Statutory Public Meeting 362 & 398 North Service Road Official Plan Amendment, Zoning Bylaw Amendment & Draft Plan of Subdivision January 28, 2020



Meeting Agenda

- 1. Planning Department presentation
- 2. Applicant presentation
- 3. Discussion and comments from public and Planning & Development Committee



Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

Statutory Public Meeting:

- Required to be held under the Planning Act for all applications to amend the Official Plan (OPA) and/or Zoning By-law (ZBA) and for a Draft Plan of Subdivision
- Verbal comments received tonight will become part of the application record
- Members of the public who make verbal comments at this meeting will have rights to appeal OPA and/or ZBA under the Planning Act



Why do Plans Change?

In general:

- The Planning Act gives authority to individuals to submit applications for development proposals that do not meet the current Official Plan policies or the Zoning Bylaw regulations
- The Town is **required** to process these applications



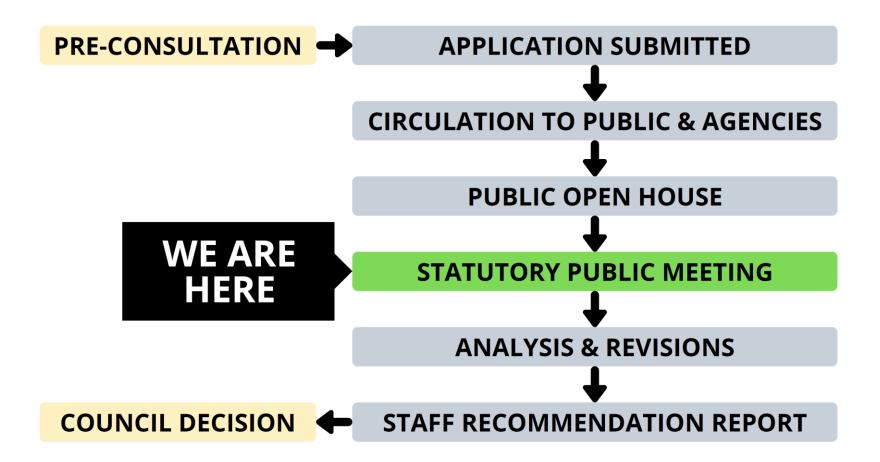
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In general:

- Official Plans may only be amended if the change complies with the overall intent of the Official Plan and is consistent with Provincial and Regional policy
- Zoning By-laws may be amended if the change is compatible with the Official Plan and surrounding neighbourhoods and is consistent with Provincial and Regional policy



The Planning Process





Submitting Written Comments

- Write a letter or email to the Planning Department (planning@grimsby.ca)
- Send a copy of your letter or e-mail to your Ward Councilors

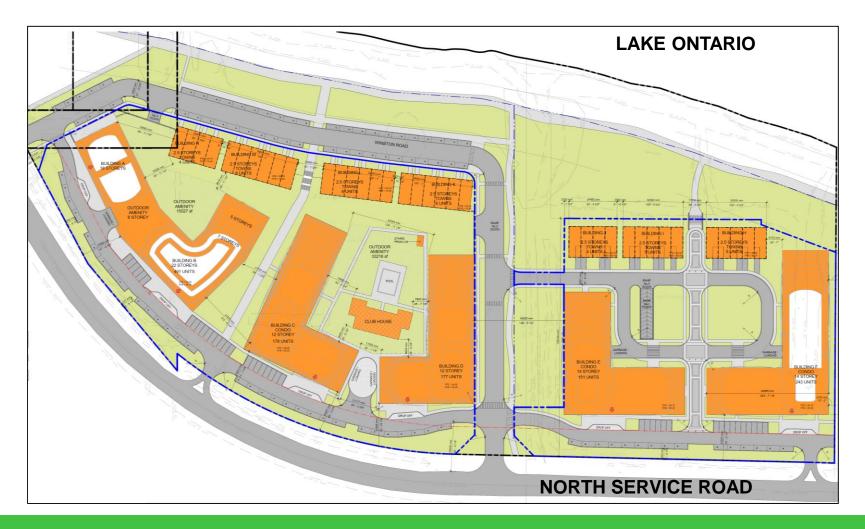


Location





Proposed Development





Key Changes from Open House

Current Development Concept	Open House Development Concept
1276 residential units	1247 residential units
Building E – 14 storeys	Building E – 10 storeys
36, 2.5 storey townhouse units	38, 2.5 storey townhouse units
3 storey back-to-back townhouse units	10, 3 storey back-to-back townhouse
removed from proposal	units
New open space blocks proposed to	Hazard lands/natural heritage buffer
separate hazard lands/natural heritage	incorporated into proposed parkland
buffer from proposed parkland blocks	blocks
A total of 2,099 parking spaces on site	A total of 1,845 parking spaces on site
6,984 square metres of	5,334 square metres of
commercial/employment space on	commercial/employment space on
ground floor of mixed-use buildings, with	ground floor of mixed-use buildings
4,655 square metres exclusively devoted	
for employment uses	

