

RESOLUTION OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

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Subject: Include Lands West of the Little Rouge as Residential

Date: September 16, 2021

Moved by: Regional Councillor Jones

Seconded by: Regional Councillor Li

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WHEREAS York Region's Alternative 2051 Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Scenarios Report dated September 16, 2021 recommends a phased 50-55% intensification scenario in the update Regional Official Plan; and

WHEREAS the same Regional Report includes Attachment 3 "City of Markham and Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Whitebelt Lands in the Phased 50-55% Scenario" identifying the lands bounded by Elgin Mills Road, Kennedy Road, 19th Avenue and Warden Avenue be designated as "Employment Area", and only the Hamlet of Almira as "Community Area"; and

WHEREAS the City of Markham's Comments on York Region's Proposed Growth Forecast to 2051 Report dated July 12, 2021 and Figures 1A and 1B recommend the entire eastern portion of the same block bounded by Elgin Mills Road, Kennedy Road, 19th Avenue and Warden Avenue be designated as "Community Area", extending to the north-south watercourse located mid-block; and

WHEREAS the same City Report identifies concerns with impacts and compatibility of future employment uses on adjacent residential development which may generate sensitive use concerns limiting the viability of employment uses; and

WHEREAS the same City Report recommends limiting employment uses to the western portion of the same block and designate as "Employment Area", to create a self-contained employment area with direct access to Warden Avenue; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the eastern portion of the block bounded by Elgin Mills Road, Kennedy Road, 19th Avenue and Warden Avenue be designated as "Community Area" as shown in Attachment 3: Preferred Option.