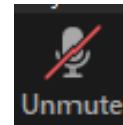


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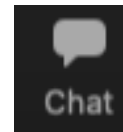
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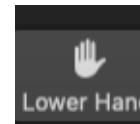
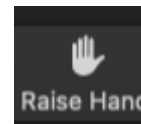
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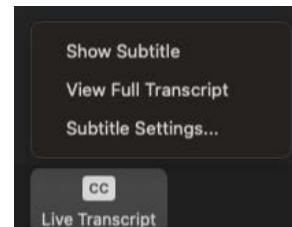
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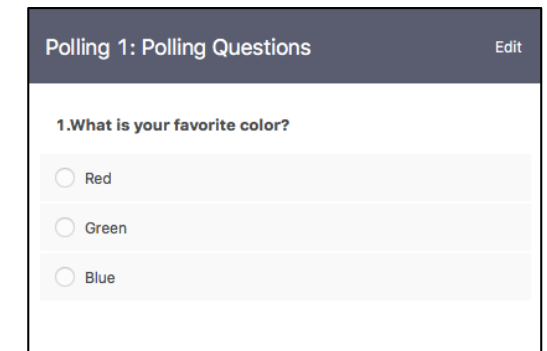
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City Plan 2041 Official Plan Update

Virtual Open House – April 26, 2022



Overview

6:30	Welcome & Introduction
6:40	Re-cap of Official Plan Update Phase 3 Process
6:45	Overview of draft OPA 18.3 - Vision & City Structure <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 15 minute Q&A
7:20	Overview of draft OPA 18.4 - Neighbourhoods <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 15 minute Q&A
8:00	Next Steps
8:05	General Q&A
8:30	Adjourn

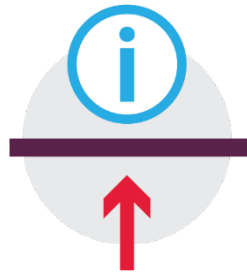
Objective of Event



Information exchange between you and City staff



To inform you about and gauge your support for the Official Plan Amendments as drafted



To provide a baseline of information for ongoing engagement with you

Public Engagement events to date

Open House
#1 and
Survey
Feb. 2021

Workshops
and Surveys
April-May
2021

Open House
#2 and
Survey
October 2021

Key
Directions
Report
February
2022

Draft OPAs
for comment
April 7
2022

What We Heard

Phase 1 Summary Report
City Plan 2041: Richmond Hill
Official Plan Update

Prepared by LURA Consulting
Prepared for the City of Richmond Hill



Phase 2: What We Heard

Business Community Summary
Report

City Plan 2041: Richmond Hill
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July 2021



Phase 2: What We Heard

Centre-Specific Workshops
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Planning for Change

Standard



Official Plan Update Emerging Key Directions

As shared with the Official Plan Update Committee Meeting
September 21, 2021



Phase 2: What We Heard

Key Directions Engagement
Summary Report

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Key Directions Report

For the Richmond Hill Official Plan Update

November 2021



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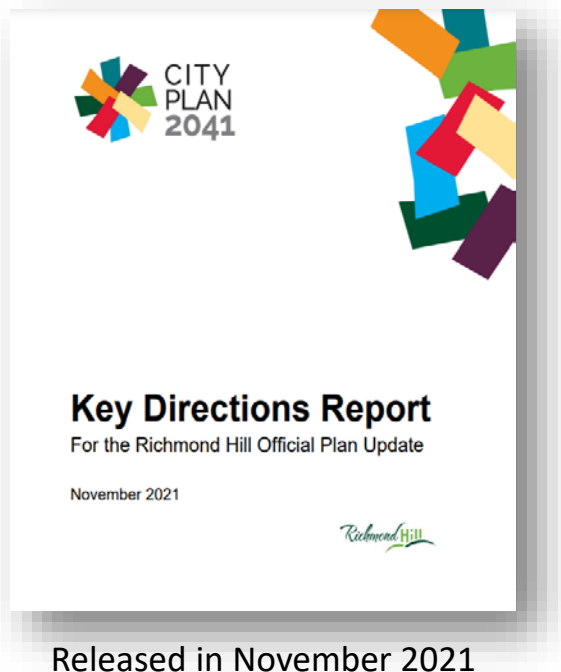
Released in November
2021

Poll #1:

Since when have you been involved in the Official Plan update?

- A. Since the first Open House in February 2021.
- B. Since the workshops in May 2021.
- C. Since the second Open House in October 2021.
- D. Since November, 2021 when the Key Directions Report was issued.
- E. I just started to be involved.

Recap: Key Directions Report endorsed February 2022



Released in November 2021

Endorsed by Council on
February 9, 2022

To provide a **framework** for updating the Official Plan to ensure that the proposed **Vision** and **Urban Structure** for City Plan 2041 can be achieved, while applying the **4 Pillars of the Official Plan Update** for evaluating policy and/or mapping changes.



Official Plan Update (OP Update): Phase 3

Phase 3 consists of consultation on and development of Official Plan Amendments which will be advanced in three batches:



OPA 18.3 Vision and City Structure

Presented by: Andrew Crawford

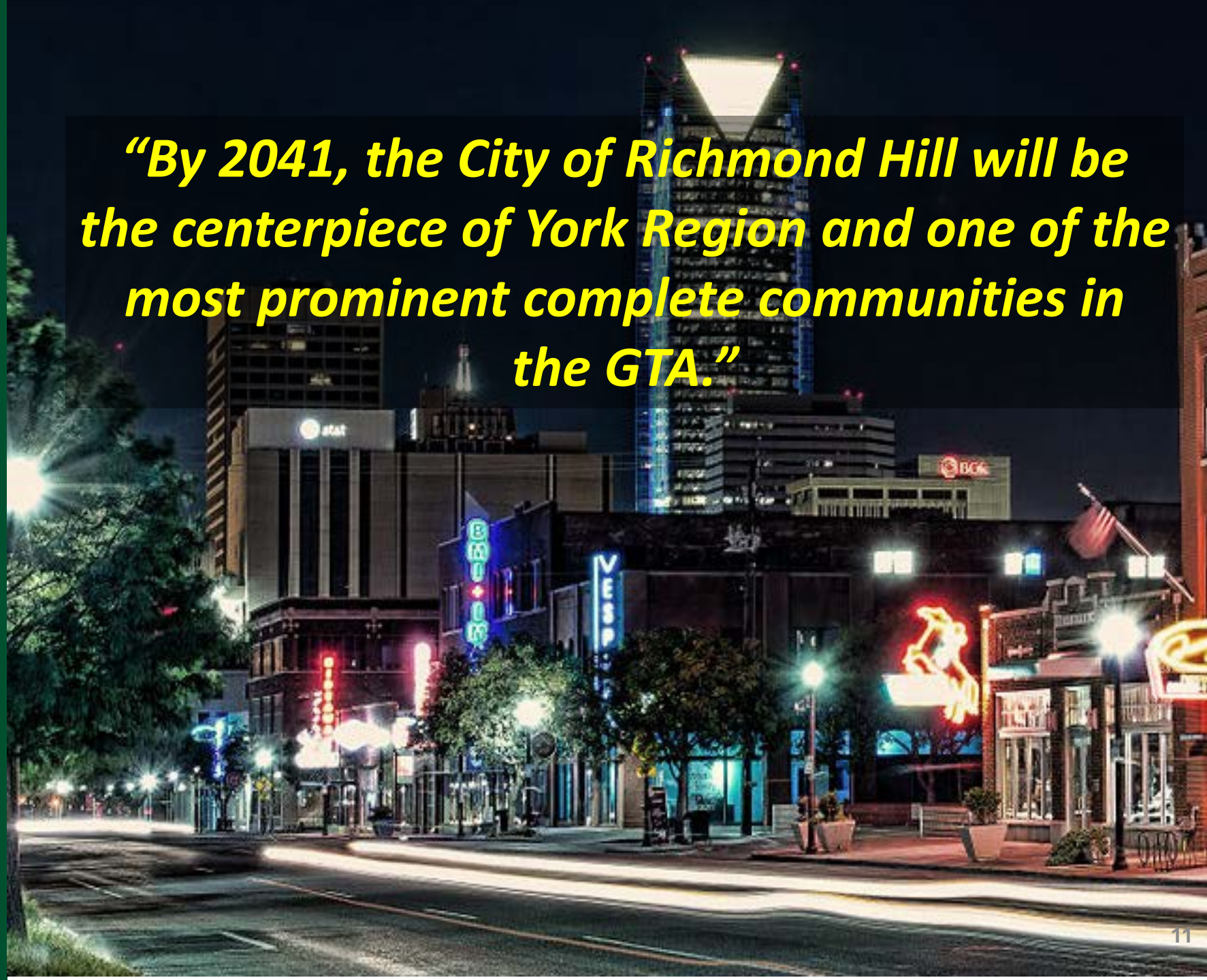
OPA 18.3 Vision and City Structure - **Objective**



