### **LEITCHCROFT**







#### TIMES GROUP CORPORATION

May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

# **CONTEXT**





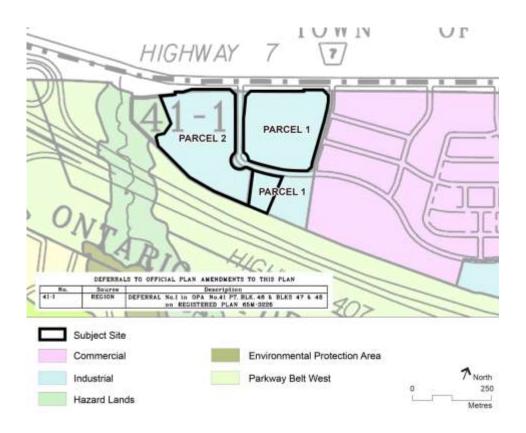
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## SITE LOCATION



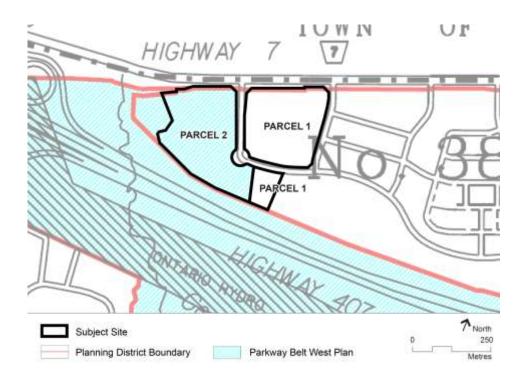


#### **OFFICIAL PLAN - CURRENT**





### OFFICIAL PLAN - PARKWAY BELT





#### **OFFICIAL PLAN - PROPOSED**





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### **CONCEPT PLAN**





#### **EMPLOYMENT LANDS?**

- Parcel 1 –
   Designated Employment Lands
- Parcel 2 –
   Designated Future Urban, are not Employment
   Lands and should not be included in the employment inventory





#### MAINTAIN JOB FORECASTS

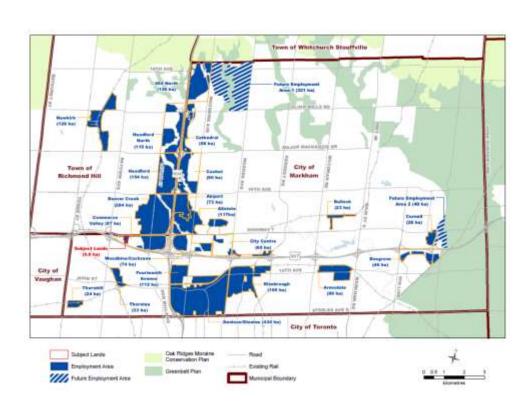
Variable	Input/ Outcome	
Office Space Proposed	7,712	sq. m
Sq. m/job	25.25	sq. m
Office Jobs Generated	305	jobs
Retail & Service Space Proposed	11,799	sq. m
Sq. m/job	37.2	sq. m
Retail & Service Jobs Generated	317	jobs
Total Employment Yield	622	jobs
Employment Density	111	jobs/ha

Source: Times Group Corporation, York Region 2031 Land Budget, page 17.

- The proposal can maintain the jobs required for the site
- Applied Regional density forecasts
- North half Major Office
- South half Employment
- Requirement = 640 jobs



#### **SEPARATION OF USES**



- Cannot destabilize an Employment Area as it is already physically separated from the Commerce Valley Employment Area
- Isolation from the Employment Area, creates a competitive disadvantage



### VISIBILITY YES – ACCESS NO





#### **EXISTING ZONING**



- Leitchcroft originally envisioned as regional scale entertainment complex
- Parcel 1 zoning provides permission for 50/50 split of office and retail/restaurant
- 100% entertainment/ recreation also permitted



# WHY THIS SITE IS DIFFERENT

- Not part of a larger employment area
- No destabilization issue
- Not an ELE issue (no industrial permissions)
- Direct frontage on a Regional Transit Corridor
- Intensification Area
- Leitchcroft needs Population Related Employment (retail)
- Major Office Job Requirement can still be met
- Other sites (Buttonville) proposing Major Office Jobs
- Proposed plan is a better fit versus existing zoning permissions







#### RECOMMENDATION

We request that Committee/Council pass a motion directing staff to:

- 1) Redesignate Parcel 1 to a mixed use category in the new Official Plan, consistent with the proposed plan;
- 2) Affirm that Parcel 2 are not employment lands and designate the lands in a mixed use category in the new Official Plan, consistent with the proposed plan



