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Other Important Amendments to the Official Plan & Directions to Staff that we Supported

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-5. [m14.1]

Moved by Councillor Brockington

WHEREAS the report for the New Official Plan (ACS2021-PIE-EDP-0036) presents the details of the new Official Plan Volume 1 and Volume 2 (Secondary Plans and Area-Specific Policies), as well as supporting documents and annexes, with the objective to guide planning for the city's growth and redevelopment over the next 25 years; and

WHEREAS the New Official Plan Section 6.2 introduces policies for the Corridor designation, that includes Mainstreet and Minor Corridors; and

WHEREAS the Corridor designation applies to bands of land along specified streets whose planned function combines a higher density of development, a greater degree of mixed uses and a higher level of street transit service than abutting Neighbourhoods; and

WHEREAS residents raised concerns over the density and height of Minor Corridors, which ranged up to 6-storeys in certain Transects, and the potential impact on their neighbourhoods; and

WHEREAS Staff had intended for the possibility of 5- and 6-storey buildings to be only be considered under specific conditions and subject to a rezoning, rather than as-of-right, but understand the concerns expressed by many neighbourhoods about having this policy applied broadly, and

WHEREAS Staff believe that corridor-specific studies could in the future revisit the notion if there is enough demand;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Joint Committee recommend Council direct Staff to modify the New Official Plan to remove the policies that allow for consideration of 5- or 6-storey buildings on Minor Corridors without an Official Plan Amendment process.

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-6. [m63.1]

Moved by Councillor Leiper



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WHEREAS for Minor Corridors located within the Inner Urban Transect, the Draft Official Plan proposes in section 5.2.3(3)(b) that:

“Where the Zoning By-law permits a Low-rise building, an amendment to this Plan shall not be required to consider a building of 5 or 6 storeys”; and,

WHEREAS the appropriate heights for specific minor corridors will be established in the comprehensive zoning by-law review to come; and,

WHEREAS six storeys is not an appropriate default maximum height in all circumstances and the Official Plan should not establish that in all circumstances;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that section 5.2.3(3)(b) be deleted from the Official Plan.

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-7. [m62.2]

Moved by Councillor Leiper

WHEREAS the draft Official Plan in section 5.6.1.1 (3)(a) proposes for the Emerging Overlay that

“The City will be supportive of applications for low-rise intensification that seek to move beyond the development standards of the underlying zone where the proposal demonstrates that the development achieves objectives of the applicable transect with regards to density, built form and site design in keeping with the intent of Sections 3 and 5 of this Plan.”; and

WHEREAS the purpose of the comprehensive zoning by-law review that will undertaken after the passage is to establish zoning that accomplishes the intent of this Plan; and

Whereas this work has been undertaken in part through recent zoning studies in some areas that have established limits on low-rise intensification in keeping with the anticipated direction of this plan; and



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WHEREAS this clause would compromise those limits by establishing as *de facto* consistent with the Plan buildings of greater density and height where those also achieve other subjective criteria;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Section 5.6.1.1(3)(a) be deleted and replaced with following:

“Where the Zoning By-law for an area has not been updated either before adoption of this Plan in anticipation of this Plan’s policy direction, or post adoption of this Plan, to be consistent with the policy intent of this Plan, the City will generally be supportive of applications for low-rise intensification that seek to amend the development standards of the underlying zone where the proposal demonstrates that the development achieves objectives of the applicable transect with regards to density, built form and site design in keeping with the intent of Sections 3 and 5 of this Plan.”