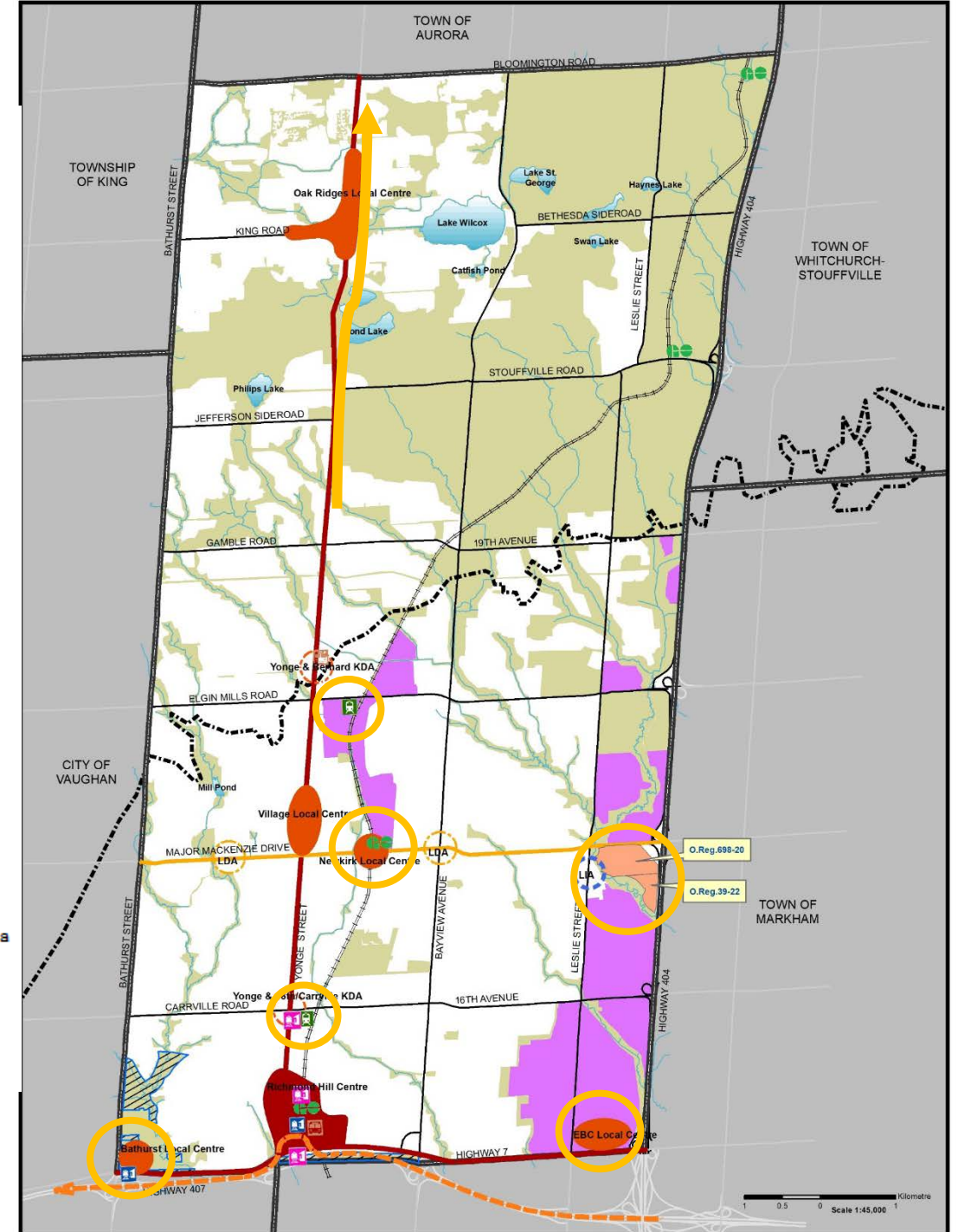
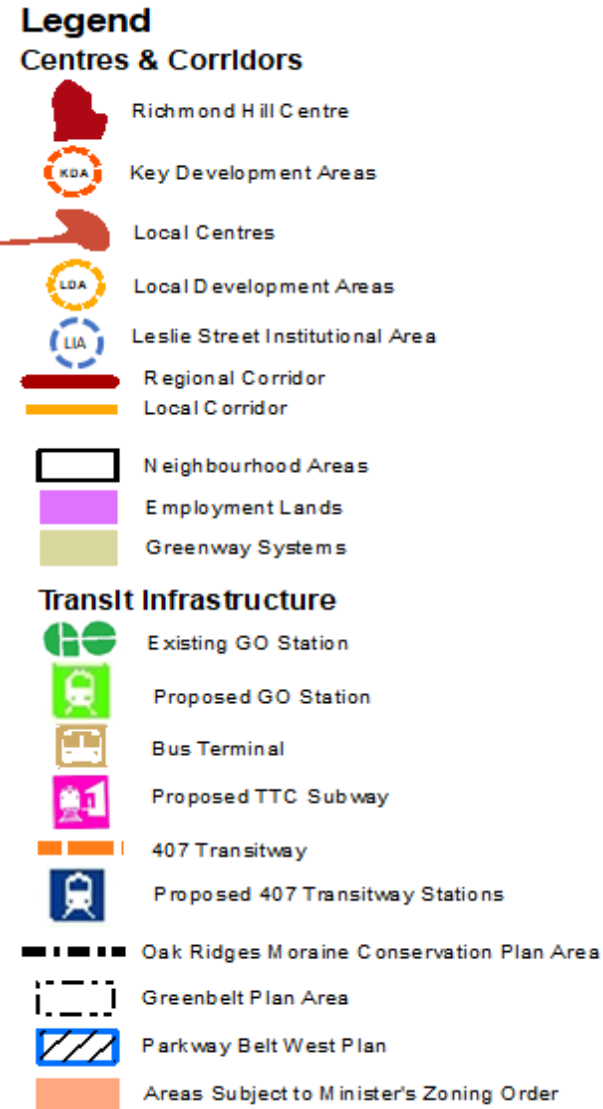
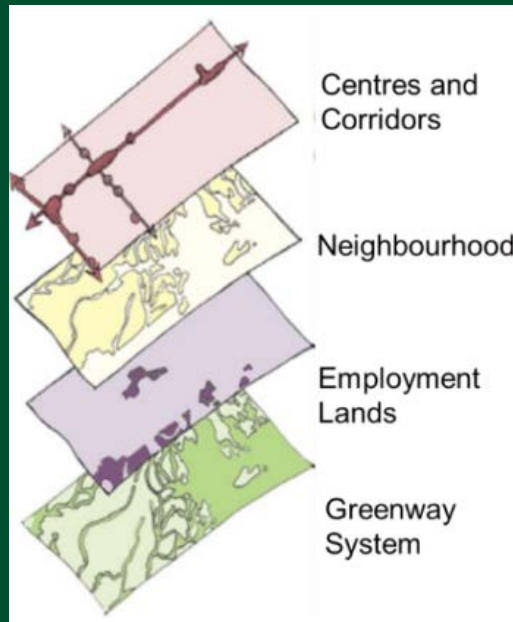
- Incorporate the 2041 **City Planning Vision**, and update the City's urban structure elements to achieve it.
- Clarify **intensification hierarchy** and **formalize the mobility hierarchy**.
- Introduce new Council approved/endorsed **targets** and provide/update policies that support their achievement.
- Implement 23 Key Directions related to placemaking, affordable housing, climate change, mobility, and more!

