

Council Chambers  
September 10, 2007 7:00 p.m.

**A meeting of Guelph City Council.**

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach (arrived at 7:08 p.m.), Laidlaw, Piper, (arrived at 7:05 p.m.) and Wettstein (arrived at 7:08 p.m.)

Absent: Councillor Salisbury

Staff Present: Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Planning, Ms. Joan Jylanne, Senior Policy Planner; Mr. G. Atkinson, Policy Planner; Ms. T. Agnello, Deputy City Clerk; and Ms. D. Black, Assistant Council Committee Co-ordinator

**DECLARATIONS UNDER MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT**

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

1. Moved by Councillor Findlay  
Seconded by Councillor Bell  
THAT Sections 16.(4)(i), 16(4)(ii), and 16(5) of Procedural By-law Number (1996)-15200, as amended, regarding the recording of votes for all motions other than procedural, be suspended for this meeting of Council.

Carried

**PLANNING PUBLIC MEETING**

Mayor Farbridge announced that in accordance with The Planning Act, Council was now in a public meeting for the purpose of informing the public of the Official Plan Update.

**Official Plan Update**

Mr. G. Atkinson, Policy Planner provided a synopsis of the Official Plan Update including:

- Background
- Related initiatives
- Reasons for updating the Official Plan
- Key Objectives
- Purpose of the Special Meeting
- Overview of Update Process
- Phase One Process and Opportunities for Public Input
- Next Steps

He also advised there will be a Growth Management Strategy Open House, on Wednesday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup> from 7 to 9 p.m. at the River Run Centre.

The Mayor asked if there were any delegations in attendance with respect to the Official Plan Update.

Mr. Albert Willis was present to state that he feels the update of the Official Plan is vital. He was concerned that there were no specific objectives stated in the update. He also feels that greater staff availability and public input is needed. He also stated that he believes a ring road around the City would be a real asset.

- 2. Moved by Councillor Billings  
Seconded by Councillor Burcher

Mr. J. Riddell

THAT Report No. 07-86 from Community Design and Development Services dated September 10, 2007 regarding the Official Plan Update, be received.

AND THAT the public be invited to provide comments and input/suggestions on the existing Official Plan.

Carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 o'clock p.m.

Minutes read and confirmed September 17, 2007.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk