

Summary of Written and Oral Submissions

Official Plan Amendment – Barrhaven Downtown Secondary Plan

In addition to those outlined in the Consultation Details section of the report, the following outlines the written and oral submissions received between the publication of the report and prior to City Council's consideration:

Number of delegations/submissions

Number of delegations at Committee: 5

Number of written submissions received by Planning Committee between November 18 (the date the report was published to the City's website with the agenda) and November 28, 2019 (committee meeting date): 5

Primary concerns, by individual

Ron Richards, R.G. Richards and Associates, representing Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada and Barrhaven Town Centre Inc, the owners of the Barrhaven Town Centre (oral and written submissions)

- supported the plan objectives, except for the proposed expansion of the Strandherd Retail District:
 - ❖ the plan would see the Strandherd Retail District overlay extended to the south of the Barrhaven Town Center to include parts of lands owned by Richcraft and Mion; it has always been the case that the Strandherd Retail District was emplaced to recognize existing or zoned/master planned development and to set out policies for its redevelopment over time, not to allow for inclusion of undeveloped lands and the concomitant proliferation of retail development as currently exists
 - ❖ the expansion of the Strandherd Retail District by introduction of undeveloped land undermines the objectives of the current and recommended secondary plan; the proposed Strandherd Retail District expansion perpetuates the current form of retail development, is not supportive of the underlying development policies related to future land use forms and is not supportive of transit
 - ❖ there is no rationale or explanation of the need or appropriateness of the proposed expansion to the Strandherd Retail District

Lisa Song (written submission)

- Barrhaven residents have several concerns about the proposed plan (e.g. infrastructure) and feel they were not given the opportunity to express them prior to the report coming to Planning Committee, having learned of the report through the media only two days before this meeting; requested further public consultation

Jennil Ifill (written submission)

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Primary reasons for support, by individual

Daniel Paquette, Paquette Planning, representing Mion regarding lands at 3232 Jockvale Road (oral submission)

- indicated they have been working with staff to come to an agreement on an appropriate land use program, and that the Mion family supports the staff report as presented

Applicant/owner representatives: Susan Murphy, Minto Communities; Paul Black, Fotenn, on behalf of Minto and Richcraft; Raymon Yim, Associate with NAK Design (oral and written submissions)

- provided background and context that lead to the development of this proposal
- noted that some of the primary goals of the proposal are: to bring densities down to something that would be attainable in a Town Centre in a suburban context in the short term, while protecting for growth over the long term; to support the various modes and corridors of transportation and create inter-connectivity; to expand the retail district to meet the growing needs of the community; to support and foster current and future social and economic growth within the community; to create a vibrant and sustainable Town Centre that, while integrated with surrounding development, has a civic presence that distinguishes it as a community gathering place and the heart of Barrhaven

Jason MacDonald, Chair, Barrhaven BIA (written submission)

- the ongoing focus of the BBIA is on long-term employment-based job growth and protecting the downtown commercial area of Barrhaven
- Ottawa's suburban communities play a vital role within the larger context of our city and offer the ability to be sustainable communities that are complete with work, live and play opportunities
- well-planned integration of the Barrhaven core with its employment areas is key to ensure that Barrhaven is built differently than other suburban areas, and offers a hipper and more social vibe to millennial workers and attracts employment, including LRT and BRT service to key areas and incorporated arts and culture
- the proposed changes to the Barrhaven Downtown Secondary Plan, including active frontage streets, will support true main street development with patios and cafes and lend itself to a unique small retail with character and culture, and the addition of urban parks will provide the perfect opportunity to gather and celebrate community
- the Barrhaven BIA has retained the GBA Group to assist with advancing the Barrhaven Downtown vision by fine tuning its elements and preparing a business plan, the objective of this new partnership is to establish a great civic centre that will anchor Barrhaven's Downtown and the outcome of their work will be to create a Business and Development Plan for the implementation of the project – a vibrant meeting place for the residents of Barrhaven and beyond
- the revision of this Community Design Plan provides great opportunity for imminent economic growth and the City should highlight the priority for roads and transit investment in Barrhaven's core; residential and commercial development is far outpacing infrastructure development, and this new Plan presents an opportunity to align the two

Effect of Submissions on Planning Committee Decision: Debate: The committee spent one hour and 15 minutes on the item.

Vote: The committee considered all written submissions in making its decision and carried the report recommendations with 2 amendments, one to ask Council to amend the Legal Implications comment, and one directing staff to provide information prior to Council on funds required to complete detailed design and construction in certain parts of Barrhaven. Committee also referred a motion to Council for consideration regarding the replacement of a schedule in Document 2, which would serve to limit the proposed

Strandherd Retail District expansion to the southern boundary of Richcraft's lands. The final recommendations to Council were as follows:

1. That Council:
 - a) approve an amendment to the Official Plan Volume 1, to add to Volume 2a of the Official Plan the 'Barrhaven Downtown Secondary Plan', as detailed in Document 2;
 - b) approve a repeal of the South Nepean Town Centre Community Design Plan and South Nepean Town Centre (Area 7) Secondary Plan;
 - c) delete the following sentence from the "Legal Implications" section of this report: "As this is a City-initiated amendment to the Official Plan, in the event Council chooses not to adopt the recommended Secondary Plan no right of appeal would exist";
 - d) approve that pursuant to the *Planning Act*, subsection 34(17), no further notice be given.
2. That Council consider the following recommendation, as referred by Planning Committee:
 - That Council amend Schedule 1 of Document 2, as shown in revised Schedule 1 of Motion N^o PLC 2019-17/3; and,
That pursuant to the *Planning Act*, subsection 34(17), no further notice be given.

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Number of additional written submissions received by Council between November 28 (Planning Committee consideration date) and December 11, 2019 (Council consideration date): 0

Effect of Submissions on Council Decision:

Council considered all written submissions in making its decision and Carried the Planning Committee recommendations as amended by the following motion:

That Council amend Document 2, Part B, Policy 3.1.6 (3) by replacing Policy 3 which states: "All buildings must have a minimum building height of 6.7 metres", with "Notwithstanding the policies of the underlying policy designations, non-residential development within the Strandherd Retail District is not subject to any minimum building height".

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to the *Planning Act*, subsection 34(17) no further notice be given.