Update vision and horizon to 2041

“By 2041, the City of Richmond Hill will be the centerpiece of York Region and one of the most prominent complete communities in the GTA.”

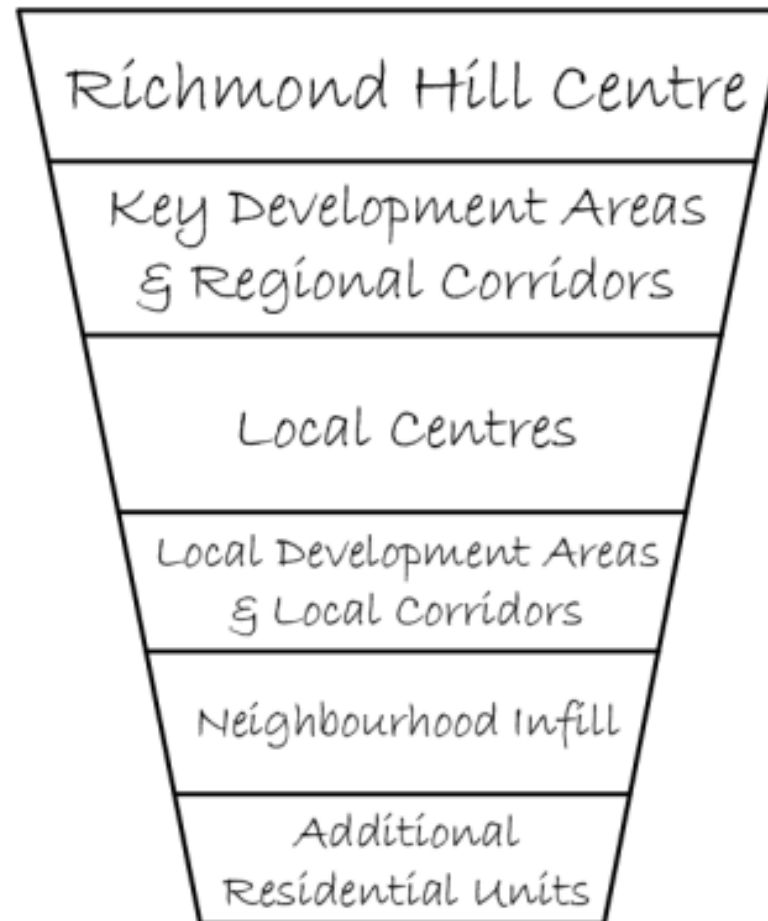


Update City Structure "Schedule A1"



Clarify Intensification Hierarchy

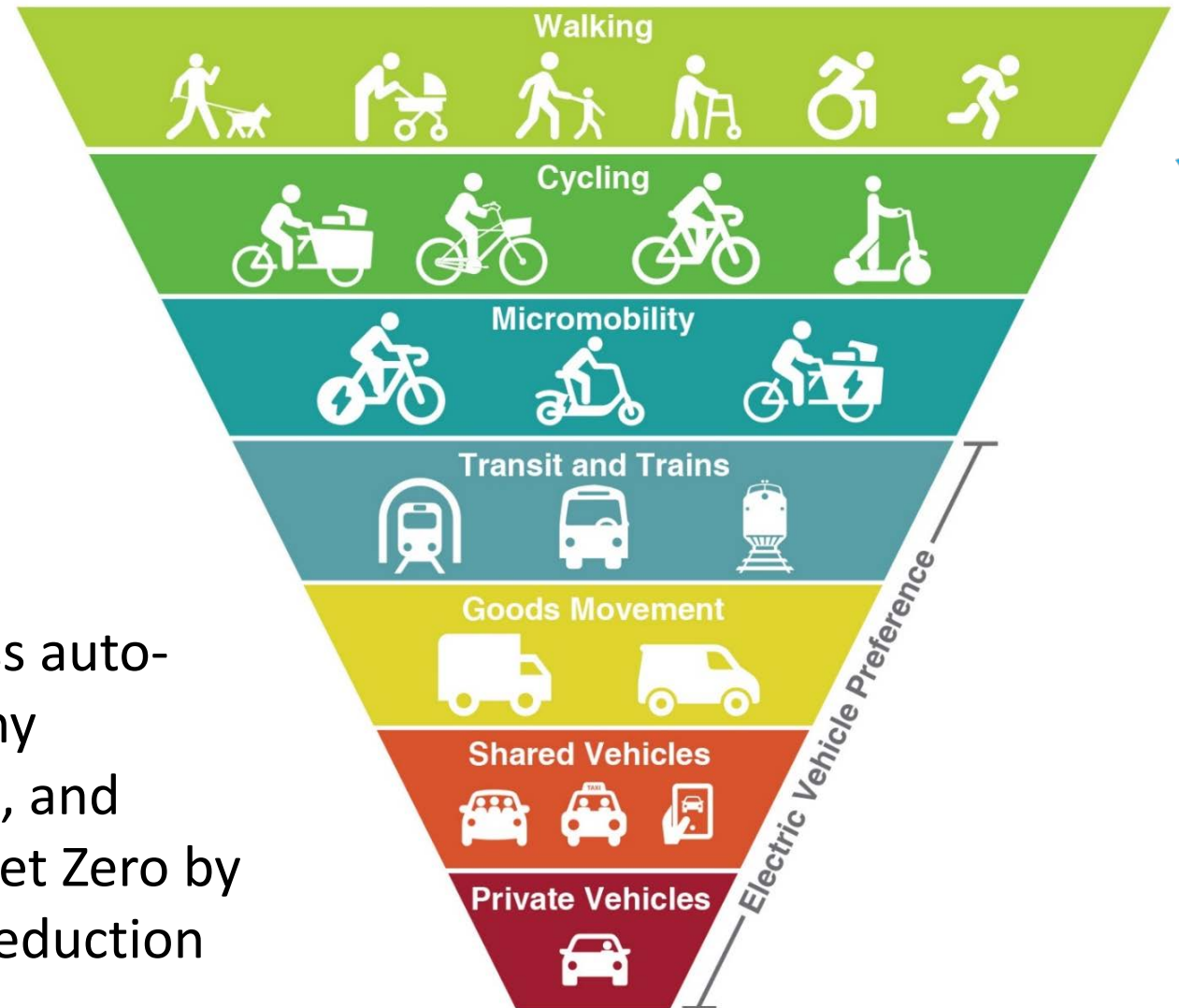
... as the prioritization of areas to accommodate new growth in a manner that is context sensitive and commensurate with proposed existing and planned transit.