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-15 [m39.1]

Moved by Councillor J. Leiper (on behalf of Councillor C. McKenney)

WHEREAS the report for the New Official Plan (ACS2021-PIE-EDP-0036) presents the details of the new Official Plan Volume 1 and Volume 2 (Secondary Plans and Area-Specific Policies), as well as supporting documents and annexes, with the objective to guide planning for the city’s growth and redevelopment over the next 25 years; and

WHEREAS significant intensification is expected in the neighbourhoods covered by the Central and East Downtown Core Secondary Plan (CEDCSP); and

WHEREAS architecture and thoughtful urban design are all vital considerations to complement and integrate new development within the existing communities;

WHEREAS the Urban Design Review Panel (UDRP) is an independent advisory panel of volunteer professionals who provide an objective peer



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review of development projects throughout the City's Design Priority Areas, and is intended to enhance the City's capabilities in achieving architectural and urban design excellence.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLED that Joint Committee recommend Council modify the CEDCSP so that all Official Plan Amendments, Zoning By-law Amendments, and Site Plan Control applications associated with mid-rise, high-rise, and high-rise 41+ buildings within the boundaries of the Secondary Plan be required to be reviewed by the UDRP until the completion of an updated UDRP Terms of Reference which may provide more specific guidance on the role of the Panel in this area; and that the below text be added to the CEDCSP:

"3.5 Urban Design

27) Official Plan Amendments, Zoning By-law Amendments, and Site Plan Control applications associated with mid-rise, high-rise, and high-rise 41+ buildings within the boundaries of the Secondary Plan will be reviewed by the UDRP until the completion of an updated UDRP Terms of Reference which may provide more specific guidance on the role of the Panel in this area."

CARRIED

DIRECTION TO STAFF [d1.1]

Councillor Leiper, on behalf of Councillor McKenney

That Joint Committee direct staff to study, post-Official Plan, small closures of parts of streets and lanes as part of the development of a Public Realm Master Plan with the aim of creating more public realm space to make up for a potential lack of amenities in areas planned for higher rates of intensification, including but not limited to Hubs, Corridors and residential Neighbourhoods within a short walking distance of those Hubs and Corridors (examples: Arthur Street and Flora Street (at Bank Street)).

CARRIED

DIRECTION TO STAFF [d13.1]

Councillor Dudas



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That the Joint Committee direct Staff to investigate the cost, feasibility and staff resources to develop an accessible, easy to use, publicly available tracking tool on Ottawa.ca that provides transparency regarding the City's performance in achieving the goals set out in the OP, as part of the Official Plan Monitoring report that will follow the approval of the Official Plan.

CARRIED

DIRECTION TO STAFF [d16.1]

Councillor Leiper on behalf of Councillor C. McKenney

Further to proposed additional policy 4.5.2 (2) which requires a Heritage Impact Assessment for development or heritage applications on or adjacent to a protected heritage property where there is the potential for adverse impact on the heritage resource, that Joint Committee direct that staff, through the upcoming updates to the "A Guide to Preparing Cultural Heritage Impact Statements", provide clarity on:

- **How the potential for adverse impact on a heritage resource is determined.**
- **The types of impacts that may be considered adverse.**

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-21 [m17.1]

Moved by Councillor Brockington

WHEREAS the report for the New Official Plan (ACS2021-PIE-EDP-0036) presents the details of the new Official Plan Volume 1 and Volume 2 (Secondary Plans and Area-Specific Policies), as well as supporting documents and annexes, with the objective to guide planning for the city's growth and redevelopment over the next 25 years; and

WHEREAS Policies 4.8.2(2) and 4.8.3(3) in the New Official Plan propose targets for urban forest canopy cover and access to urban greenspace; and



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WHEREAS a detailed plan is required to describe how these targets will be achieved;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Joint Committee recommend Council direct Staff to include in the revision of the Greenspace and Urban Forest Master Plan, details on how the targets for the urban tree canopy and urban greenspace in Policy 4.8.2(2) and Policy 4.8.3(2) will be achieved, including:

- a) **Sub-targets for the urban tree canopy;**
- b) **The identification of residential areas that do not meet the urban tree canopy and greenspace targets;**
- c) **Strategies and actions to achieve the targets;**
- d) **A monitoring and reporting plan.**

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-24 [m33.1]

Moved by Councillor Leiper

WHEREAS Table 6 of Section 5 of the Draft Official Plan identifies as a general characteristic of an “urban form” such elements as “shallow front yard setbacks and in some cases zero front yards, with an emphasis on built-form relationship with the public realm”; and

Whereas the new Official Plan maps the city by Transects that generally correspond to urbanization patterns, built form context and era of development; and

