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1	Public Consultation and engagement	Special P&D May 23, 2023	<p>Comprehensive public consultations and information sharing and review by external subject matter experts on the proposed OPA including urban design, public realm, park space, community building, transportation plan and development density.</p> <p>Can we have workshops with the public (outside of council / Midtown Oakville COW)?</p>	<p>The Midtown Oakville Implementation Program, supported by external subject matter experts, includes a robust public engagement, ongoing communications and stakeholder liaison plan to integrate a range of perspectives from the public, Indigenous communities, stakeholders, and landowners and developers.</p> <p>Yes, this tactic will be incorporated as part of the public/stakeholder engagement plan for both the Midtown Oakville OPA development and Midtown Oakville Implementation Program.</p>
2	Best Planning Practices and Planning Tools	Special P&D May 23, 2023	<p>A review of best planning practices for Major Transit Station Areas (MTSA) across the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) and any other relevant urban plan.</p> <p>The public does not understand what we can do as the town. The expectation is that we can just ask for a community centre and developers will have to provide.</p>	<p>Upcoming meetings of the Midtown Oakville Committee of the Whole will provide discussions and presentations on best practices and comparator Urban Growth Centres, and the rationale within the context of provincial policy changes, community liveability, and an evolving economic landscape.</p> <p>This will be explained through future meetings where the team can illustrate provincial policy, legal responsibilities, capital planning and fiscal analysis.</p>
3	Climate Change	Special P&D May 23, 2023	Options to embed in the OPA, mandatory climate change initiatives for the area.	The Midtown Implementation Program scope include Community Energy Plan where climate change initiatives will be recommended, while appropriate policies will be incorporated into the OPA.

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4	Community Master Plan and Phasing	Special P&D May 23, 2023	A review of a potential comprehensive Community Master Plan for the entire midtown area to include phasing options.	Various Midtown master plans and a phasing plan will be developed. This work will inform policies to be incorporated into the OPA, and provide guidance for the implementation of Midtown in the future.
5	Town-wide Growth Forecast	Special P&D May 23, 2023	A review and analysis of Midtown and our six growth nodes population forecasts to build out, including the methodology which will assist us in determining the achievement of the mandated Town population growth by 2051 and understanding future capacity and an impact assessment.	The Town-wide joint best planning estimates (JBPE) were completed and presented to Council on August 15, 2023.
6	Other Plans integration	Special P&D May 23, 2023  COW #1 – July 18, 2023	Consideration of the Parks, Recreation, Library Master Plan, and Transportation Master plans currently underway and the Parks Plan to be reviewed in Q4 and how these integral plans will support a vibrant livable Midtown.  Planning for public and emergency services may be different than existing planning frameworks in the town - how are these being accounted for?	The Midtown Oakville Official Plan Amendment (OPA) process is a policy document that will not address public and emergency services in detail.  The planning of public and emergency services will align with ongoing town-wide master plans (Fire; Parks, Recreation and Library Facilities; Transportation), and other plans such as the Transit 5 Year Service Plan.
7	Stakeholders	Special P&D May 23, 2023	An understanding of the required infrastructure timing and the Province, Metrolinx and stakeholder commitment.	Response to be provided in the future.
8	Business Plan	COW #1 – July 18, 2023	Proper business plan and clear direction with measurable goals that can be monitored.	The Midtown Oakville Implementation Program consultant lead (Jacobs) has established a comprehensive Program Management Plan and Charter jointly with Town staff.

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				Key components of the Program Management Plan include ongoing quality management, proactive risk mitigation, progress tracking and reporting on each of the program initiatives.
9	Timeline of presentations	COW #1 – July 18, 2023	Provide presentations ahead of time to allow council and public review/comments and deputations.	Materials (staff reports and / or presentations) will be provided ahead of time prior to each Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting.
10	Developers’ frameworks and guidance	COW #1 – July 18, 2023	How can we work with developers to deliver the vision?	<p>The team is responsible for delivering a series of implementation tools as part of the Program Management Plan for the Midtown Oakville Implementation Program.</p> <p>This includes a robust public engagement, ongoing communications and stakeholder liaison plan to integrate a range of perspectives from the public, Indigenous communities, stakeholders, and landowners and developers.</p> <p>An overview of public and stakeholder engagement will be provided at the second COW meeting on August 24, 2023.</p>
11	Road Trip	COW #1 – July 18, 2023	Road trip to other areas of Oakville and other Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) Urban Growth Centre (UGC) communities to see challenges with growth, and promising practices that could be used in Midtown Oakville.	<p>A proposed schedule of communities (Oakville and within the GTHA) is being assessed.</p> <p>A proposed schedule will be shared with Council in late summer 2023 to confirm availability and logistics.</p>