Formalize Mobility Hierarchy

Supported by
Transportation
Master Plan

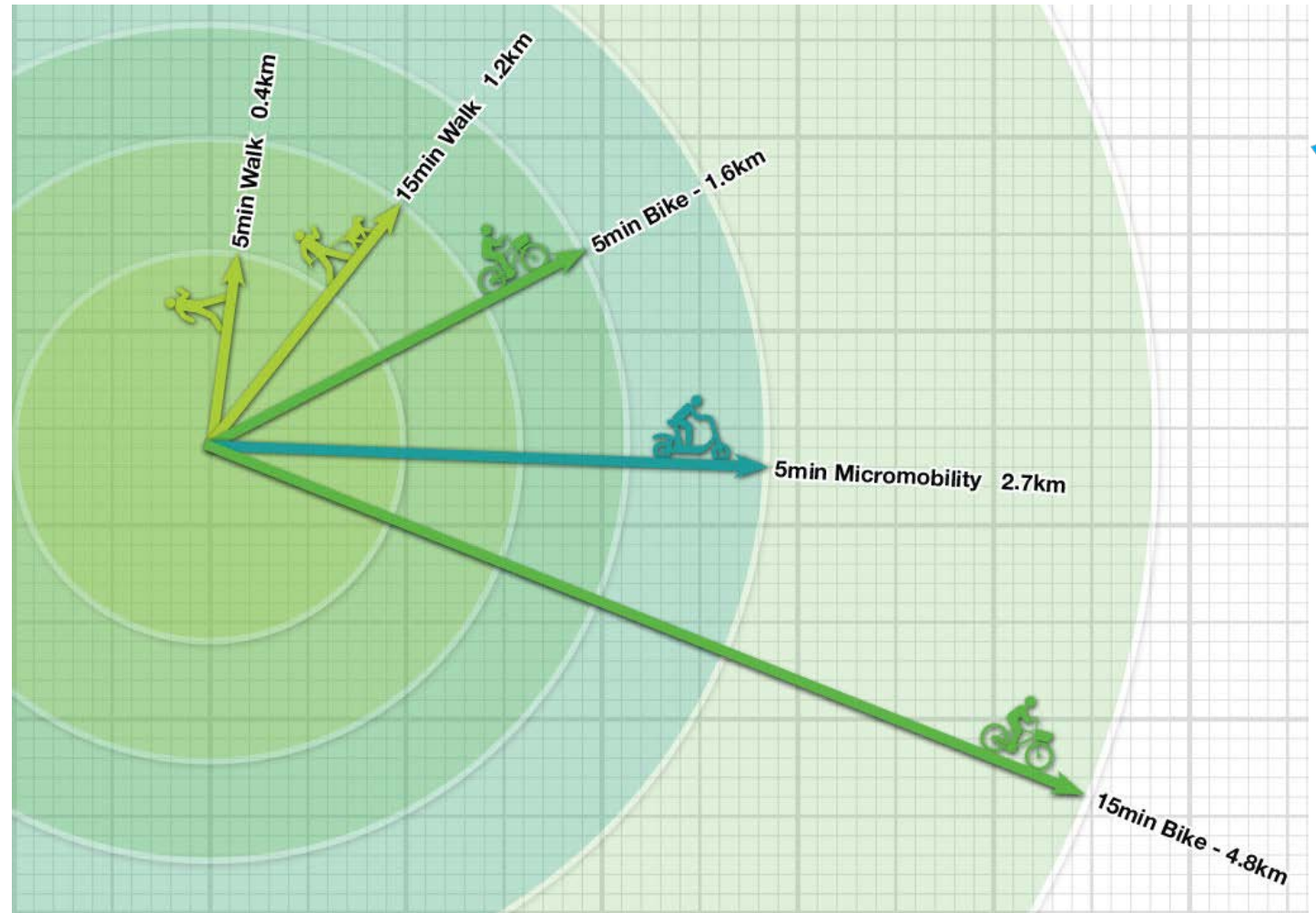
Prioritizes infrastructure projects, implements transportation mode split targets, and aligns growth with infrastructure.



Results in less auto-reliant healthy communities, and **Supports** “Net Zero by 2050” GHG reduction target.

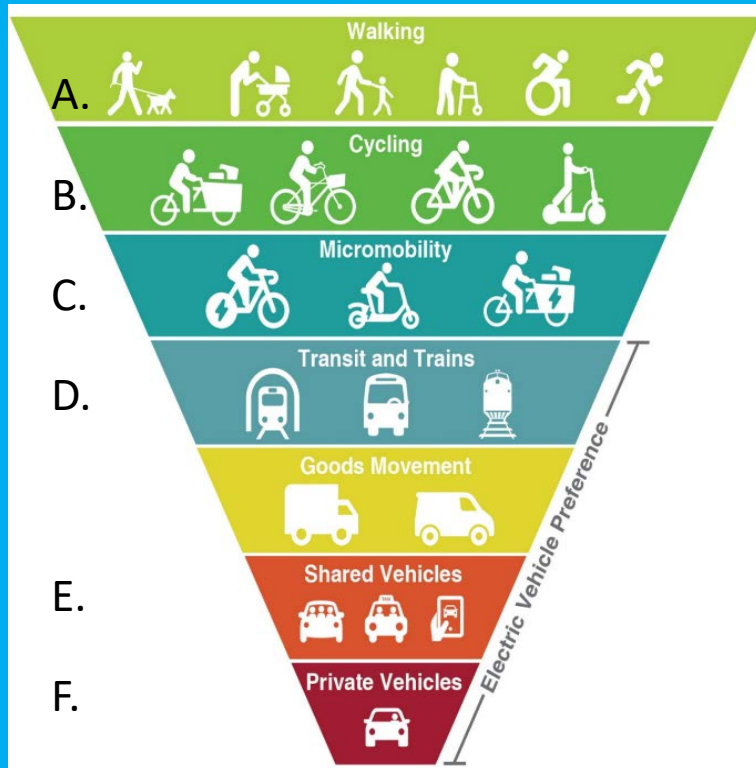
Facilitates “15- minute community” objective

Utilizing the mobility hierarchy - city planning needs to consider how accessible services and amenities are through various modes of travel.



Poll #2:

Modes of travel 20 years from now...?



20 years from now, how will you travel in the City?

- A. Walking
- B. Cycling
- C. Micromobility (electrified)
- D. Transit
- E. Shared Vehicle
- F. Private Vehicle

(Choose all that would apply.)

Update policies related to key directions supporting:

Affordable Housing



Climate Change



Sustainable Development



Infrastructure Alignment



Park Typologies



Urban Design



... to ensure that new development contributes social, economic and environmental co-benefits to the broader community.

Affordable Housing policy updates:

Affordable Housing



Incorporate recommendations from the Affordable Housing Strategy:

- Prohibit the demolition/conversion of existing purpose-built rental buildings
- Require a minimum of 5% of new units in high-density buildings to provide 3 or more bedrooms
- Encourage surplus public lands to be used to create affordable housing or purpose-built rental housing, where appropriate

