

1077955 Ontario Inc.

May 19, 2020,

Guelph City Hall
1 Carden Street
Guelph, Ontario N1H 3A1

Attention: Mayor Cam Guthrie and Members of Council

Re: May 25th, 2020 City Council Meeting
IDE-2020-17 Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan: Open Space System Strategy

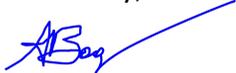
1077955 Ontario Inc. is the owner of a 32.6 hectare parcel of land known municipally as 2270 Gordon Street, Guelph which is located within the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan area at the north east intersection of Gordon Street and Maltby Road.

Consistently, in previous correspondence to Council, as part of this process, I have, on behalf of the company, noted the existing Larry Pearson Park is located in close proximity to the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan area. I want to again emphasize that since Larry Pearson Community Park is the future location of the South End Recreation Centre, it is my belief that putting the City's resources toward achieving the South End Recreation Centre is a better option for the City than creating a second Community Park and its associated municipal financial obligation within the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan area. 1077955 Ontario Inc. continues to question the need for this Community Park within the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan area and does not believe clear evidence of that need has been provided by staff to date. If the need for an additional Community Park is City-wide, then it should be located in an area where the need for a new Community Park can be demonstrated.

Since the initiation of the Clair-Maltby Secondary Plan process, the Province has approved Bill 108 which has created financial uncertainty for municipalities as noted on page 16 of the staff report, found at page 81 of your Council Agenda package. The subsequent release of the draft Community Benefit Charge regulations at the end of February, 2020 has not altered that uncertainty. In addition, on pages 8 and 9 of the staff report, found at pages 73 and 74 of your Council Agenda package, there is information on the size of existing Community Parks in Guelph and other nearby municipalities. Based on that information, it can be argued any new Community Park has the potential of being oversized at 10 hectares. For these reasons, 1077955 Ontario Inc. is supportive of the second recommendation that was included in the Motion passed by the Committee of the Whole on March 2nd, 2020.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments.

Yours truly,



Tony Bagnara
1077955 Ontario Inc.

cc: City Clerk
cc: Stacey Laughlin, Senior Policy Planner