

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor and Members of Council

FROM:

Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services

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DATE:

March 1, 2016

RE:

Ruland Properties Inc. (The Remington Group)

North of Enterprise Boulevard, east of Warden Avenue and west of Rouge

Valley Drive West

File Nos. ZA/SC 15 244500

Background

Attached please find a Zoning By-law Amendment which implements a high density residential development comprising 545 condominium units with ancillary retail uses, located north of Enterprise Boulevard, east of Warden Avenue and west of Rouge Valley Drive West. This Zoning By-law Amendment application was approved by Development Services Committee (DSC) at their November 2, 2015 meeting. A discussion pertaining to the provision of visitor parking spaces took place at that meeting and this memo addresses the concerns raised by DSC.

<u>Updated Visitor Parking Survey/Rates</u>

The Markham Centre Zoning By-law 2004-196, as amended, requires parking to be provided for apartment dwellings at a rate of 1 space for residential parking and 0.2 spaces per unit for visitor parking. The required number of parking spaces for the proposed development is 660 spaces, and the provided number of spaces is 628 (reduction of 32 spaces) based on a parking standard of 1 space per residential unit (545 spaces) and 0.15 spaces per unit for visitor parking (83 spaces), to be shared with the 179 m² retail component, which accounts for 6 spaces of the shared component. The visitor parking ratio was based on 2012 surveys at proxy sites within Downtown Markham and the fact that the proposed site will be located immediately adjacent to a transit station.

The provision of parking for the proposed development was a topic of discussion at the DSC meeting held on November 2, 2015. Specifically, members of DSC asked the Applicant's transportation consultant to provide an update to visitor parking information collected in 2012

and verify whether the visitor parking supply has been reduced at the proxy site locations. A parking addendum was prepared to this effect and provided to staff in December 2015. In summary, the new 2015 and 2012 visitor parking survey results are very consistent, and the 2012 rates remain valid. The new 2015 surveys of visitor parking demands at sites near the proposed development (including the Bijou Phase 2, Veradale and Nexus buildings) show that the aggregate peak visitor parking demand at the three sites was 0.12 spaces per unit. Coupled with this, transit ridership has been increasing, based on historical annual transit ridership information at the Viva station on Enterprise Boulevard at Warden Avenue. The increasing number of transit passengers contributes to lower visitor parking demand. The parking surveys and transit ridership information validates that the proposed visitor parking supply of 0.15 spaces per unit is sufficient to accommodate the anticipated visitor parking demand and is appropriate for the proposed development. Accordingly, the attached implementing Zoning By-law reflects this figure.

Conclusion

Staff recommend that the attached Zoning By-law Amendment be enacted.

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Explanatory Note

By-law 2016-___ A By-law to amend By-law 2004-196, as amended

Ruland Properties Inc. (The Remington Group) North of Enterprise Boulevard, east of Warden Avenue and west of Rouge Valley Drive West

Lands Affected

The proposed by-law amendment applies to a 1.21 ha (3 acres) vacant parcel of land located north of Enterprise Boulevard on the east side of Warden Avenue and fronting onto Rouge Valley Drive West.

Existing Zoning

The lands are zoned "Markham Centre Downtown One (Hold)" [MC-D1(H1, H2, H5)] by By-law 2004-196, as amended.

Purpose and Effect

The purpose of this by-law amendment is to rezone the subject lands to "Markham Centre Downtown Two *25 (Hold) [MC-D2 *25(H)]" in By-law 2004-196, as amended, incorporating site specific development standards.

The effect of this by-law amendment is to permit a proposed high-density development accommodating 545 residential units, and to limit retail stores to a maximum net floor area of 200 m^2 .