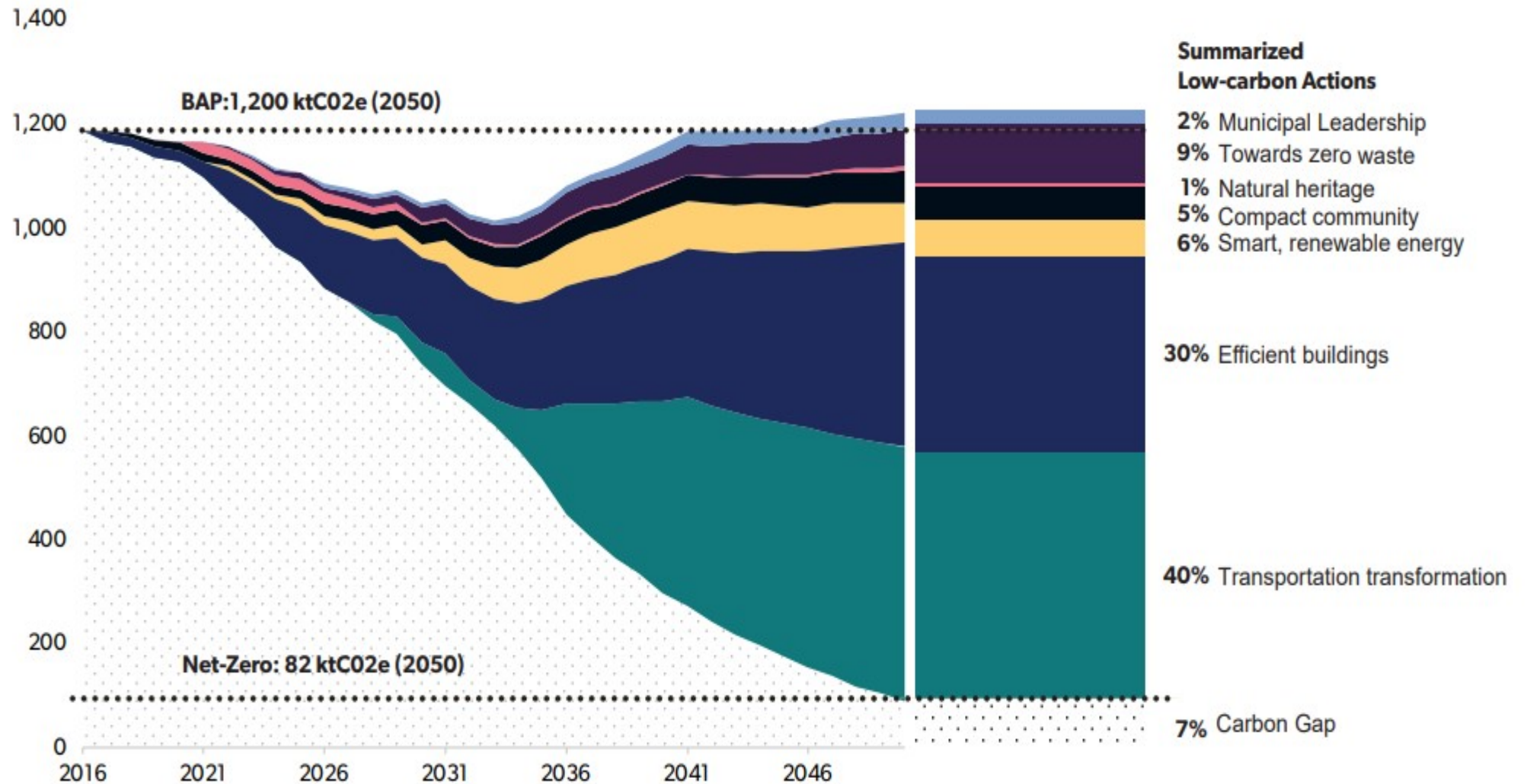
Climate Change policy updates:

Climate
Change



- Add/update targets:
 - Net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050
 - Increase forest canopy target from 25% to 30% by 2041
 - Increase woodland cover to 15% by 2041

Update supporting policies to implement CEEP actions.



Sustainable Development policy updates

Sustainable Development



- Promote use/creation of renewable energy facilities, especially within Centres and Corridors and Employment areas.
- Strengthen language surrounding urban agriculture
 - Permit community gardens, rooftop gardens, vertical agriculture
- Reduce specificity in existing policies with respect to sustainable design measures, by deferring to City's Sustainability Assessment Tool and Standards and Specifications manual for guidance.
- Identify the Sustainability Assessment Tool as one of the possible complete application requirements for new development.

Infrastructure Alignment policy updates

Infrastructure Alignment



- Add new policy to align development approvals with capital plans and/or Development Charges Background Study
- Update Master Environmental Services Plan (MESP) policies to reflect City-wide Urban MESP
- Allow for stratification of public roads under certain circumstances/conditions within Centres and Corridors

Park related policy updates :

Park Typologies



Recognize:

- Destination Parks
- Urban Plazas



Urban Design policy updates

Urban Design

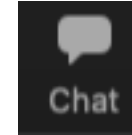


- Enhance policies on public realm
- Modify policies to aid in implementation



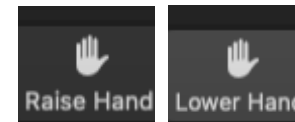
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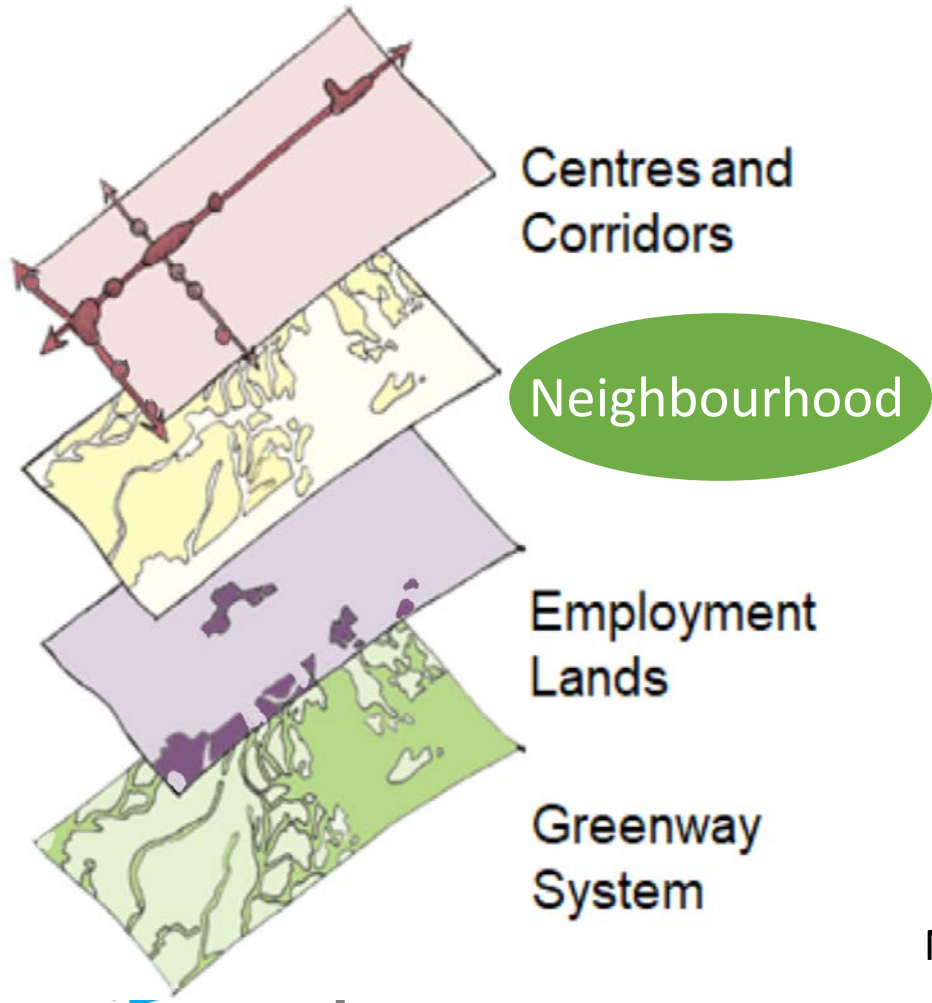


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OPA 18.4 Neighbourhoods

Presented by: Brian DeFreitas

OPA 18.4 Neighbourhoods - Objective



- Update Neighbourhood policies to facilitate development of “15 minute” complete communities and permit “gentle density” within the Neighbourhood designation, where appropriate, and
- Preserve and enhance distinguishing features of Neighbourhoods.

Note: Implements 3 Key Directions related to: Urban Structure, Employment, and Technical.

“15-minute” Community

Objective:

To provide access to a variety of amenities, services, places, features and functions within a 15-minute walk (or a 5 minute bike ride) from your home.



