



## REPORT

### Midtown Oakville

Meeting Date: October 10, 2023

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**FROM:** Planning Services Department

**DATE:** September 26, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Midtown Program – Implementation Framework

**LOCATION:** Midtown Oakville

**WARD:** Town-wide

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### RECOMMENDATION

That the report entitled “Midtown Program – Implementation Framework” be received for information.

### KEY FACTS

The following are key points for consideration with respect to this report:

- At its previous meetings, the Committee of the Whole – Midtown Oakville provided various questions and matters to consider going forward. A tracking tool has been created and is attached to this report and available on the Town’s web-site: [www.oakville.ca/midtown](http://www.oakville.ca/midtown).
- The consulting team – *Jacobs* – has been working towards a refresh of the Official Plan Amendment (OPA) as well as the key implementation tools and major tasks.
- Committee of the Whole meeting #3 will identify the draft findings of the program completed thus far by the consulting team.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Committee of the Whole, and the public, have identified various matters which the Committee would like the consulting team and staff to explore. These are listed in Appendix 1.

A key consideration by the Committee is the way in which the public is being engaged in both the OPA process and the future implementation framework. The *Jacobs* team has worked through the OPA, implementation program – including communications and public engagement – and will present that to Committee.

## **COMMENT**

The *Jacobs* team has received the Joint Best Planning Estimates (JBPEs), as was presented to Council in August 2023, and is now determining how the JBPEs apply to Midtown, and the implications to servicing infrastructure and distribution of population and employment throughout the Urban Growth Centre. The team will provide further information to Council on the next steps of using this information to inform the Official Plan Amendment process, and the overall workplan.

A copy of the OPA timelines was provided at the August Committee meeting, anticipating final committee work to conclude by the end of 2023, and meetings scheduled monthly.

### **Midtown Program Implementation**

In September, Staff and the *Jacobs* team have met with the Residents Associations as well as the landowners / developers stakeholder group in Midtown to outline the program thus far, and are tracking the list of items raised by Committee of the Whole at its meeting in July 2023. Over the course of the next few Committee meetings, these items will be discussed with the Committee such that findings and recommendations can be built into the new OPA for Midtown, where appropriate, and to keep the stakeholder groups engaged.

The *Jacobs* team has been detailing the structure to the Communications program and public engagement with the first meeting proceeding on 25 October, 2023. This will be in addition to updates to the web-site, technical meetings and establishing subsequent engagement opportunities for the public.

Appendix 1 to this report provides a table with a list of matters and issues that have been raised by the public, stakeholder groups, and Council which will be answered through the Committee of the Whole process. This is intended to be a dynamic document that will be updated with new questions and answers as the process unfolds

with further discussion provided at the Committee of the Whole meetings. As well, copies of the consulting team's presentations will be made available on the Midtown web-site.

## **CONSIDERATIONS**

### **(A) PUBLIC**

The town has hosted three statutory public meetings, several workshops and open houses on the Midtown OPA. Committee of the Whole meetings are open to public delegations. The public may submit comments on the draft OPA up until the time Council makes a decision on the matter.

### **(B) FINANCIAL**

None applicable to this report.

### **(C) IMPACT ON OTHER DEPARTMENTS & USERS**

The Midtown OPA and Implementation project involves co-ordination among numerous town departments.

### **(D) CORPORATE STRATEGIC GOALS**

This report addresses the corporate strategic goal to be the most liveable town in Canada.

### **(E) CLIMATE CHANGE / ACTION**

The Midtown consultant team will provide a future presentation and overview on the Community Energy Plan which is a key component of the Midtown Implementation project.

## **APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Issues Tracking List

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