

Parkland conveyance vs. Cash-in-lieu

- ▶ Effective July 1, 2016, the Planning Act was amended, permitting a lesser maximum amount of parkland dedication when dedicated in the form of "cash-in-lieu".

Planning Act Alternative Rate for land

- ▶ *Section 43 (3)the by-law may require that land be conveyed to the municipality for park or other public recreational purposes at a rate of one hectare for each 300 dwelling units proposed...*

Planning Act Alternative Rate for cash-in-lieu

- ▶ *Section 42 (6.0.1)council may require a payment in lieu, calculated by using a rate of one hectare for each 500 dwelling units proposed.....*

Developers benefit financially from giving cash instead of land, while citizens are shortchanged.

City staff express concerns over current new parkland process in advance of bylaw update

Staff have felt pressure to accept 'outdated' cash payments in lieu of land for new parks, says consultants report

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Bylaw leaves Guelph with lack of green space, staff say

New parkland dedication bylaw, replacing the one first written in 1989, now up for public comments

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Why are we not requiring parkland instead of cash-in-lieu?

- ▶ If staff has delegated authority to require parkland instead of cash-in-lieu, why is this not happening?
- ▶ Multiple developments are coming to Council with zero parkland and proposals for reduced amenity space.
- ▶ As this pattern is repeated across the City, we become a park-poor community.