

LIVABLE OAKVILLE (OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW) COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018

OAKVILLE AND TRAFALGAR ROOMS
OAKVILLE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1225 TRAFALGAR ROAD, OAKVILLE

A meeting of the Livable Oakville (Official Plan Review) Council Sub-committee was held on Monday, February 12, 2018, in the Oakville and Trafalgar Rooms of the Oakville Municipal Building, commencing at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Rob Burton, Chair

Councillor Tom Adams
Councillor Cathy Duddeck
Councillor Allan Elgar
Councillor Dave Gittings
Councillor Jeff Knoll

Staff: J. Clohecy, Commissioner of Community Development

D. Carr, Town Solicitor

M. Simeoni, Director of Planning Services

D. Childs, Manager of Policy Planning and Heritage

K. Biggar, Senior Planner

C. Dodds, Planner

B. Sunderland, Planner

L. Gill Woods, Senior Planner

J. Warren, Council and Committee Coordinator

Regrets: Councillor Sean O'Meara

The items in these minutes are not necessarily in the order discussed.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Burton called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Regrets

There were no regrets.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Meeting of January 15, 2018

Moved by Councillor Duddeck

That the minutes of the Livable Oakville (Official Plan Review) Council Sub-committee meeting of January 15, 2018, be approved.

CARRIED

4. <u>Business Arising from the Minutes</u>

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Discussion Item(s)

a. Residential Policy Review

Mark Simeoni, Director of Planning Services identified that the Official Plan Review work program is on schedule. Mr. Simeoni advised that staff have started check ins for the Palermo Village, Uptown Core and Midtown Growth Areas. It was also noted that the Residential Character Study concluded in December 2017, and that work would be considered in the Residential Policy Review.

Carly Dodds, Planner presented preliminary information on the *Residential Policy Review*, including an overview of the study purpose and the initial scope of the review.

The scope included:

- a review of the provincial and regional plans and initiatives to ensure conformity and consistency;
- consideration of policy directions related to residential areas that emerged from other town studies;
- a best practices review to understand how other area jurisdictions have or are currently addressing the new Provincial policies, growth pressures and other emerging issues; and,

 additional matters, including opportunities for potential policy improvement and clarification

The committee was asked to provide input to staff on any additional matters that should be considered as part of the Residential Policy Review.

Discussion occurred and the following points were raised:

- A committee member requested that as part of the review, landscaping policies be explored. There are concerns regarding the size of parking spaces and their impact on front yards and the general character of neighbourhoods.
- A member requested more information on when the public will receive information about the next steps following the Residential Character Study. Staff responded that the recommendations from the Residential Character Study related to the Official Plan will be considered through the Residential Policy Review component of the five year Official Plan Review. Public engagement is planned to occur through 2018 and into 2019.
- A member requested to reach beyond the residents' associations as part of the public consultation. Staff responded that all members of the community will be welcome to participate in the consultation and communication will be open and frequent.
- A discussion around parking outside of the study area in North Oakville took place, and a member suggested that the parking standards need to be re-examined and the visitor parking standards reviewed. Staff responded that parking will be addressed through the Transportation Master Plan update and as part of the five-year Official Plan Review, a transportation discussion paper will be undertaken. In addition, the Enforcement Services Department is assessing parking.
- Jane Clohecy, Commissioner of Community Development identified several issues with parking that will be reviewed, including visitor parking, accessible visitor parking and parking standards. Ms. Clohecy noted that parking issues may need to move higher on the agenda for review.
- Housing affordability in Oakville and Halton Region as a whole was discussed by a member.
- A member noted that there are some vacant and underutilized sites in the stable residential communities and would like to ensure policies are in place to allow those sites to develop in way that compliments the stable areas around them. Staff responded that the urban structure guides growth and the Official Plan has specific policies to guide and evaluate development and intensification within the residential areas.
- A discussion around student housing for Sheridan College took place, including a member identifying the need for additional affordable rental housing with a range of unit sizes.

Moved by Councillor Knoll

That the Report entitled Residential Policy Review be received.

CARRIED

- 6. <u>Information Item(s)</u>
- 7. <u>Items to be Discussed at Next/Future Meetings</u>
- 8. <u>Date and Time of Next Meeting</u>

Monday, April 16, 2018 Oakville Municipal Building Oakville and Trafalgar Rooms- 1:00 p.m.

9. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 1:52 p.m.