

Norval Secondary Plan approval delayed for 'second sober thought'

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An updated Secondary Plan for Norval was endorsed by Halton Hills council members Monday evening, but the public still has time to comment before it's official.

The plan recognizes existing automotive uses in the hamlet; features updated transportation policies, a reduced size of the Hamlet Community Core Area designation and introduces a

Hamlet Residential Office area designation on King, Green and Adamson N. streets.

Other highlights are:

- new commercial uses are capped at 250 sq. m.
- existing commercial uses may expand to 500 sq. m.
- updated floodplain mapping from CVC places a larger area of the hamlet in the floodplain.
- updated and strengthened hamlet design and heritage protection guidelines to

preserve and enhance character of the hamlet

- updated environmental protection policies to reflect regional policies and guidelines.

- a tree preservation plan required for new development.

There are two deferrals to the plan— one at 16 Adamson St. N., which has been appealed to the OMB, and another on Louisa St. where the owner wants to build a home on vacant property.

Kathy Gastle, president of the Norval Community Association, said at the Council meeting that about 220 people participated in the Norval Secondary Plan review over the past two years.

"As the community of Norval celebrates over 40 years of continuous dedicated volunteerism for the betterment of our community it is fitting that plans be developed that meet the needs of not just the citizens of today, but future citizens," said Gastle. "We

have had a healthy diversity of ideas and opinions but we share the common goal; to provide the best solutions to combat problems in the future."

Gastle said the urban separators are going to be of "great importance to the protection of Norval's natural features and community character as transportation projects and residential development move forward."

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