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# NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE AND NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

To be held by Planning and Growth Management Committee (Pursuant to Subsections 26(3)(b) of the <u>Planning Act</u>)

#### Proposed City-Initiated Official Plan Amendment pertaining to the Downtown Secondary Plan (Official Plan Amendment Application No.: 18 124911 SPS 00 OZ)

DATE OF STATUTORY OPEN HOUSE:	April 23, 2018
TIME OF STATUTORY OPEN HOUSE:	6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
	(presentation at 6:30 p.m.)
PLACE OF STATUTORY OPEN HOUSE:	Metro Hall Rotunda
	55 John Street, Toronto
DATE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING:	May 1, 2018
TIME OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING:	10:30 a.m., or as soon as possible
	thereafter
PLACE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING:	Committee Room 1, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor,
	City Hall, 100 Queen Street West

### **PROPOSAL - PURPOSE AND EFFECT**

In 2014, City Council directed City Planning, in consultation with other City Divisions, to develop an integrated planning framework and infrastructure growth strategy for the Downtown. The Downtown Secondary Plan (Downtown Plan) is a response to the rapid intensification occurring Downtown. After extensive public consultation, including with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs staff, the proposed Official Plan Amendment brings forward a comprehensive policy framework to shape growth in Toronto's Downtown in order to identify and address the infrastructure required to build complete communities. As part of the City of Toronto's Five Year Official Plan Review this Official Plan Amendment will be in conformity with the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2017 (Growth Plan) and will be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval pursuant to Section 26 of the Planning Act.

The Official Plan Amendment proposes to amend Section 2.2.1 (Downtown: The Heart of Toronto) and Map 6 of the Toronto Official Plan, adopt a new Downtown Plan, and revise some of the existing Secondary Plans and Site and Area Specific Policies within the Downtown geography to ensure policy alignment. The proposed policies of the Downtown Plan establish a vision, goals, and address directing growth, land use, parks and public realm, transportation, built form, community services and facilities, culture, housing, resiliency, water and implementation. The proposed Official Plan Amendment will comprehensively apply a number of the key policies of the Growth Plan such as complete communities, infrastructure to support growth, integrated planning, and the promotion of major office and institutional development.

The Planning Act requires that a Special Public Meeting must be held on any proposed amendments to the Official Plan and that an Open House be held if the Official Plan is being amended to ensure that the public has an opportunity to review and ask questions about the information and material made available in advance of the Special Public Meeting. The holding of public hearings on the Official Plan amendment may be delegated by Council to the Planning and Growth Management Committee under Section 24 of the City of Toronto Act and the Toronto Municipal Code.

### DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT LANDS

The proposed Official Plan Amendment will apply to the area bound by Lake Ontario to the south, Bathurst Street to the west, the mid-town rail corridor and Rosedale Valley Road to the north, and the Don River to the east.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

At its October 2017 meeting, City Council adopted a staff report entitled "TOcore: Proposed Downtown Plan", which recommended a proposed planning framework for Downtown. At that meeting, City Council directed staff to use the Proposed Downtown Plan as the basis for public and stakeholder consultation and to report back with a final Recommendations Report and an Official Plan Amendment on the Downtown Plan to a Spring 2018 meeting of the Planning and Growth Management Committee. The report can be found here: http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2017.PG22.1

Further information is also available at <a href="https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/planning-studies-initiatives/tocore-planning-torontos-downtown/">www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/planning-studies-initiatives/tocore-planning-torontos-downtown/</a>

A copy of City Planning's Final Report on the proposed Official Plan Amendment will be available on the City's website at: <u>www.toronto.ca/legdocs/agendas.html</u> on April 24, 2018.

# Detailed information regarding the proposal, including background information and material, and a copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment may be obtained by contacting:

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### PURPOSE OF OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to attend the Open House to review the proposed Official Plan Amendment and to ask questions about the proposed policies and any related information and material.

# PURPOSE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

The Planning and Growth Management Committee will receive input and review the proposal and any other material placed before it, in order to make recommendations on the Official Plan Amendment. These recommendations will then be forwarded to Toronto City Council for its consideration. You are invited to attend the Special Public Meeting to make your views known regarding the proposed Official Plan Amendment. If you wish to address the Planning and Growth Management Committee in person or in writing, please contact: City Clerk, Attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee, City Hall, 10th Floor West, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto ON M5H 2N2, Phone: 416-397-4579, Fax: 416 392-1879, e-mail: pgmc@toronto.ca.

To assist with scheduling, you are requested to call the City Clerk's Office by 12:00 noon on April 30th, 2018, if you plan to make comments at the meeting.

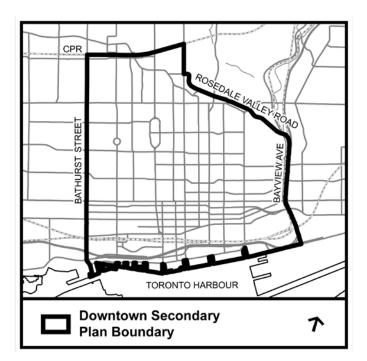
**Special Assistance:** City Staff can arrange for special assistance with some advance notice. If you need special assistance, please call 416-397-4579, TTY 416-338-0889 or e-mail pgmc@toronto.ca.

# FURTHER INFORMATION

**If you wish to be notified** of the decision of the City of Toronto on the proposed Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the City Clerk, attention: Nancy Martins, Administrator, Planning and Growth Management Committee, at the address, fax number or e-mail set out in this notice.

**People writing or making presentations at the public meeting:** The City of Toronto Act, 2006, the Planning Act, and the City of Toronto Municipal Code authorize the City of Toronto to collect any personal information in your communication or presentation to City Council or its committees.

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letters, faxes, e-mails, presentations or other communications to the City, you should be aware that your name and the fact that you communicated with the City will become part of the public record and will appear on the City's website. The City will also make your communication and any personal information in it - such as your postal address, telephone number or e-mail address - available to the public, unless you expressly request the City to remove it.

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Dated at the City of Toronto this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2018.

Ulli S. Watkiss City Clerk