Source: Paris En Commun

Broaden permissions to support “work from neighbourhood” and “gentle density” to create “15-minute communities.”

Home Occupations



Within any dwelling and subject to all municipal by-laws

Live-Work Units



Neighbourhood Commercial



Community Uses



Relax locational criteria

Along Arterial Streets

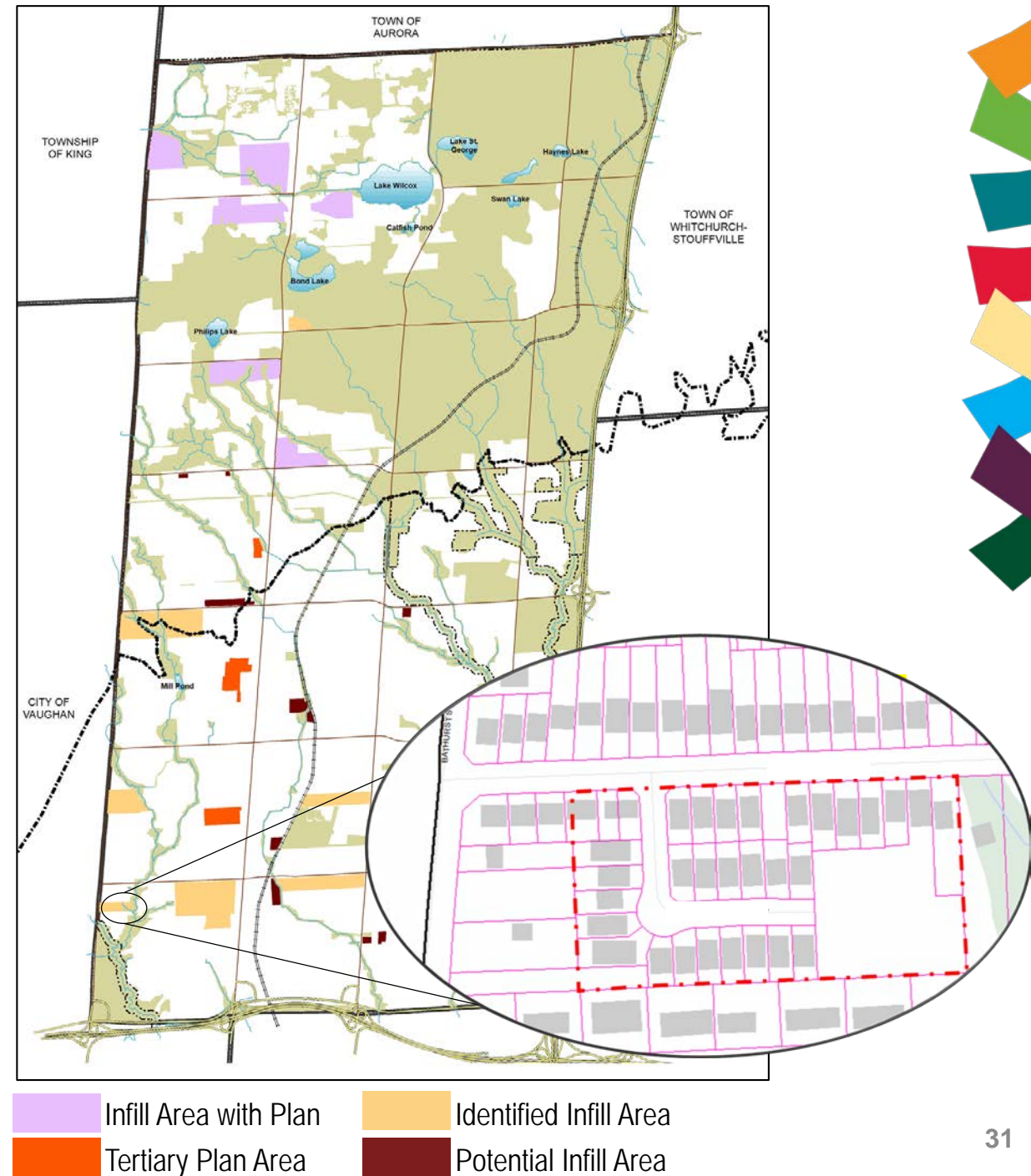
Facilitate development of broader range of housing types through “gentle density”



... to support aging in place, provide affordable housing, create work from neighbourhoods, and build 15-minute community.

Support “gentle density” in Priority Infill areas

- Support gentle density, through infill lot creation in areas well suited for it;
- Add new Appendix, to replace long text description of infill areas, and recognize tertiary plans that have been approved by Council since 2010;
- Identify new priority infill areas related to sites that have development potential and/or were once industrial and converted to Neighbourhood via 2010 OP.



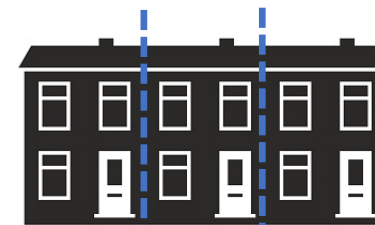
Relax permission for Medium Density Residential within Neighbourhoods

Periphery/Edges:

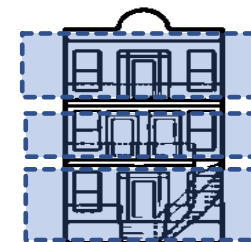
- On arterial streets

Interior:

- On collector streets near a transit stop, where **supported by a concept plan**;
- On local streets, in proximity to existing medium/high density, and/or **abutting a Centre/Corridor Designation where supported by concept plan**; and/or
- Where previously supported in an infill study or tertiary/**concept plan**.



Town/Stacked/Row House
(multiple attached units with
separate at-grade entrances)



Triplex (3 units with at-
grade entrance)



Walk-up Apartment (Multi-unit
with single at-grade entrance)

Examples of medium density residential within Neighbourhoods



Example 1: On arterial streets



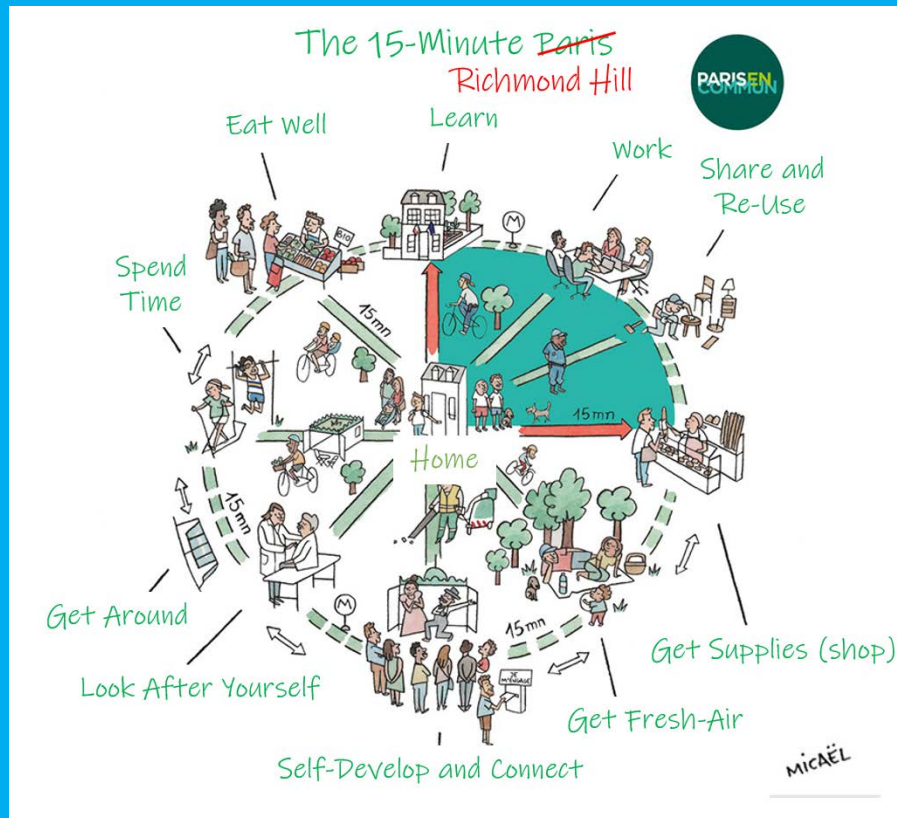
Example 2: On local streets, in proximity to existing medium/high density



Example 3: Abutting Centre/Corridor Designation (Proposed)

Poll #3:

“15-minute community”



3 a. How important is it to live in a “15-minute community”?

