communities of interest effectively; one exception is Hanlon Creek which is split into two wards (wards 5 and 6).
Natural boundaries and geographic features	Wards primarily utilize Hanlon Expressway, arterial roads and the Speed and Eramosa Rivers as boundaries.