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12	Transition of transit areas	COW #1 – July 18, 2023	Ability to transform transit areas - crossing two major arterials from the west – and ensure liveability?	This issue will be examined within the context of upcoming COW meetings on best practices and precedents, with further opportunities for discussion through the planned public engagement sessions.
13	Third Party Review	COW #1 – July 18, 2023	Third party review and impact assessment  What is the role of the consultant, are they the third party reviewer?	Jacobs is not a third party reviewer. Impact assessment is done from different lenses through various studies and will be shown in various stages of the Midtown Oakville OPA and implementation program process.
14	Road map		When will we see a road map of where we are going, and will we be able to see how each of the items in the Council resolution are being dealt with in the road map?	The roadmap for the Midtown Oakville OPA development and Midtown Implementation Program will be presented at COW on August 24, 2023.
15	COW meeting format		How are we going to have the Council meetings in more of a workshop format?	The COW meeting format allows the committee to discuss and work through detailed matters with the project team. Where some issues require more in-depth discussion, separate meetings can be identified.  As well, the project team is developing the public engagement program which will allow opportunities for the public and Council to dive into various matters associated with the Midtown Oakville implementation program.
16	Town Staff Role		What is the role of staff?	Staff and the consultant team are working collaboratively to deliver the Midtown Oakville Program.

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				The consultant team is responsible for delivering on a series of implementation tools and is responsible for complementing and building on work already undertaken by Town staff on the Midtown Oakville OPA through additional public engagement and technical analysis.
17	Precincts and Alternative OPA Strategies		Why are precincts not important; how would they benefit Midtown Oakville?	<p>Distinct precincts exist in the in-effect land use policies for Midtown Oakville.</p> <p>Precincts are still evident in the draft OPA, but are not labelled as such. The rail corridor and Trafalgar Road provide natural boundaries between districts (or precincts) without the need to use distinguishing labels.</p>
18	Density and leverage		Are we giving away our leverage to get some benefits by coming in so high at 10 FSI?	Upcoming meetings of the Midtown Oakville COW will provide discussions and presentations on best practices and comparator Urban Growth Centres, built form tools (including FSI) that have been utilized, and the rationale within the context of provincial policy changes, community liveability, and an evolving economic landscape.
19	Density		Is there potential for phasing, but also could we not start out low and revise in a couple of years?	<p>Midtown will take decades to develop, and the phasing of infrastructure (roads, pipes, parks) will be phased to coincide with that gradual development.</p> <p>The <i>Planning Act</i> required regular reviews and updates of the entire Official Plan. This</p>

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				<p>will be scheduled to update the policies for each of the Strategic Growth Areas to ensure the areas are developing as intended, but also to respond to changes in provincial plans, policies and legislation.</p> <p>Upcoming meetings of the Midtown Oakville COW will provide discussions and presentations on phasing and implementation considerations and options, based on precedents, best practices and an evolving policy and economic landscape.</p> <p>Technical analysis and feedback through public and stakeholder engagement will inform implementation and phasing policies in the Midtown Oakville OPA.</p>
20	Planning Tools		Why are we not doing a secondary plan like Vaughan who came in once and is now revising after they have seen how it works?	<p>The Growth Area Review for Midtown Oakville was effectively a secondary planning exercise, but was not titled as such.</p> <p>It followed all of the typical review, analysis and public process that is expected as part of how a secondary plan is created. This same process has been undertaken for each of the Growth Area Reviews (i.e. Hospital District, Bronte GO MTSA, Palermo, etc.).</p>

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21	Active Development Applications		The public does not understand that applications are proceeding despite the work that is being done now with Council.	<p>A municipality cannot simply refuse to receive a development application while a planning exercise or land use review is underway. The applications must respond to the in-effect land use and Official Plan policy when the application is made.</p> <p>Council and staff have not made any decisions or recommendations on the applications, they are still being reviewed by the town and public agencies.</p>
22	Extra Meetings		Can we have extra meetings, or is there general agreement that we cannot go past December 2023?	COW meetings are scheduled to the end of 2023. If extra meetings are required, they will be scheduled as appropriate.