



Minutes of Planning Advisory Committee

May 25, 2021, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Remote meeting via Cisco Webex

Member: D. Shock, Chair
P. Hanusiak
A. Luthra
L. Mactaggart
M. McIntosh
D. Renaud

Absent: I. Arora
S. Moriarity

Staff: N. Goss, Planner III, Senior Policy Planner
M. Gibson, Planner I, Policy
A. Sandor, Clerk, Planning Services

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:42 p.m.

First Nations Acknowledgement

The First Nations Land Acknowledgement was delivered by the Chair.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by: L. Mactaggart
Seconded by: P. Hanusiak

THAT the minutes from the April 27, 2021 Meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee be approved.

Carried

Committee Items

Official Plan Review

Moved by: M. McIntosh

Seconded by: P. Hanusiak

1. THAT the Planning Advisory Committee receive the staff presentation Official Plan – Policy Review.

Carried

Moved by: L. Mactaggart

Seconded by: D. Reneaud

2. THAT the Planning Advisory Committee provide comments relating to the following Official Plan Review question for consideration by staff and Council:

1. What are your thoughts/comments about the proposed policy approaches?

Carried

The following questions and comments were provided:

The City's engagement process with its Indigenous partners was discussed. When considering requirements for indigenous engagement the voices of Indigenous partners is most important. The city should go above and beyond the Provincial Policy Statement in terms of engagement and all community partners should have their voices heard in the process.

Is it appropriate for the City to go above and beyond the Provincial Policy Statement?

The definition of affordable housing and market-based housing was discussed. The Committee discussed whether market based housing within the Official Plan would be appropriate.

Regarding employment area transition policies, the committee discussed whether there should be flexibility in areas adjacent to employment areas to provide for more complete communities.

The importance of Green Infrastructure in the Official Plan was discussed, such as tree canopy impact on traffic flow and temperature.

The importance of having rules about the amount of permeable and impermeable surfaces and their relation to ground water recharge was discussed.

Chair and Staff Announcements

N. Goss, Planner III, Senior Policy Planner, gave the following announcements:

1. Two upcoming community workshops on the Official Plan review. The first is on Climate Change, scheduled for June 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The second workshop is on the Natural Heritage System, scheduled on June 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
2. A survey on the Official Plan policy paper will be released on June 1 at haveyoursay.guelph.ca.

Adjournment

Moved by: L. Mactaggart

Seconded by: A. Luthra

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:44pm.

Carried

Next Meeting

Planning Advisory Committee - September 21, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.