

Statutory Public Meeting  
Town-initiated Official Plan Amendment

**Provincial Consistency Exercise**  
**Agenda Item 7.1**

Planning and Development Council  
September 22, 2025

# Changing Provincial Policy Regime

- 2017 Growth Plan
- 2017 Greenbelt Plan
- 2020 Growth Plan
- Bill 108 (*More Homes More Choice Act, 2019*)
- Bill 197 (*COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020*)
- 2020 Provincial Policy Statement
- ERO 019-6167 (Proposed revocation of PBWP, 2022)
- Bill 23 (*More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022*)
- Bill 185 (*Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024*)
- New Provincial Planning Statement, 2024

# Official Plan Review Update

*Since 2015...*

## Completed

- ✓ 15 Major Studies
- ✓ 18 OPAs adopted by Council

## Completion Q4 2025

- Provincial Consistency Exercise
- Uptown Core Growth Area Review
- Employment Areas Review
- North Oakville East Commercial Study Implementation

# Official Plan Review Update

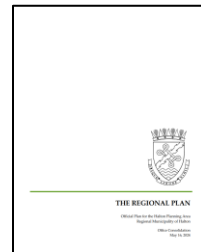
2026 - 2027



North Oakville  
Secondary Plans



**New  
Official Plan**



Halton Region  
Official Plan

# Provincial Consistency Review

- *Planning Act* changes
- Repeal of the Growth Plan
- New Provincial Planning Statement, 2024
- *Conservation Authorities Act* changes
- Parkway Belt West Plan
- Halton Region

# Planning Act Changes

- Parkland Dedication
- Exemptions for Post-Secondary Institutions
- Pre-consultation
- Notice

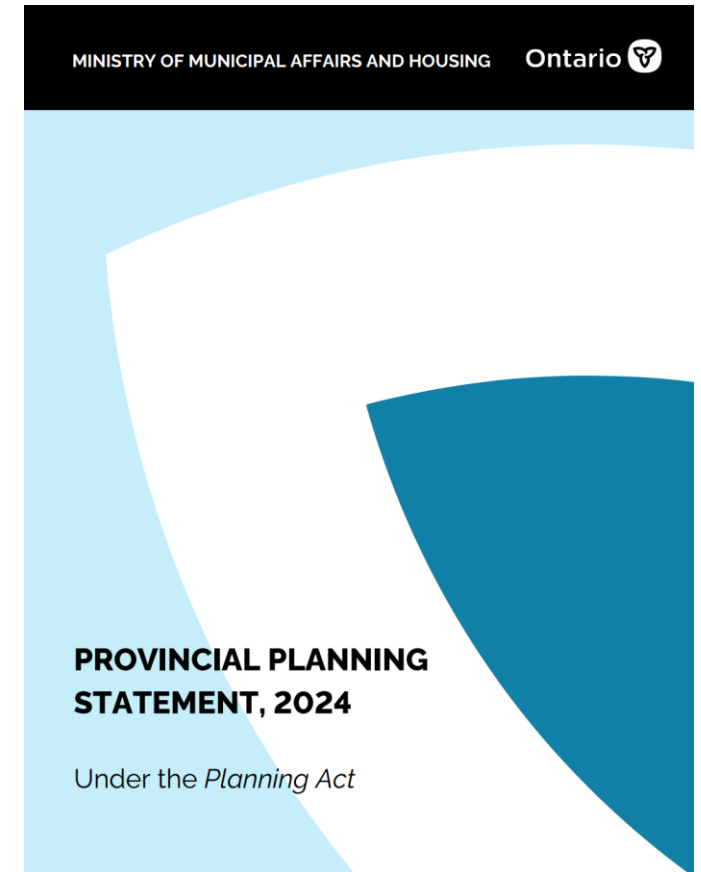
# Repeal of Growth Plan

- Effectively replaced by the new Provincial Planning Statement, 2024
- Concepts and definitions no longer relevant from a provincial planning perspective:
  - Intensification Targets
  - Urban Growth Centre
  - Provincial Priority Transit Corridor
  - Built Boundary
  - Greenfield Areas
  - Municipal Comprehensive Review
  - Greater Golden Horseshoe



