

January 17, 2008

To: Economic Development Committee

From: Toronto and East York Community Council

Subject: Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – South of Eastern Planning Study – bounded by Eastern Avenue, Don Valley, Lake Shore Boulevard East and the east side of Woodfield Road – Final Report (TE12.7)

Recommendation:

The Toronto and East York Community Council requested the Economic Development Committee to consider designating the Eastern Avenue Employment District as a priority location for pursuing the City's Green Economic Development Strategy.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Toronto and East York Community Council:

- A) recommended that City Council at its meeting January 28, 2008:
1. amend the Official Plan substantially in accordance with the draft Official Plan Amendment attached as Attachment No. 1. of the report (January 15, 2008) from the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District;
 2. authorize the City Solicitor to make such stylistic and technical changes to the draft Official Plan Amendments and draft Zoning By-law Amendment as may be required;
 3. direct the City Solicitor and appropriate staff to attend the Ontario Municipal Board hearing, if required, in support of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments;
 4. direct the Acting Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to bring forward Urban Design Guidelines for the South of Eastern Employment District by the second quarter of 2008;

5. request that:
 - a. the Director of Community Planning, Toronto and East York District report back to Toronto and East York Community Council on the option to rezone the Parks and Open Space Areas on the north side of Lake Shore Boulevard East between the Don Valley and Coxwell Avenue “G”;
 - b. the Director of Community Planning and the Director Transportation for Toronto and East York, in consultation with Parks, Forestry and Recreation, report back to Toronto and East York Community Council on the options of greening the median on Lake Shore Boulevard East, east of the Don River and creating a “Grand Boulevard” along this corridor;
 6. direct the Mayor to request the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to declare a Provincial Interest in the appeals of Toronto Film Studio before the Ontario Municipal Board, and take any other action necessary to support the protection and enhancement of the South of Eastern Employment District and any subsequent appeals on these matters;
 7. authorize the City Solicitor and appropriate City staff to take such necessary steps to implement the foregoing.
- B) directed the Acting Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to report to the January 29th, 2008 meeting of City Council with the changes to the draft amendment to the former City of Toronto Official Plan, Attachment No. 2 and the draft Zoning By-law Attachment, No.3 of report (January 15, 2008) from the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District to incorporate the revisions to reflect the revised Secondary Plan;
- C) requested the Economic Development Committee to consider designating the Eastern Avenue Employment District as a priority location for pursuing the City’s Green Economic Development Strategy; and
- D) requested the Acting Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning to assist the residents to identify locations in the vicinity of the South of Eastern Employment District where a range of residential and retail uses are permitted.

Background:

The Toronto and East York Community Council on January 15, 2008, considered the report (December 18, 2007) from the Director, Policy and Research, City Planning Division and a revised report (January 15, 2008) from the Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District.

The following communications were addressed to the Toronto and East York Community Council:

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- (i) Tom Halinski, Aird & Berlis, LLP
- (j) Toronto Film Board
- (k) Motion submitted by Councillor Fletcher
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- (m) Michael Rosenberg
- (n) The East Toronto Community Coalition
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You can view this Item and any background information in the Toronto and East York Community Council's Decision Document posted on the City of Toronto's Website at:

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2008/te/decisions/2008-01-15-te12-dd.pdf>

Yours truly,

City Clerk

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