

Appendix 'B'
Excerpts of Minutes of York Regional Council Special Meeting
October 21, 2021

F. Consideration and Adoption of Reports

F.1 Alternate 2051 Forecast and Land Needs Assessment Scenarios in Response to Consultation

That Council amend Clause 1 to read as follows and adopt the main motion as amended:

1. Council direct staff to include urban expansion lands based on a 50-55% intensification scenario in the updated Regional Official Plan, specifically 50% intensification annually to 2041 and 55% intensification annually from 2041 to 2051, as outlined in the September 16, 2021 report.
2. The Regional Clerk forward this report to the local municipalities, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and to the Region's Members of Provincial Parliament.

Carried

(See also Items H.1, H.2, H.3 and H.4)

H. Motions

H.1 Township of King - Growth to 2051

That Council adopt the following revised motion:

1. That the Whitebelt lands in King Township not be included to accommodate proposed growth to 2051, and instead re-direct growth towards settlement areas.
2. That Council direct staff to provide, through Official Plan policy, for the redistribution of the population (estimated to be 3,200 people) currently assigned to Whitebelt lands in the Township of King to one or more of the existing and established Villages within King Township, and that the Township determine the location(s) for this future population assignment through a local process.

Carried

H.2 Future Land Needs for Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

That Council adopt the motion, amended as follows:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Regional Council direct staff, through the on-going Municipal Comprehensive Review, to:

Include a settlement area boundary expansion to include the proposed South Gormley Employment Expansion Area; and

Include a settlement area boundary expansion to the Community of Stouffville to include the proposed Bethesda Lands.

That this be in lieu of the whitebelt lands identified in the September 16, 2021 report.

That staff be directed to seek an amendment from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to O. Reg. 140/02: Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan under the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act to permit the proposed changes to the settlement area boundary.

Carried

H.3 Fully Include Town of East Gwillimbury Whitebelt Lands in the 2051 Timeframe

That Council adopt the following revised motion:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to designate a minimum of 70% of the Whitebelt lands in East Gwillimbury as Community and Employment Areas and include appropriate phasing and front-funding policies in the Regional Official Plan through this Municipal Comprehensive Review.

Carried

H.4 Include Lands West of the Little Rouge as Residential

That Council adopt the following motion:

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.

Carried