



WORKSHOP OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

September 11, 2017

7:00 PM

Angus Glen Community Centre

Comprehensive Zoning By-Law – Phase 3B Mixed Use / Employment / Commercial

Attendance

Staff

Tom Villella, Manager, Zoning and Special Projects
Geoff Day, Senior Planner
Bradley Roberts, Zoning Supervisor
Kitty Bavington, Council/Committee Coordinator

The Workshop convened at the hour of 7:03 p.m., at the Angus Glen Community Centre, Activity Room # 1.

There were approximately 20 members of the public in attendance. A Workshop Workbook was provided to all participants. Participants were requested to sign in for the purpose of further notification.

Tom Villella, Manager, Zoning and Special Projects, welcomed everyone to the Workshop and introduced City staff and consultants in attendance.

Mr. Villella explained the format of the Workshop and advised that the presentation would be posted on the City website. The presentation outlined the comprehensive zoning by-law project process since 2013; the complexity of the current outdated by-law system; and the objective of creating a new by-law that is user-friendly, interactive, and web-based. The new by-law will guide land use and development in Markham, respond to emerging planning and development trends, and implement the policies of the new Official Plan with one consistent set of standards.

Nick McDonald of Meridian Planning, consultant for the City, discussed the process to date and gave a presentation on the following aspects for discussion:

- Official Plan designations
- Applicable Official Plan policies
- Current zoning
- Current locations
- Moving forward

The City is looking for feedback on specific topics relating to mixed use, employment, and commercial uses: zoning tools for the new zoning by-law; minimum and maximum Floor Space Index (FSI); building height; angular plane; setbacks; street wall; tall building standards; and implementation options.

Donna Hinde of The Planning Partnership, led the group in the interactive portion of the Workshop, explaining the process for providing input. Worksheets were posted at stations around the room for written comments, and staff and consulting teams were available for questions and discussions. This portion of the meeting ran from 7:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Development Services Workshop concluded at 8:30 p.m.