Town alters development conditions for Dominion Gardens land

Talton Hills council recently made some Lchanges to the requirements Parallax Land Corporation, the company planning to develop the Dominion Gardens property, must meet including the deletion of land for a fire station on the site.

Halton Hills Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson said the changes made were done to establish the town's position before the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearing—set to begin at 10 a.m. Monday (April 26)— dealing with Para-llax's appeal of some of the conditions of the subdivision's draft plan.

Serjeantson said the land for the fire station isn't needed because a report from the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office recommends the town continue to use the fire station on Maple Ave. and build another one in Georgetown South to better serve that area and the Hwy. 401 corridor.

Parallax filed an appeal with the OMB on several conditions earlier this year.

Points of contention include: the amount of land the town wants for parkland, the land for the fire station because it may

not be needed and there's no requirement the town will have to pay fair market value, improvements to be funded by Parallax to the Guelph St. and Mountainview Rd. intersection, the requirement for a market study and the requirement that, prior to final approval, Parallax has to provide the Halton Catholic School Board with the option to purchase a block of land.

Along with the deletion of the need for land for the fire station council recently eliminated the request for a market study, specified it wanted to purchase three

acres for parkland in a block of land on the site at a price set in 1996 with the remainder being dedicated to the town, stated it wanted one of the buildings on the site included in that parkland block, was more specific about other details, and stated Parallax would only be responsible for paying 30 per cent of the costs for improvements to the Guelph St. and Mountainview Rd. intersection.

The town also said that Parallax's suggested conditions of draft approval submitted to the OMB should be refused.

Serjeantson said town staff

have since met with Parallax representatives and there seems to still be a "fairly large" discrepancy regarding stormwater management and the amount of parkland the town wants.

Serjeantson said the hearing, set to begin Monday at the Civic Centre, is still on, "but we haven't stopped talking."

"I always hope we can find a solution because no one wins (at an OMB hearing) except for the lawyers and consultants," she said.

Tina Carinci, a planner for Parallax, said Parallax refused comment at this time.

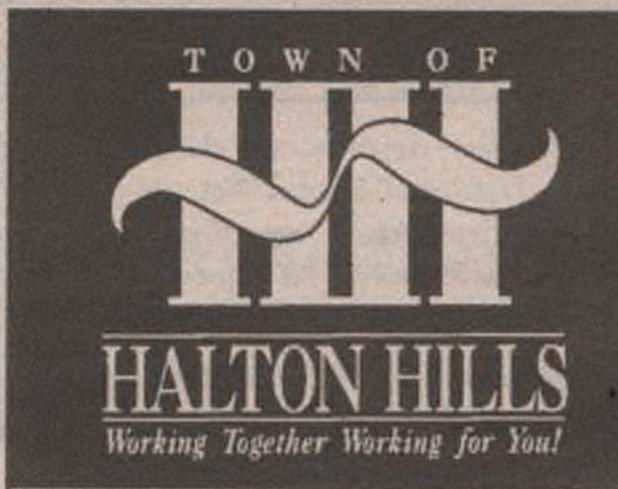
—By Lisa Tallyn, staff writer



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SITE WALK

INVITATION TO A SITE WALK WARDS 3 AND 4/EAST SIDE EIGHTH LINE (MAIN STREET)

The Town of Halton Hills will conduct a walk of the sites of the Halton Hills Village Home Inc. and Silver Creek Estates proposed plans of subdivision.

Location:

Date/Time: Saturday, May 1st, 1999, 9:00 a.m. East Side of Main Street, Georgetown (existing green block building, south of Cedarvale Park)

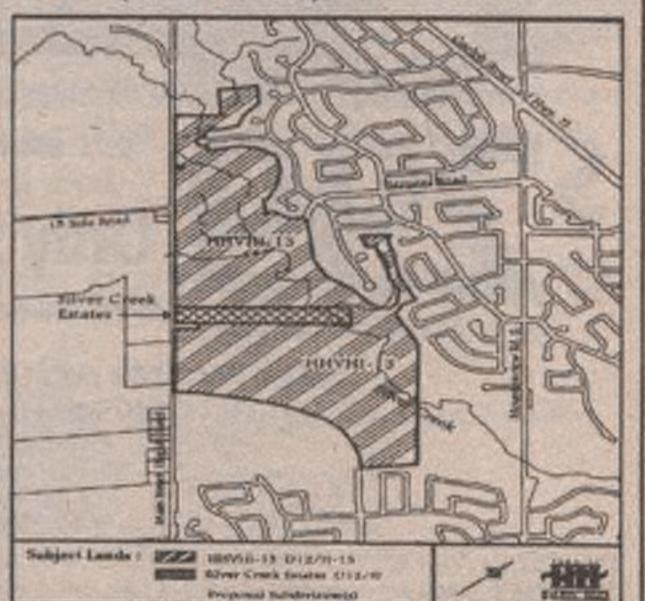
File Nos: D12/HHVHI - 13 D12/Silver Creek Estates

ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE WELCOME

The purpose of this walk is to identify, in the field, the location of proposed residential lots, parks, stormwater management facilities and open space blocks relative to the locations of the natural features on the sites. particularly, Silver Creek and the Hungry Hollow Environmentally Sensitive Area.

The two proposed plans of subdivision are being processed under Region of Halton Files 24T-86035B/H - Halton Hills Village Homes Inc. and 24T-89013/H Silver Creek Estates.

The subject properties are located in Georgetown South and are bounded by Eighth Line (Main Street) to the west, Cedarvale Park and existing residential development to the north, existing residential development to the east and a proposed plan of subdivision to the south (D12/HHVHI - 10).



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