

Bed and breakfast hitting snags

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Unionville Main Street could be home to a new bed and breakfast, but it likely won't happen anytime soon.

The owner of Jakes On Main, Jack Valianes, received the zoning change he requested for 159 and 159A Main Street in late May. The change allows a hotel use on the street, an idea supported by most councillors, ratepayers and businesses.

But there's a snag. Besides the eight to 12 rooms on the

second floor, Mr. Valianes' plan includes a 98-seat restaurant on the main level of the new building. And that has people worried for the same old reasons — the fear that too many restaurants and pubs will change the character of the street and the chronic lack of parking.

"We're not against the hotel portion, it's the 98-seat restaurant or pub and the parking for that," explained Richard Talbot, president of the Unionville Villagers Association.

Mr. Valianes has a few battles to fight before he gets to the site plan stage, where heritage and other bylaw consid-

erations like parking will be hammered out in his design by town staff.

He is currently awaiting an Ontario Municipal Board hearing date after he appealed his inclusion in the one-year moratorium on development on Main Street.

The freeze was imposed by council in February after residents begged for long-term planning policies to ward off spot zoning and site-specific approvals as the street evolves and to tackle the

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IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Regional Municipality of York for approval to expropriate land described in Schedule "A" hereto, in the Town of Markham in The Regional Municipality of York, for the purposes of:

- (a) the widening and reconstruction of Elgin Mills Road East (YR 49) from Bayview Avenue (YR 34) to Markland Road, to a basic width of 36.0 metres with additional widenings at cuts, fills, watercourse crossings and intersections to provide:
 - (i) a basic four lane road with a continuous centre left-turn lane from Bayview Avenue (YR 34) to the proposed Highway 404 west ramp intersection;
 - (ii) a basic four lane road from the proposed Highway 404 west ramp intersection to Markland Road;
 - (iii) a new interchange with Highway 404; and
 - (iv) left-turn and right-turn lanes at intersections;
- (b) the reconstruction of Elgin Mills Road East (YR 49) from Markland Road to Woodbine Avenue (YR 8) to improve the existing two lane road, and construction of minor improvements to the intersection of Elgin Mills Road East (YR 49) and Woodbine Avenue (YR 8);
- (c) the adjustments to existing traffic control signals and associated illumination to accommodate the proposed revisions to the road layout at the intersections of Elgin Mills Road East (YR 49) with Leslie Street (YR 12) and Woodbine Avenue (YR 8); and
- (d) the provision of an underground conduit system and illumination at the intersections of Elgin Mills Road East (YR 49) with the proposed Highway 404 ramps and Markland Road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described in Schedule "A" hereto. Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires an inquiry into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing,

- (a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty days after the first publication of the notice;
- (b) in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:
The Council of The Regional Municipality of York
17250 Yonge Street
Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

The Regional Municipality of York
Harold Brown, Deputy Clerk
17250 Yonge Street
Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

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SCHEDULE "A"

An estate in fee simple in the land described as follows:

Lands in the Town of Markham The Regional Municipality of York, being composed of that part of Lot 26, Concession 3, of the said Town, designated as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York Region as No. 65R-24904.

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