WHEREAS Section 4.8.2(3) of the Draft Official Plan identifies that growth, development and intensification shall protect or enhance the urban forest canopy and preserve and provide space for mature, healthy trees on private and public property, including the provision of adequate volumes of high-quality soil, and further that trees are an important element of good urban design; and

WHEREAS Section 6.3.2(2) requires the Zoning By-law to have regard to Transect and Overlay policies when establishing development standards such as front yard setbacks for matters including appropriate interfaces



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with the public realm, including features that occupy both public and private land such as trees; and

WHEREAS concerns have been expressed that development may consider Table 6 as support for reduction in front yard setbacks without regard for the provision of trees on private or public lands, and that the new Zoning By-law may, when providing for “urban character” within neighbourhoods in the inner-urban transect as required by policy 6.3.2(3)(b), reduce front yard setbacks in neighbourhoods;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Joint Committee recommend Council that, when considering a reduction in front yard setbacks commensurate with Table 6, staff responsible for development of the new Zoning By-law be directed to take into consideration the quality of the adjacent public realm including availability of soil volume and opportunity for street trees, availability of walkable infrastructure including sidewalks, and work in coordination with other City departments with respect to modifications to the public realm to support livable neighbourhoods and maintain opportunity for tree planting on private property where the public realm cannot so accommodate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to such modifications to the right-of-way, staff have regard for quality of the public realm and promotion of a livable and walkable street network consistent with Official Plan policy when considering an application for site-specific amendment or variance to front yard setbacks.

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-28 [m81.1]

Moved by Co-Chair S. Moffatt (for Councillor R. King)

WHEREAS modelling and modern analytical tools can be leveraged to simulate and project intensification;

WHEREAS modeling can provide numerical projections of anticipated new housing under various regulatory and policy regimes, including projections of unit sizes/ types/tenures, small business development at walking distance from homes, active vs car-centric lifestyles, resulting emissions reductions, tree canopy, net City costs or savings, and comparisons with targets;



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WHEREAS 3D visualizations can illustrate the implications of proposed built form, and support community engagement;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Joint Committee recommend that staff develop a “digital twin” geospatial model to support city building initiatives, including the forthcoming new Zoning By-law, and work towards implementing greater visual and numerical modelling techniques in the assessment of proposed land development projects, subject to future workplans.

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-29 [m82.1]

Moved by / Motion de: Councillor Menard (for Councillor King)

WHEREAS simple, collaborative, neighbourhood-level planning builds residents' confidence and trust in the development planning process; and

WHEREAS the residents are an important part of the conversation to identify desirable forms and features for missing middle multi-unit infill housing, to build support for neighbourhood transition, and to identify or locate new walkable shopping destinations and other key transitional features; and

WHEREAS resident informed Local Plans can determine ideal locations for future shopping walking destinations (“Local Commercial Destinations”), ideal locations for new parkettes, park upgrades and benches, ideal programs/uses for park upgrades/acquisitions, preferred tree planting, and potential improvements to neighbourhood walkability, bikeability and overall completeness; and

WHEREAS Local Plans can be used to guide zoning that locates residential and local commercial uses in neighbourhoods, provide input for infrastructure upgrade planning, provide input for municipal upgrades to recreation and social facilities, provide input for parks planning and for tree planting; and

WHEREAS Planning Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) currently undertakes extensive public engagement, beyond the *Planning Act* and corporate guidelines, working collaboratively with residents to



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develop Local Plans and where feasible, address specific and unique community needs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Joint Committee recommend Council direct staff, following the adoption of the Official Plan, to review and enhance community engagement practices and procedures, and that this work be added as an item for future PIED departmental workplan.

