Public Meeting Notice

NOVEMBER 7, 2013



PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE GUELPH INNOVATION DISTRICT SECONDARY PLAN (OPA 54)

PUBLIC MEETING

City Council will hold a Public Meeting in accordance with the Planning Act for the Proposed Official Plan Amendment for the **Guelph Innovation District Secondary Plan (OPA 54)**.

Meeting Date: **December 2, 2013**

Location: Council Chambers, City Hall, 1 Carden Street

Time: 7:00 p.m.

SUBJECT LANDS

The proposed Guelph Innovation District Secondary Plan (OPA 54) applies to approximately 436 hectares of land located south of York Road, east of Victoria Road South, west of Watson Parkway South, and includes lands south of Stone Road. See Figure 1: Location Map. Portions of these lands are also subject to consent and minor variance applications under the Planning Act as follows: Consent applications: B-7/13; and Minor variance applications: A-32/13, A-101/04, A-63/08, A-54/06, A-92/09, A-123/02, and A-65/05.

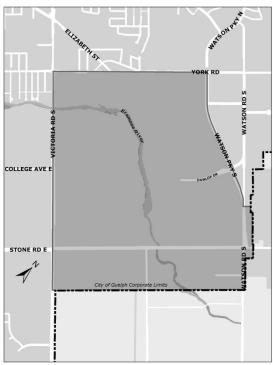


Figure 1: Lands subject to proposed OPA 54 Guelph Innovation District Secondary Plan

PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT (OPA 54)

A Secondary Plan is part of an Official Plan that includes more detailed planning and policies for a defined area of the City. The purpose of OPA 54 is to incorporate the GID Secondary Plan into the City's Official Plan by deleting the existing land use policies that apply to the GID lands and adding a new Section to the Official Plan that includes the new policies, schedules and corresponding definitions for the GID Secondary Plan. The effect of OPA 54 is to establish a policy framework that will direct and facilitate the development of the GID lands through future detailed development applications.

OPA 54 is the product of a Secondary Planning process for the GID that was initiated by the City in 2005 to determine a new use and appropriate land use policies for the former Guelph Correctional Centre and other lands in the vicinity while ensuring growth management targets for the area are met. The GID Secondary Plan implements the City's Official Plan policies and builds on the Local Growth Management Strategy, Community Energy Initiative, and recent economic development strategies including Prosperity 2020 and the Agri-Innovation Cluster Strategy. The GID lands are being planned as a compact mixed-use community that integrates an urban village with an employment area, strives to be carbon neutral and offers meaningful places to live, work, shop, play and learn in a setting rich in natural and cultural heritage.

The Secondary Plan:

- includes detailed land use and development policies that guide all future development within the plan area;
- supports conservation, protection and enhancement of the natural heritage system and cultural heritage resources;
- promotes best practices for sustainable infrastructure and community design working towards carbon neutrality;
- plans for the transportation system including collector road alignments, the transit systems and active transportation opportunities for pedestrians and bicyclists; and
- provides high level urban design direction to guide the creation of a unique and memorable place.

TO SPEAK AT THE PUBLIC MEETING OR PROVIDE WRITTEN COMMENTS:

Any person may attend the public meeting and/or provide written or verbal representation on the proposal.

- 1. If you wish to **speak** to Council on proposed OPA 54 you must register as a delegation by contacting the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, **no later than November 29, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in any of the following ways:**
 - By Phone at **519-837-5603** or TTY **519-826-9771**
 - By Email at clerks@guelph.ca
 - By Fax at 519-763-1269
 - In person at the ServiceGuelph Counter at City Hall, 1 Carden Street, Guelph
 - By regular mail or courier to Guelph City Clerk, 1 Carden Street, Guelph ON N1H 3A1
- 2. If you wish to submit written comments to Council on proposed OPA 54 for consideration at the public meeting you must submit the written comments to the City Clerk's Office, no later than November 29, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in any of the following ways:
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The purpose of the meeting is to provide more information about the proposed GID Secondary Plan (OPA 54) and an opportunity for public input. No recommendations are provided at the Public Meeting and City Council will not be making any decision at this meeting. A recommendation report will be presented at a subsequent meeting of City Council.

If you would like to be notified of the date when City Council will make a decision on proposed OPA 54, you must submit your full name and mailing address in writing or fill in the Public Meeting sign-in sheet at the Public Meeting.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the City of Guelph in respect of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the City Clerk, City Hall, 1 Carden Street, Guelph, ON, N1H 3A1.

<u>IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT MAKING A SUBMISSION</u>

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Guelph City Council before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision 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 Guelph 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 do so.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Additional information including copies of the staff report and related background information will be available for review by visiting 1 Carden Street, 3rd Floor or contacting **Joan Jylanne at (519) 837-5616**, ext. **2519** during regular office hours, or by email at: joan.jylanne@guelph.ca.

Please note that copies of the staff report will be available on **November 22, 2013** and may be picked up at Planning, Building, Engineering and Environment (1 Carden Street, 3rd Floor) on, or after this date.