# New Provincial Planning Statement, 2024

- Intended to replace both the Growth Plan and Provincial Policy Statement
- Some concepts modified, others not carried forward
- Policy updates required to align



# Conservation Authorities Act changes

- Delegation of conservation authority (CA) regulatory responsibility to municipalities
- Narrowed scope of CAs to primarily natural hazards
- CAs no longer review matters related to natural heritage, now under Town responsibility
- Policy updates required to reflect new relationship

# Parkway Belt West Plan

- Province has indicated intention to revoke the Parkway Belt West Plan
- Parkway Belt West is a land use designation in the Livable Oakville Plan
- Consideration of policies to guide development in the event it is revoked

# Halton Region

- Removal of planning responsibility from upper-tier municipalities, including Halton Region
- Policy updates required to reflect this new relationship



# Other Aspects

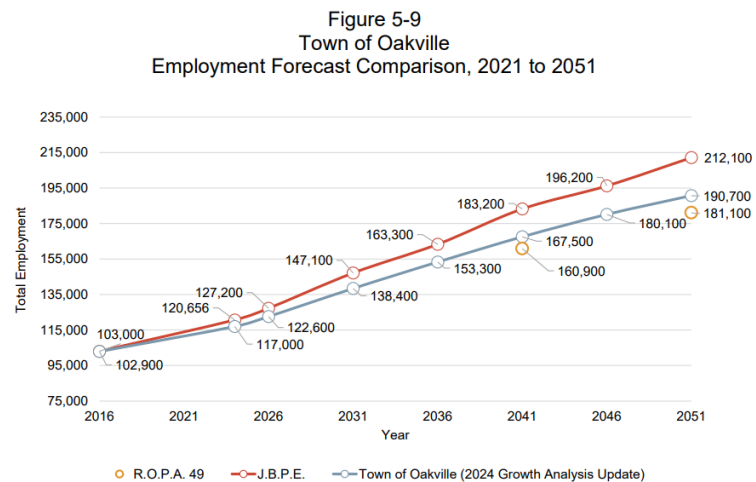
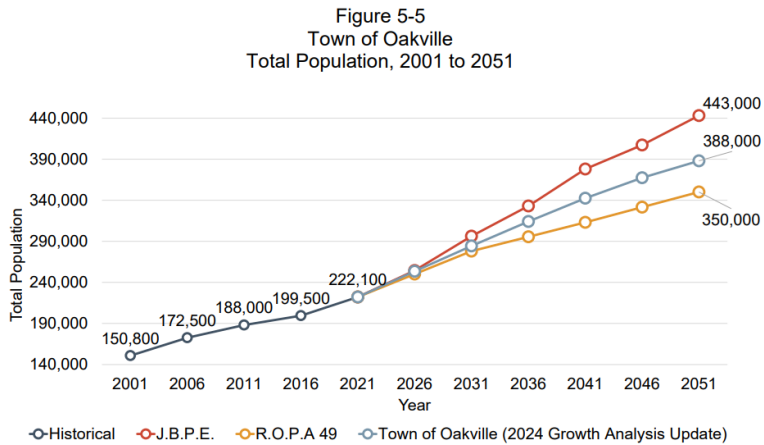
- Midtown Oakville policies
- Uptown Core Growth Area policies
- Areas of Employment
- Former section 37 bonusing

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- Update policies to reflect current *Planning Act* requirements related to parkland dedication, exemptions for post-secondary institutions, pre-consultation, and notice;
- Remove references to, and concepts from, the former Growth Plan;
- Update policies to be consistent with the Provincial Planning Statement, 2024;
- Update policies to reflect the current *Conservation Authorities Act* requirements;
- Introduce a new policy to address the anticipated removal of the Parkway Belt West Plan; and,
- Revise references to Halton Region, as required