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-32 [m8.2]

Moved by Co-Chair Gower on behalf of Councillor King

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has an Equity and Inclusion Lens that was developed in 2010 collaboratively with the City for All Women Initiative (CAWI); and

WHEREAS the Equity and Inclusion Lens emphasizes the importance of recognizing inequalities in social and built environments and working to address these issues based on gender, race, income and ability through an intersectional lens; and

WHEREAS the Equity and Inclusion Lens is intended to influence all City policy and program development, and specifically, to incorporate diverse lived experiences and to remove systemic barriers for equity-deserving groups in order to achieve equality of outcomes and inclusion; and

WHEREAS the Neighbourhood Equity Index indicates that numerous census tracts face significant disadvantages when it comes to social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS Indigenous communities seek prosperity that is characterized by economic and social wellbeing, inclusion and self determination which were eroded through historical and ongoing colonization; and



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WHEREAS the Ottawa Neighbourhood Study indicates that Ottawa has eighteen neighbourhoods where the rate of low-income residents exceeds one in five (20%) residents; and

WHEREAS the Ottawa Neighbourhood Study identifies twenty-one neighbourhoods in highest need due to low incomes; high unemployment; low education levels; and a lack of adequate, suitable and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS the City's first Women and Gender Equity Strategy, developed under the leadership of Councillor Kavanagh as Council Liaison for Women and Gender Equity, was approved by Council on April 14, 2021, and commits the City to integrate a gender lens in all City policy and program development, and specifically, to follow an intersectional approach to capture the overlapping social identities of women and gender diverse persons; and

WHEREAS diversity, equity and inclusion are critical issues in every neighbourhood in the city and need to be addressed in a holistic manner instead of through ad-hoc approaches; to eradicate disproportionately and disparity of marginalization among equity deserving groups; and

WHEREAS in November 2019 a proposal by Rideau-Rockcliffe Councillor Rawlson King to establish an Anti-Racism Secretariat at the City of Ottawa was accepted and adopted in the City's 2020 budget; and

WHEREAS the Secretariat will target systemic racism by adopting an anti-racism and anti-discrimination lens in the way the City develops policies, makes decisions, evaluates programs and monitors outcomes; and

WHEREAS Council approved appointing Rideau-Rockcliffe Councillor Rawlson King as Council Liaison for Anti-Racism and Ethnocultural Relations Initiatives on June 2, 2020; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Joint Committee recommend Council commit the City of Ottawa to tenets of social equity, defined as the fair, just and equitable management of all institutions serving the public directly, and the fair and equitable distribution of public services



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and implementation of public policy, and the commitment to promote fairness, justice, and equity in the formation of public policy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT as the City continues to use the 5 Big Moves to guide further planning efforts, those efforts will be reviewed using the Equity and Inclusion Lens to advance the City's racial, cultural, economic and gender diversity. The City will review potential data sources, such as the Neighbourhood Equity Index, for the feasibility of identifying suitable indicator; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Section 2.2.5 be renamed "Gender and Racial Equity" and that Section 2.2.5 of the Official Plan be replaced with the following text:

"2.2.5 Gender and Racial Equity

Gender and Racial equity are important dimensions of planning a healthy and inclusive city. Inequalities exist and land use planning should work to eliminate them by addressing gender and racial inequities.

The intersectional way a city is experienced by women, gender diverse persons, members of Black, Indigenous, racialized and religious communities can be very different. The City will develop a toolbox to assess gender and racial equity in planning at all stages, including studies, guidelines, local plans and the processing of development applications within the context of the Planning Act.

Although the roles of women and men have changed considerably over the past decades, this is not necessarily reflected in our urban fabric. Planning processes that recognize intersectionality, or the way that people's social identities can overlap and lead to compounding experiences of discrimination can help create inclusive communities. For example, women who are immigrants may face additional barriers, such as lack of affordable housing or inhospitable pedestrian environments.

Women typically earn less relative to men, frequently handle household and care tasks, and have more complicated commute patterns.



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Systemic racism has a devastating impact when it serves to deny members of Black, Indigenous, racialized and religious communities the equal opportunity to succeed. Such racism is reflected in disparities regarding wealth, income, criminal justice, employment, housing, health care, political power, and education. It is therefore the responsibility of governments to combat the effects of systemic racism.

City-led planning initiatives should, to the greatest extent possible, include engagement with Urban Indigenous community members (First Nations, Métis and Inuit residents), Indigenous frontline and community workers, and Indigenous-led organizations, along with Leaders and Elders from the Algonquin Anishinabeg Nation.