- A. Very important
- B. Important
- C. Somewhat Important
- D. Not at all important

3 b. Do you feel that your current community offers sufficient amenities, services, etc. within a 15 minute walk of where you live?

- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. Unsure

Recognize Character and Distinguishing Features

“Character”

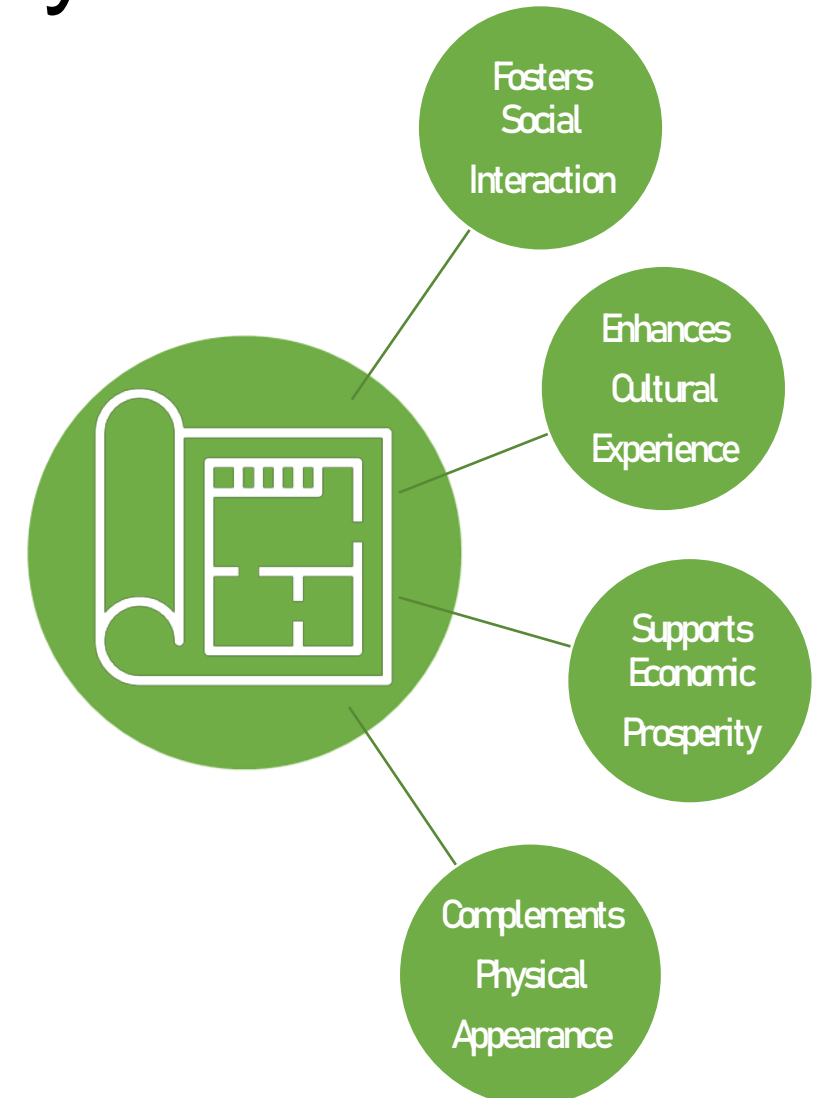


Recognize that the new development can complement existing community character.

Development that proposes significant change in terms of land use and/or building type may be required to **identify distinguishing features** of the community, and demonstrate how the proposed new development may contribute to enhancing the community.

The determination of distinguishing features could take into consideration **physical, social, cultural and economic qualities** of the site and surrounding area.

This approach responds to changing lifestyles in our communities, and supports Council priorities regarding diversity and inclusion.



Direct new development to complement and enhance community character and distinguishing features.

Relationship to public buildings and parks, and patterns of streets, blocks, and lanes



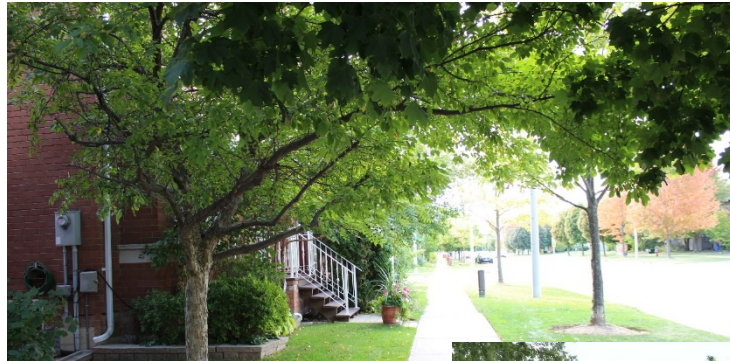
Height, massing, scale, density and dwelling types of nearby properties;



Size and configuration of lots;



Setbacks, and patterns of front, rear and side yards;
Mature trees and landscaping



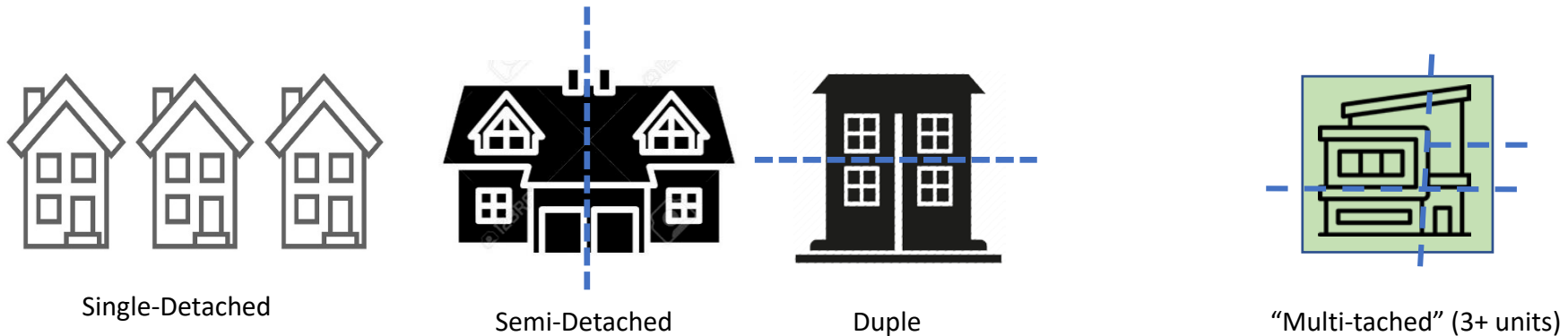
Location, design and elevations;



Conservation of heritage buildings, structures and landscapes.

Support provision of “missing middle housing”

- Continue to permit Low Density Residential (e.g. singles, semis, duplexes) anywhere in Neighbourhoods;
- Implement the goals of the Council endorsed *Affordable Housing Strategy* by introducing new OP permissions to enable “multi-tached” dwellings;



“Multi-tached” dwellings

- Multi-unit building typically containing 3 or more dwelling units, and
- Located on existing single/semi-detached dwelling lots, and comply with all existing height and setback limits associated with a single/semi-detached dwelling.