By-law 2016-___

A By-law to amend By-law 2004-196, as amended (to rezone lands in the designated area of By-law 2004-196)

THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Zoning By-law 2004-196, as amended, be and the same is hereby further amended as follows:
 - 1.1 By rezoning the lands outlined on Schedule A attached hereto from Markham Centre Downtown One (Hold) [MC-D1(H1, H2, H5)] to Markham Centre Downtown Two *25 (Hold) [MC-D2 *25(H)]

As shown on Schedule L1 attached hereto;

- 1.2 By amending Section 1.2 of By-law 2004-196, as amended, by adding the symbols "L1 to L4" at the end of the sentence "Schedules A1 to A4, B1 to B4, C1 to C4, D1 to D4, E1 to E4, F1 to F4, G1 to G4, H1 to H4, I1 to I4, J1 to J4, K1 to K4".
- 1.3 By amending Section 2.2 of By-law 2004-196, as amended, by adding the symbol "L1" at the end of the sentence "Schedules A1, B1, C1, D1, E1, F1, G1, H1, I1, J1, K1".
- 1.5 By amending Section 2.6 of By-law 2004-196, as amended, by adding the symbol "X10" at the end of the sentence "Schedules X1, X2, X3, X4, X5, X6, X7, X8, X9."
- 1.6 By adding the following new subsection 6.25 (*25) to Section 6 Exceptions to By-law 2004-196:
 - 6.25 Ruland Properties Inc. (The Remington Group)
 Lands Zoned MC-D2 North of Enterprise Boulevard,
 east of Warden Avenue and west of Rouge Valley Drive
 West

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this By-law, the following provisions shall apply to the lands denoted by the symbol *25 (Exception 25) on the schedules to this By-law. All other provisions, unless specifically modified/amended by this section, continue to apply to the lands subject to this section.

6.25.1 Special Site Provisions

The following special site provisions shall apply:

- a) Dwelling units are permitted on any storey, including the first storey, of an apartment building.
- b) Special Provision (2) to Table A1 shall not apply.

- c) In the case of a *corner lot* with a daylighting triangle, the *exterior side lot line* shall be deemed to extend to its hypothetical point of intersection with the extension of the *front lot line* for the purposes of calculating minimum and maximum *setbacks* from *streetlines*. Notwithstanding the above, in no case shall any *building* or *structure* extend into the *public street* right of way.
- d) Awnings are permitted to extend to any streetline or lot line.

6.25.2 Special Parking Provision

The following special parking provision shall apply:

a) The *parking space* requirement for *Apartment Dwellings* shall be as follows:

A minimum of 0.8 parking space per dwelling unit and a maximum of 1 parking space per dwelling unit, plus 0.15 parking spaces per dwelling unit for visitors. The provision of additional parking spaces is not permitted.

b) Where development of a *lot* is phased, the number of *parking spaces* provided in a *parking garage* on the *lot* during the earlier phase(s) may exceed the maximum number permitted under Section 6.24.2(a), provided that the total number of *parking spaces* on the *lot* shall at no time exceed the maximum number that would be permitted if all approved *dwelling units* and other uses were constructed in a single phase.

6.25.3 Special Holding Provisions

The following special holding provisions shall apply:

Holding provision 'H' shall only be lifted on all or part of the lands shown on Schedule 'X10' attached hereto when all of the following criteria have been met:

- i. Appropriate water supplies and sewage capacity are available, and have been allocated by Council and/or the Developers Group to support the development.
- ii. A traffic impact study and a TDM (Travel Demand Management) plan have been approved by the City of Markham and York Region within the prior 6 months for the lands from which the holding provision is to be removed.
- iii. A developers group agreement or other cost sharing arrangement for community infrastructure and facilities has been entered into to the satisfaction of the City's

Commissioner of Development Services and the City Solicitor.

- iv. Any other agreement identified as being required by Council has been entered into that satisfies all of the conditions of the City.
- v. Site Plan Approval has been granted by the City.

Driveways and underground parking garages are permitted to be constructed prior to the removal of the Holding provision 'H'.

- 1.7 By adding the following schedules to By-law 2004-196, as amended Schedule L1, L2, L3, L4 and X10.
- 2. All other provisions of By-law 2004-196, as amended, not inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law shall continue to apply.

Read a first, second, and third time and passed on March 1, 2016.		
Kimberley Kitteringham	Frank Scarpitti	
City Clerk	Mayor	