Incorporating gender and racial equity can improve the quality of life for all residents.

Policy Intent:

1) Application of a gender lens to meet the housing needs of women, Black and racialized communities and new immigrants

In Ottawa, in 2021, 80 per cent of lone parent families are led by women, and 90 per cent of one parent families, that are on the centralized waiting list for affordable housing, are female-led families. Access to high-quality, affordable housing for Indigenous people, Black and racialized communities and new immigrants must be one of the City's highest priorities. It is therefore crucial that as the City creates plans for neighbourhoods to intensify, such plans should pursue all opportunities to create the conditions that encourage a broad range of market-affordable and core affordable housing options. Housing that supports gender equity includes housing that meets the needs of families with children, including the availability of family sized units, spaces to play, shared communal spaces within buildings, space for strollers and bike parking.

2) Understand and address the specific housing needs of Indigenous peoples



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The City needs to do more work to understand the specific needs of Indigenous peoples and work with Indigenous communities across the city to pursue all opportunities to address these needs.

3) Improve mobility options for women and in neighbourhoods where there are large numbers of residents who may face transportation-related barriers to social and economic participation

Women rely more on public transit than men. Women's routines and family work frequently include child care and care for others and their daily trip patterns are often characterized by more stops as a result. Improving transit and active transportation in neighbourhoods with strong equity concerns as identified in Ottawa's Neighbourhood Equity Index is important as residents depend on these options. Recognizing these patterns, the City should strive for a variety of housing choices, access to work opportunities and child care in areas well-served by public transit.

3) Improve access to amenities

15-minute neighbourhoods are neighbourhoods that support daily needs by providing a range of local amenities to advance more gender-equitable environments that are available on foot, by cycling, or using transit. These amenities include the provision of basic shopping, parks, libraries, recreation and other community infrastructure that are an essential support for those who frequently handle household and care tasks.

A particularly important service in supporting gender equity is child care. The built environment can support women's ability to fully participate in the workforce and in public life through the provision of adequate and accessible licensed child care centres close to where people live or work. The City should ensure that its zoning is broadly permissive of locating licensed child care.

Good planning should make a city more liveable for all, notwithstanding that the way a city is experienced can be very different across community groups. To align with the City of Ottawa's Gender Equity Strategy, and subsequent equity frameworks, planning at all stages, including zoning and transportation studies, the development of local plans and the review of development applications against the policies of the Official Plan, needs to identify and respond to the priorities, preferences and concerns of women and gender diverse persons.



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A city that is planned to consider the needs of women provides many benefits to the population as a whole. This can be achieved in the following ways:

- Recognizing Indigenous, racialized, older women, immigrant women and gender diverse persons are identified as priority populations in city-led planning initiatives;
- Embedding gender analysis in City policy plans to provide a coordinated approach to
- achieving gender equity for all, including people who are marginalized;
- Where possible, disaggregating planning data by race, gender, age, socio-economic status and other equity factors where the data is available striving to take into account all needs and experiences in planning processes;
- Actively seeking input from women and gender diverse persons, including traditionally
- underrepresented groups through all consultation processes for City planning initiatives;
- Encouraging the development of walkable, 15-minute neighbourhoods that meet the needs of all women and include community-oriented uses such as community centres, parks and libraries in accordance with overall City master plans;
- Encouraging the availability of appropriate housing in all neighbourhoods for families led by women, Gender diverse persons and communities that experience marginalization;
- Encouraging the development of a variety of building types within communities with units for a range of income levels as well as larger units to accommodate families for ownership and at all levels of market-affordable and core-affordable rents;
- Encouraging the design of buildings and site plans that are able to provide amenities that meet the needs of families with children, including convenience retail amenities, ground floor stroller and bicycle storage, children's play areas and areas for socialization;
- Using other City plans, working with senior levels of government and community partners to increase safe options for women and gender diverse persons fleeing violence including family-sized units in shelters, transitional and supportive housing;
- Providing parks where children can play in all neighbourhoods as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Facilities Master Plan and providing opportunities for recreation, leisure activities and cultural expression to meet the needs of an increased population;
- Direction for the Zoning By-law to permit spaces in all communities, including the City's newest greenfield areas, for licensed child care centres and that local plans include direction on the provision of child care facilities
- Reviewing equity considerations in the Transportation Master Plan, including:



