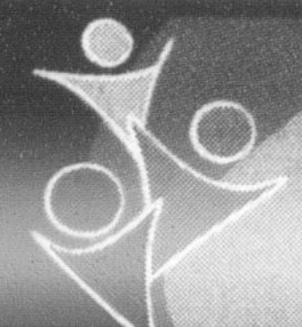
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Open Houses

Proposed Official Plan Amendment No. 25 An Amendment To Incorporate Official Plan Review Directions and Related Matters



Halton Regional Council, through its Planning and Public Works Committee, is holding a Public Meeting to provide interested individuals an opportunity to comment on the proposed Halton Regional Official Plan Amendment No. 25.

Purpose: As part of the five-year review of its Official Plan, Halton Regional Council adopted a set of 76 directions in June 2003 as the basis for making changes to the Plan, including:

- · A firm urban boundary to accommodate growth to year 2021.
- · Enhanced policies to increase the supply of affordable housing.
- · Programs to support the long-term viability of Halton's agricultural industry.
- · An updated and expanded greenlands system.
- · Commitments to improving air and water quality.
- · New thrusts to promote travel by public transit, cycling and walking.

These directions have now been incorporated into the Plan in the form of Proposed Amendment No. 25. The public is invited to the following open houses to obtain more information and to provide comments on the proposed amendment.

Date	Location	Address
Tuesday, Mar 23	St. Volodymyr Cultural Centre	Oakville - 1280 Dundas St W
Wednesday, Mar 24	Appleby Ice Centre -	Burlington - 1201 Appleby Line
Thursday, Mar 25	Brookville Public School	Brookville - 11325 Guelph Line
Tuesday, Mar 30	St. Joseph's Catholic School	Acton - 147 Mill St
Wednesday, Mar 31	Halton Hills Cultural Centre	Georgetown - 9 Church St
Thursday, Apr 1	Sam Sherratt Public School	Milton - 649 Laurier Ave

(All Open Houses: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with an open discussion forum starting at 7:00 p.m.)

To Participate: Please note the following key events so that you may continue to provide input to Regional Council in the approval of Proposed Amendment No. 25:

- April 9 Due date for written comments on Proposed Amendment No. 25
- May 5 Release of changes to Proposed Amendment No. 25 based on public & agency input
- May 19 Statutory public meeting under The Planning Act
- (& May 20 if needed)
- June 16 Region's Planning & Public Works Committee to consider Amendment No. 25
- June 23 Regional Council to consider approval of Amendment No. 25

For further information: Copies of Proposed Amendment 25 and related Official Plan Review documents can be viewed on the Region's website at www.region.halton.on.ca/OfficialPlan, in local libraries, at the Region's Citizen Reference Library (1151 Bronte Road, Oakville), or by contacting Isabel Telford at 1-866-4HALTON(1-866-442-5866), Ext. 7195.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Development Charges Roads and Soft Services Evening Public Workshop

The Regional Municipality of Halton is undertaking its development charge (DC) update in 2004. The DC Discussion Paper has been available to the public since December 17, 2003.

The Region intends to hold a Public Workshop for the Roads and other Tax Supported Services DC, including police, ambulance, services for seniors, facilities and growth studies, prior to the release of the DC Background Study and statutory Public Meeting.

The purpose of holding this meeting prior to releasing the background study is to provide the public with an opportunity to review and comment on technical information included in the DC calculations at an earlier stage in the process.

The DC Discussion Paper is available for public viewing and/or pick up at the office of the Regional Clerk, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays, Halton Regional Centre, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario L6M 3L1.

We encourage you to join us at the Public Workshop:

Date:

Thursday, April 1, 2004

Time:

7:00 p.m.

Place:

Glenorchy/Dakota Room Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road Oakville ON L6M 3L1.

Any questions or requests for further information and reports should be directed to Paula Kobli at 1-866-442-5866, ext. 7184, The Regional Municipality of Halton, Corporate Services Department, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario L6M 3L1.

Halton Region receives AAA credit rating



Brent Marshall Chief Administrative Officer We are pleased to announce that Moody's Investors Service has, once again, given Halton Region a AAA credit rating - the highest credit rating available to any issuer of long-term debt in North America.

This credit rating will allow the local government partners in Halton financial opportunities to make significant investments toward meeting the needs of our community.



Jane MacCaskill
Commissioner of
Corporate Services
and Regional Treasurer

Halton Regional Meeting Schedule:

Health & Social Services Committee Planning & Public Works Committee Administration & Finance Meeting

March 23rd March 24th March 24th

9:30 am 9:30 am 1:30 pm

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TTY 905-827-9833 or visit us at: www.region.halton.on.ca



ALTON CHAMPION CARRIERS Skating Party

Wed. March 17 2-3pm Milton Sports Centre Rink B

RSVP Sandy or Andrew by March 15