

## **Appendix C – Applicant Hosted Public Information Meeting Minutes**

### **Public Information Meeting Minutes – Olde Oakville**

**Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2019 (7:00 – 9:00 PM)**

**Oakville Town Hall - Palmero Room**

**Our File No.: 2017/10**

#### **Summary of Public Comments:**

##### Pedestrian Connectivity

- A signalized crosswalk should be provided across the right turning lanes at the intersection of Cornwall Road & Trafalgar Road – current signage informs pedestrians to ‘wait for gap’ giving cars the right of way.
- Additional pavement markings/signal beacons be provided on the westbound exit lane of Cornwall warning of the pedestrian link that should exist at the intersection of Cornwall/Trafalgar.
- GO station platform extension east across Trafalgar to the site should be considered in the planning of the development. A direct pedestrian link from the site to the station could be advantageous and alleviate the pedestrian concerns at the intersection.
- Can an over or underpass be included to connect north of the tracks?
- Currently unsafe to cross Trafalgar/Cornwall intersection.
- What can be done to improve the intersection of Trafalgar and Cornwall? What about a pedestrian grade separation?

##### Traffic and Transportation

- What is MTO’s and Halton Region’s involvement on improving traffic on Trafalgar?
- The 200+ residential units mean 200+ more cars going into and out of the property and through the intersection.
- Traffic is already a concern so adding more units means more cars, more trips, and more traffic.
- Cars turning right onto Trafalgar Road North from Cornwall Road have the right of way with limited visibility – right turning lane should be eliminated.
- The advanced lights for the intersection of Trafalgar Road and Cornwall Road are not long enough. A short advanced green light is causing cars to block the intersection or speed up to make the light which causes back-ups and traffic hazards.
- Left turn into the site will be problematic due to the extreme congestion at the intersection of Cornwall/Trafalgar - cars turning from southbound Trafalgar to eastbound Cornwall.
- How will resident’s cars get in and out of the buildings and plaza?

- What can be done to the Trafalgar and Cornwall intersection?
- How many parking spaces are being provided for the commercial and retail?
- Will the retail create more traffic?
- There is a push for future commuters to use transportation (buses and GO train) Monday to Friday, but what about car traffic for after work hours and weekends?
- Almost everyone these days have 1 or 2 cars which means the need for more parking which creates more traffic
- Why can't the Town fix the traffic problem in the area before approving more development?
- Will the construction of the development cause more traffic impact?
- Developing in different phases and road ways will still cause traffic.

### Urban Design

- Shadows cast onto the parking lots will be helpful.
- Not opposed to the height – the 19 storeys is placed to the north where it is appropriate.
- Not many tall buildings in Town – does this building fit in with height.
- Liked the fact that it is a mixed-use project – encourages pedestrian and cyclists.
- The proposed architecture conflicts with the existing architectural character of 'Olde Oakville'.
- The materials used in the building do not match the character of the area.
- Would like the buildings to be more sympathetic to the existing context.
- The look of the commercial and retail floors fits in with the character of the neighbourhood.
- The use of different materials like brick would fit in more with the surrounding brick buildings of the plaza.
- It is a gateway to the area but it does not fit in with the neighbourhood in regards to design and height.
- The architectural treatment of the existing corner building on site is preferred.
- Tall glass appearance does not belong on the corner and gateway to the area.
- The contemporary balconies make it look off balanced - appear to be balconies but are not actual balconies.

### Landscape

- Inclusion of a parkette with benches since the building is a gateway to the area.
- Provide through pathways for pedestrians coming and going.
- Consider planting mature trees to make the new development 'feel' like Olde Oakville.
- Consider paving treatments that evoke 'Olde Oakville' – heritage colours, textures – don't make it feel cold/sterile.

## Planning

- Concern with proposed height of towers – why are they not per The Town’s Official Plan?
- The Town’s Official Plan allows for 4-10 storeys in this neighbourhood, why are you doing 14 and 19 storeys?
- What is the Zoning By-Law for this area, and what is allowed?
- Make sure everything goes through proper process.
- Why are the future plans for the plaza not shown?
- How many years will this development take?
- How long will the phasing take?
- Will you remove all current retail for residential mixed-use?
- Reducing current retail for more residential does not seem to make sense.
- Why are we expanding this area and not North Oakville?
- The parking lots north of the GO rail should be developed first to add more life to the area.
- Where does the Town stand on this?

## Servicing

- Are there sewer capacities in the area given the development plans to the north?

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