

2022 York Region Official Plan Adoption

On June 30, 2022 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. Council adopt the 2022 York Region Official Plan appended as Attachment 1 to the report dated June 2, 2022 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Chief Planner, with the following further revisions:
 - To Map 1A of the draft York Region Official Plan to exclude the Block 66 EAST as shown on Attachment 1 in the “Employment Area” and re-designate it “Community Area”
 - As outlined in Attachment 2 and Attachment 9B appended to the June 28, 2022 memorandum from the Chief Planner
 - To Section 5.3.5 as described below:

5.3.5 Special Provisions for the lands municipally known as 11333 Dufferin Street, 11641 Dufferin Street and 11490 Bathurst Street. Notwithstanding the policies of this ~~section~~, Plan the lands described as PIN 03342-0266, PT LT 29 Con 2 Vaughan; PL LT 30 Con 2 Vaughan PTS 1-8 64R6003 Except PT 3 Expropriation PL R602558; S/T VA41581 Partially Released by R283556; S/T VA82915, Vaughan, 11641 Dufferin St and 11490 Bathurst St and Part 2 Plan 65R-31874, the lands are intended to be developed for urban uses. The lands shall only be developed on the basis of full municipal services, an approved and registered draft plan of subdivision, and an approved implementing zoning by-law.
2. Should the Minister issue an Order implementing the proposed settlement permitting urban development on the Rizmi Lands in accordance with the adopted Regional Official Plan, Council request that it be subject to the following terms:
 - a. The settlement shall result in the resolution of all outstanding appeals of the Regional Official Plan, including all the lands stayed by the Minister’s Order.
 - b. The Rizmi lands proposed for urban development will require Plan(s) of Subdivision applications and will be subject to detailed studies and conditions of approval, including but not limited to servicing, grading and any other reasonable conditions of draft approval, all to the satisfaction of the Region.

- c. The construction and conveyance of the Kirby Road extension between Dufferin Street and Bathurst Street by Rizmi or its successor at no cost to the Region, with Rizmi providing any lands required from the Rizmi land holdings for the construction and conveyance of the Kirby Road extension, including any lands located within Parcel 1. The construction and conveyance of the Kirby Road extension will be condition of draft approval for any Plan(s) of Subdivision submitted in respect of all the Rizmi land holdings.
3. The Minister be requested to amend Reg. 140/02: Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan under the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act to permit and give effect to the adopted urban expansion on the Oak Ridges Moraine in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, as follows:
 - a. Settlement area expansion for the Stouffville Bethesda Community Area lands as shown on the Maps of Attachment 1 and as outlined Attachment 3; and
 - b. Settlement area expansion of the South Gormley Employment Area lands as shown on the Maps of Attachment 1 and as outlined in Attachment 3.
4. Should the Minister choose not to amend Reg. 140/02: Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan under the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act to permit the Council endorsed urban expansion on the Oak Ridges Moraine in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, the Minister be requested to modify the adopted ROP to reflect urban expansion on the remaining Whitchurch-Stouffville Whitebelt lands, currently identified as “Future Urban Area” on Map 1B of Attachment 1, with the designations and identifications provided in the inset maps for these lands in the November 2021 Draft Regional Official Plan.
5. Council adopt an overlay Schedule identifying lands in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville requested to be designated as Provincially Significant Employment Zones (PSEZ) as Future Strategic Employment Lands.
6. That the Minister be requested to modify A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe to identify future Provincially Significant Employment Zones in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville for the purposes of long-term planning for job creation and economic development as identified in maps endorsed by Regional Council on March 21, 2019 and as provided to Regional Council and staff and amend Reg. 140/02 as required to permit the PSEZ overlay in the ROP.
7. That if the Minister determines to include the settlement area expansions and the Whitebelt in Whitchurch-Stouffville that phasing of development be tied to the water & wastewater servicing master plan.
8. The Regional Solicitor and General Counsel be directed to proceed with the adopting bylaw for the proposed Region Official Plan and repeal bylaw for the 2010 Region Official Plan, effective following Ministerial approval.

9. The Regional Clerk submit the 2022 York Region Official Plan as adopted, to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval and forward this report and attachments to the Clerks of the local municipalities for information.
10. That staff work with the Province to obtain approval including to incorporate any modifications deemed necessary through their review, and report to Council as necessary.