# Draft Official Plan Amendment

## Town of Oakville Growth Analysis Study, 2024 Watson & Associates



*draft OPA extract:*

### 4. MANAGING GROWTH AND CHANGE

...  
This Plan provides a land use planning framework to direct and manage growth to ~~2031~~**2051** based on the following population and employment forecasts:

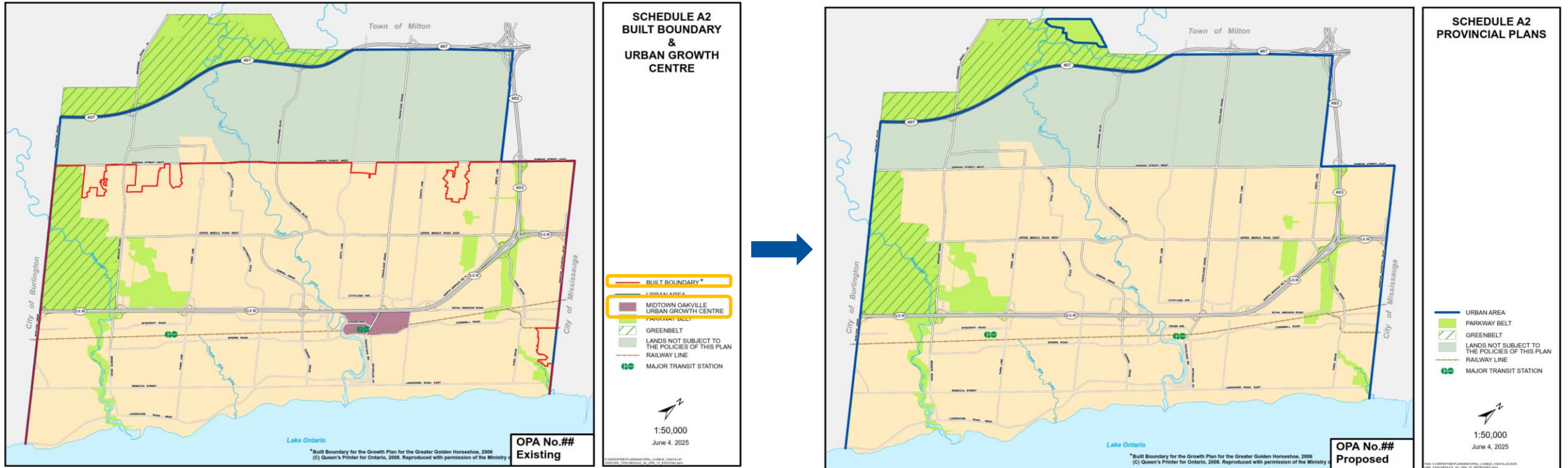
**Table 2: Town-wide Population and Employment Forecasts**

Year	Population	Employment
2006	165,000	82,000
<b>2031</b>	<b>284,000</b>	<b>138,000</b>
<b>2041</b>	<b>342,000</b>	<b>168,000</b>
<b>2031</b>	255,000	127,000
<b>2051</b>	<b>388,000</b>	<b>191,000</b>

Note:

- The forecasts are for the entire Town, including North Oakville. (North Oakville is approximately 35,000 employees and 55,000 residents.)

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\*Note: The proposed schedules in this draft OPA do not reflect the now-approved OPA 34. The recommended amendment will be updated to include these changes.

# Recommendation

That the staff report titled “Public Meeting Report – Town-initiated Official Plan Amendment - Provincial Consistency Exercise (File No. 42.15.67)”, be received.

That comments from the public with respect to the draft town-initiated Official Plan Amendment (File No. 42.15.67) be received.

That staff consider such comments as may be provided by Council.