Source: City of Ottawa

Builds on City's "Additional Residential Unit" permission. Benefits of multi-tached include:



Owners get income that help pay their mortgage, while renters find affordable housing



More **housing options** allow people to stay in their neighbourhoods over all stages of their lives



More **efficient use** of city infrastructure like schools and water / sewer

Permit “Multi-tached” dwellings - OPTIONS

WHAT?

New



Source: Ontario Association of Architects, Housing Affordability in Growing Urban Areas, 2019
Location: Winnipeg

AND/ OR

Conversion

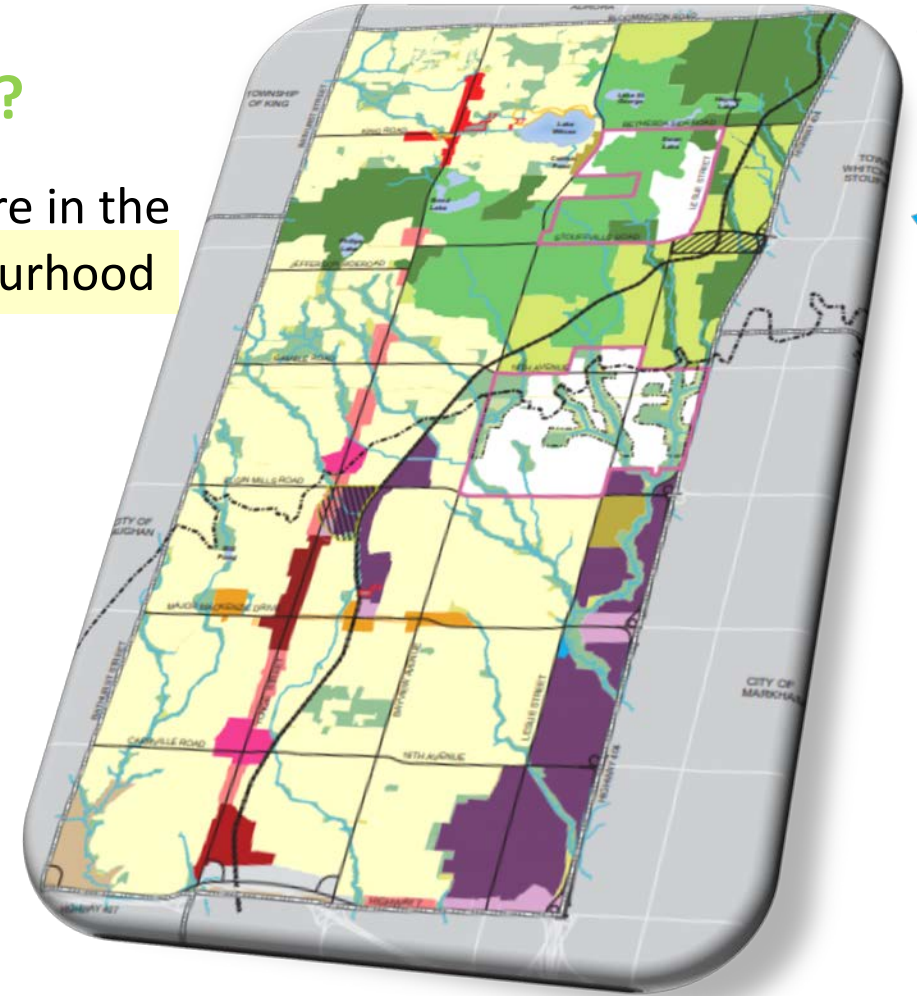


Source: Realtor.ca
Location: Toronto

WHERE?

Anywhere in the
Neighbourhood

OR



Select locations in the Neighbourhood
determined though consultation

Share your thoughts...

Options for multi-tached housing :

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
WHAT?	Conversion Only	Conversion Only	New and Conversion	New and Conversion
WHERE?	Anywhere	In select areas	Anywhere	In select areas

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New



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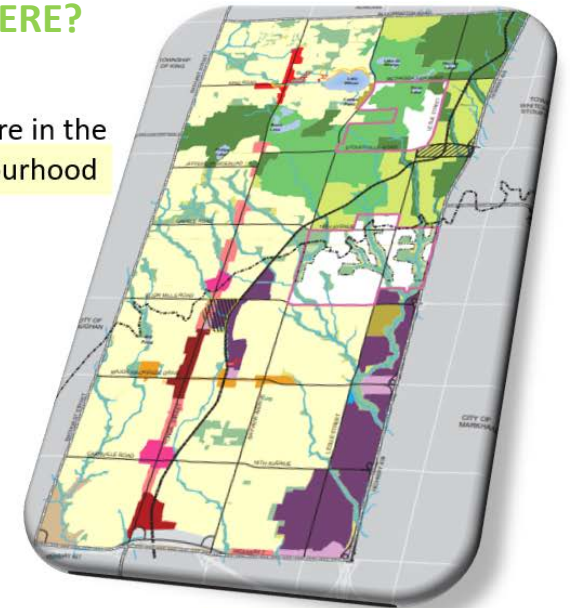
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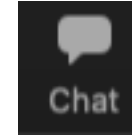
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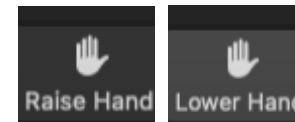
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Email your **questions** to OPUpdate@Richmondhill.ca



Attend future meetings.



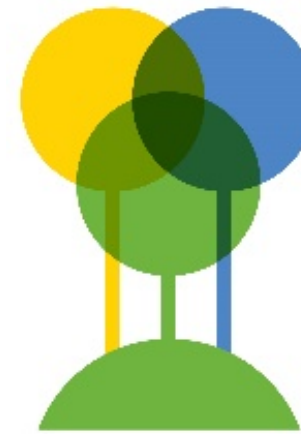
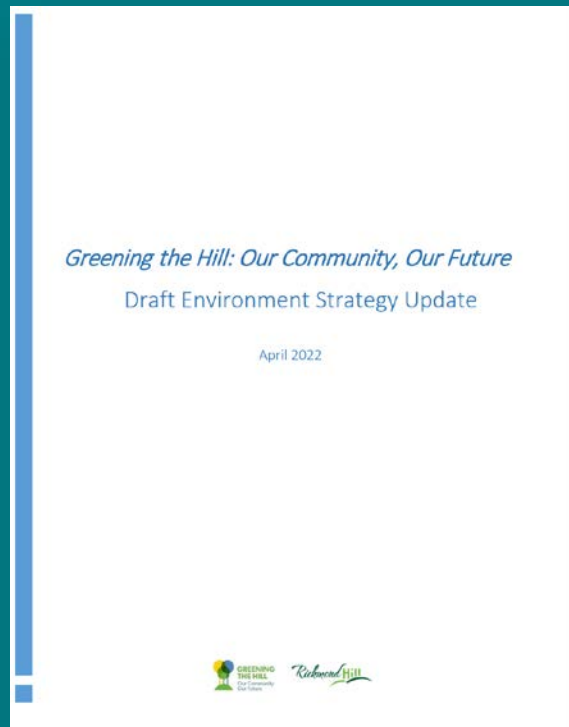
Discuss issues and concerns with staff, your Regional and Local representatives, as well as your colleagues and neighbours.



Make oral/written submissions at Council meetings.

Visit: Richmondhill.ca/OPUpdate

Other related Public Engagement



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- Share your comments on the **Draft Environment Strategy** by May 4, 2022
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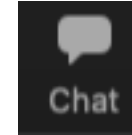
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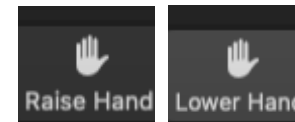
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