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- Transit planning to consider women's travel patterns and recognizes that different groups of women may have different travel patterns with a priority on improving walkability and safety of walking routes;
- Improving walkability with shorter blocks, introducing sidewalks where there are none (or if sidewalks are not feasible, lowering vehicular speeds), wider sidewalks, rest areas, safe crossings and adequate space for trees. Longer blocks can create barrier effects, and to avoid them public passageways should be defined;
- Adequate lighting and increasing separated cycling facilities are built so people feel safe cycling and walking"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Official Plan be amended by adding the bolded words to the policies cited hereafter, as follows:

- a) Amend Section 2.1, Big Policy Move 3, Paragraph 1 by adding the following sentence: "**The goal of this Plan is also to contribute toward stronger, more inclusive and vibrant neighbourhoods and Villages that reflect and integrate Ottawa's economic, racial and gender diversity in every neighbourhood.**" after the sentence "The goal of this Plan is to contribute towards stronger, more inclusive and more vibrant neighbourhoods and Villages in a way that reflects the differences from highly urbanized and dense areas in the downtown, to lower-density suburban areas farther out."
- b) Amend Section 2.2.1, Policy Intent, Paragraph 1, replace the sentence "It will also contribute to the needs of an aging population by enhancing accessibility to more vibrant areas with social interaction, health services and community facilities" with the sentence "**It will also contribute to the needs of an increasingly diverse population with a range of abilities, incomes, ages and cultural needs by enhancing accessibility to more vibrant areas with social interaction, cultural organizations, health services and community facilities**";
- c) Amend Section 2.2.4, Policy Intent, Components by replacing the bullet "A mix of housing for a range of incomes" with the bullet "**A mix of housing options including family-sized units, for a range of incomes, including working with senior governments and community partners to include core-affordable housing which strives to meet the City's targets under its 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan**";
- d) Amend Section 2.2.4, Policy Intent, Components by adding to the bulleted list:
 - "Supporting housing and local amenities that meet the needs of diverse racial and cultural populations within the City;"



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff be directed to develop a toolbox, following the adoption of the Official Plan, to integrate gender, equity and inclusion issues to use in future planning efforts by the City of Ottawa

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-38 [m90.3]

Moved by Councillor Gower

WHEREAS Ottawa's Official Plan must include everything within the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) definition of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS the PPS defines low and moderate income households provides a distinction for household income calculation between ownership housing and rental housing as follows:

“a) in the case of ownership housing, households with incomes in the lowest 60 percent of the income distribution for the regional market area; or

b) in the case of rental housing, households with incomes in the lowest 60 percent of the income distribution for renter households for the regional market area.”; and

WHEREAS there is a significant difference between the median household incomes between owner households and renter households;

WHEREAS for greater clarity the PPS can be added to Section 4.2;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Joint Committee recommend Council amend the fourth paragraph to the following:

“Affordable housing is defined by the Provincial Policy Statement as the least expensive of:

- a) housing for which a low and moderate-income household pays no more than 30 per cent of the household's gross annual income for home ownership or rental housing, or
- b) a unit for which the rent is at or below the average market rent of a unit in the regional market area. Low to moderate income households are those with incomes in the lowest 60 per cent of the income distribution for the regional market area. *In the case of ownership housing, this calculation will include households with incomes in the lowest 60 percent of the income distribution; and in the case of rental housing, this calculation will*



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include households with incomes in the lowest 60 percent of the income distribution for renter households.”

