



September 17, 2024



How did we get here?

 August 2020 – Alternative Housing Proposal for Churchill Park Report 20-197(CD)

 April 2021 – Affordable Rental Housing – City Owned Land Report 21-018(CD)

Short list of City Owned Land

Property analysis

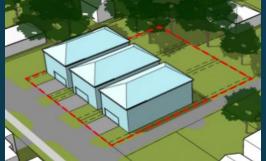
July 4, 2024 Council Workshop

Property Analysis

- Identify Official Plan Designation and existing Zoning
- Identify options based on Low, Medium and High densities
- Refine options based on site constraints and current best practices

Forming Recommendations

- Assess viability of options for each site
- Review options in context:
 - Surrounding land uses
 - Missing Middle
 - Housing Pledge
 - Access to transit/services
- Formulate Planning Opinion









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2 storeys – 3 units

3 storeys – 7 Townhouse Units

4 storeys – 14 Stacked Townhouse Units

3 storeys – 24 Apartment Units

10 Ethel Street

Justification

- A higher density is proposed in order to produce affordable housing faster.
- The character of the neighborhood is maintained by proposing stacked town houses.
- The proposed development can be up to 4 storeys tall which gently intensifies the neighborhood without hampering the low density – low rise character of the surrounding houses.
- The proposed development of town houses will have comparatively smaller unit sizes offering the missing middle houses for affordable rates and shrinking or aging family sizes.
- Franklin Boulevard is part of the future Regional transit network expansion and initiating gentle densification of this area will help to optimize transit usage in the future.







Justification

- The subject lands are surrounded by stacked town houses and multi-unit buildings.
- A three storey structure blends well with the surrounding characteristics of the neighborhood while gently intensifying the area.
- The site is located closer to the Regional transit route, proposing affordable housing will optimize the Region's resources, while offering affordable and connected housing.



4 storeys – 16 Stacked Townhouse Units

> 3 storeys – 24 Apartment Units







3 storeys – 16 Townhouse Units



4 storeys – 48-50 Apartment Units

0 Grand Ridge Drive

Justification

- The subject lands surrounded by mostly one to two storey single detached units.
- The proposed low rise apartment building will offer a mix of unit sizes for different families and their changing requirements over time.
- The proposed structure will act as a buffer from the adjacent regional road.







5 storeys – 253 Apartment Units



9 storeys – 276 Apartment Units



9 and 7 storeys – 360 Apartment Units

25 Chalmers Street

Justification

- This is the largest lot size in the considered municipal lands and has the highest potential to generate affordable housing.
- The existing community services and facilities make this site desirable for development of affordable housing units.
- A high-density development will be supported by the existing infrastructure and community facilities and in return support the sustenance of these facilities.
- Adjacent plots are zoned for moderate density developments (RM3 and RM4), which will act as transitioning structures for the high density proposed development here.





0 Dando Avenue

Area: 3,562 sq m (0.66 acres, 0.27 ha)

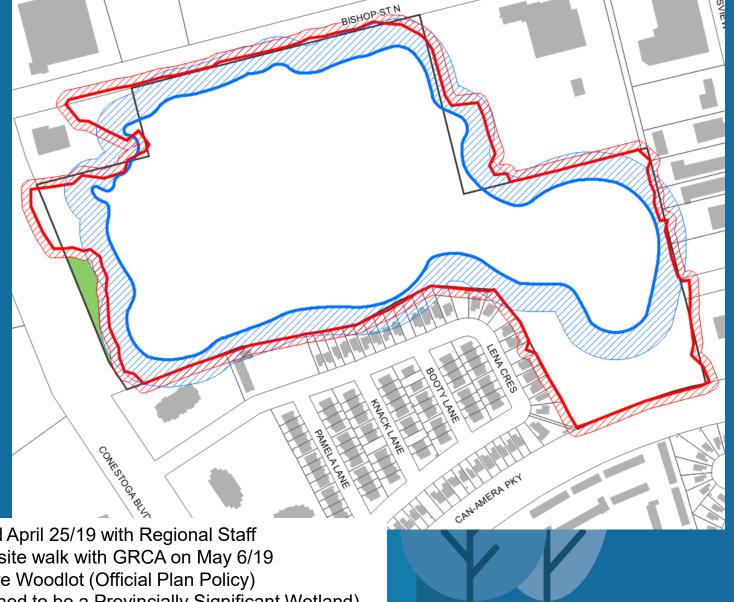
Zone: R4 (permits single detached houses)

Current Use: Vacant lot with trees, a nature trail

passes through the site.



O Bishop Street North



Regional Core Environmental Feature Woodlot – staked April 25/19 with Regional Staff Approximate wetland limit based on presence/absence site walk with GRCA on May 6/19 10 metre buffer on Regional Core Environmental Feature Woodlot (Official Plan Policy) 30 metre buffer on approximate wetland limit (if determined to be a Provincially Significant Wetland) Portion of the site outside of the Core Environmental Feature and associated buffers (0.15 ha)

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Next Steps

Recommendation Report

- 1. Recommendation for which concepts on what properties
- 2. initiate OPAs ZBAs

Public meetings on proposed Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendments

Recommendation Report(s)

- 1. Summarize public feedback
- 2. Recommendations with final Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments.

Council Decision on Next Steps for Land including:

- 1. Form of disposition of land (sale, lease, land lease etc.); and
- 2. Conditions on type of construction including amenities.



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