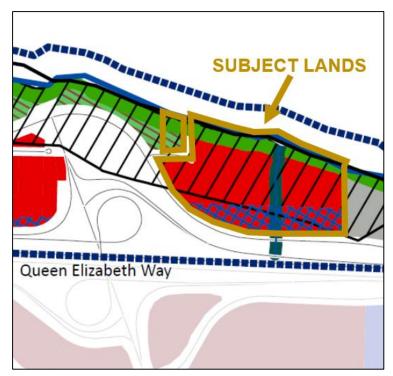


Official Plan

Designations:

- Mixed Use High Density
- Employment Overlay
- Parks and Open Space
- Environmental Conservation Area
- Streams
- Hazard Land Area

Official Plan Amendment proposed to increase maximum permitted height from 12 storeys to 22 storeys and reduce extent of employment overlay by approximately half



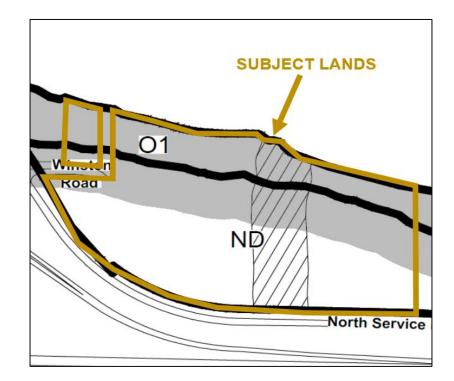


Zoning By-law

Current zoning: Neighbourhood Development (ND) and Private Open Space (O1) and Hazard Overlay

Zoning amendment proposed to allow for:

- Change in zoning to a Mixed Use High Density (MHD) and Public Open Space (O2) zone
- Modified performance standards for setbacks, and maximum height.
- Specific permitted commercial uses, and a minimum employment floor area of 46,000 sq. ft. to implement OP policies
- Requested parking reduction removed from application

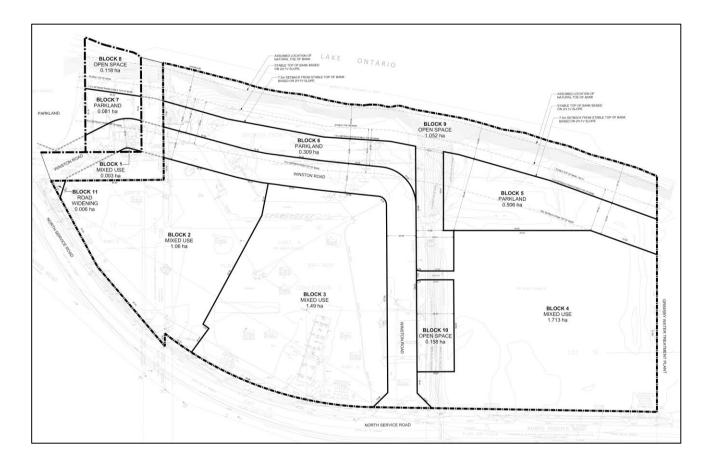




Draft Plan of Subdivision

Purpose:

 Create 9 blocks and one public road





Agency Comments

- Niagara Region: are supportive of the applications from a provincial and regional policy perspective, and offer no objections to the applications, subject to certain draft plan conditions being satisfied and a holding symbol being placed on the portions of the lands that require a detailed noise study and the filing of a Record of Site Condition
- NPCA: require additional information (revised EIS and/or draft plan) prior to finalizing comments (comments on most recent submission, including revised EIS, still forthcoming)

- MTO: requested draft plan conditions (Stormwater Management Report) & TIS review comments
- **Public Works:** TIS review comments
- Parks, Recreation & Culture: parkland dedication is reasonably consistent with West End Waterfront Trail Design Study and Master Plan; park area should be built prior to commencing residential construction
- Hydro One: no comments
- Enbridge: requested draft plan conditions



Peer Review

- SGL Planning & Design Inc. peer review notes that although the applicant has been working with staff to address many issues, there are a few key design and policy directions that need to be addressed further, namely:
 - Defined podiums and smaller floor plates
 - Tower separation distance of at least 25 m
 - Greater than 0 metre building setbacks
 - Improved treatment of the North Service Road
 - Provide a landmark/gateway building to the site
 - Improved public connection/visibility to waterfront through site
 - **Parkland** blocks must be **fully unencumbered** by natural heritage features
 - More fulsome urban design brief required
 - Employment overlay policies in Official Plan addressed through:
 - Stand-alone commercial/office building(s)
 - More employment floor space
 - Employment delivered in first phase vs. second phase
 - Explain how high quality business environment along the North Service Road will be achieved



Next Steps

- 1. Receive public and updated agency comments
- 2. Staff recommendation report
- 3. Council decision



Applicant's Presentation