CARRIED with amendment from Councillor Menard

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-49 [m55.2]

Moved by Councillor Leiper (for Councillor Fleury)

WHEREAS when public lands become surplus, they offer development or community opportunities within this city; and

WHEREAS the City has not specified its objectives for the development of these Federal, Provincial, Crown Corporation and City public lands, as the objectives are determined on a case-by-case basis when lands become available; and

WHEREAS these lands should be considered through a community development objective, considering type of use and redevelopment; and

WHEREAS the City recognizes a need for affordable rental housing apartments within a community; and

WHEREAS the vacancy rate has been under three per cent over the last decade; and

WHEREAS the City has a unique opportunity for the development of publicly owned land to consider their contribution to a 15-minute neighbourhood objective; and

WHEREAS there are examples, such as the community-driven success of Rideau High School's transition into a community hub which demonstrate not only the need but also highlight that the City should and could play a role in future public vacant lands; and

WHEREAS the City has approved the Parks and Recreation Facility Master Plan, which will be annex to Official Plan, that directs staff to develop a Land First Policy, a Targeted Parkland Acquisition Strategy and a Parkland and Recreational Facility Funding Policy that addresses surplus municipal properties;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Joint Committee recommend Council direct Staff to develop, as a future departmental workplan item after adoption of the new Official Plan, and in coordination with the



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Parks and Recreational Facilities Master Plan, a Public Lands Strategy, which will establish a municipal objectives framework for public land owners are clear on the City of Ottawa's public land redevelopment/development objectives when lands are no longer needed for the public purpose they were originally used for; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this framework be a guiding principle for the City's objectives on planning for redevelopment, targeted community benefits and potential acquisitions of all surplus public lands within Ottawa, including:

- i. all federal properties opportunity in the Capital;
- ii. unused transportation corridors held by the Province;
- iii. surplus lands from school boards and the City lands including those near LRT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this framework be guided by the objectives of the Official Plan including goals of a 15-minute neighbourhoods; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these objectives include the consideration of community spaces and uses, range of housing types including rental and affordable options, green buildings standards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City further ask for first right of refusal on schools that have been closed and are on circulation for reuse or sale to increase recreation, sport, leisure and art, and other community uses such as social enterprise spaces where financial resources are available.

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-51 [d22.1]

Councillor Menard (for Councillor King)

That Staff be directed, modify the New Official Plan by including added concepts of protection, preservation, and restoration of existing water resources, as follows:

- a. Amend Section 3.2 on P 46 to read:

- 4) Intensification is permitted in all designations where development is permitted taking into account whether the site has



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municipal water and sewer services. This Plan supports intensification and the approval of applications for intensification shall be in conformity with transect and overlay policies as applicable. **When reviewing planning applications for intensification, the City shall ensure that surface water and groundwater resources are protected, particularly where the groundwater resource is used for drinking water.**

b. Amend Section 3.2 on P 51 to read:

17) To implement the density targets and requirements, the City shall consider the application of a number of alternative measures to provide water, wastewater and stormwater capacity, including risk management and/or infrastructure system upgrades in conjunction with its Asset Management Strategy and other City programs where opportunities for intensification are limited because of the cumulative impact of intensification projects on infrastructure system capacity. **In implementing density targets, the City shall ensure that surface water and groundwater resources are protected.**

c. Amend Section 4.9.1 on page 115 to add the following policy:

5) Where no watershed or subwatershed plans exist, the City shall otherwise ensure that the quality and quantity of surface water and groundwater features are protected or improved in accordance with site-specific studies and the City's groundwater management programs.

CARRIED

DIRECTION TO STAFF [d12.2]

Councillor Menard (for Councillor King)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Joint Committee recommend Council direct Staff, as part of the development of the new Official Plan Monitoring report, to consider developing a measurement framework based upon the Big 5 Move goals and major key objectives enumerated in the Official Plan



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and that and that the Monitoring Report consider and make recommendations on regular reporting to Council on progress.

CARRIED

Motion N° PLC-ARAC 2021-5-63 [d25.1]

Moved by Councillor Leiper (for Councillor McKenney)

That staff work with Ottawa Community Housing and other local affordable housing sector partners to develop a projection of the land supply needed to deeply affordable housing and below market housing to meet the City's core-housing requirements, and identify potential opportunities to secure additional lands in major infill projects and in greenfield areas.

CARRIED