

City Council

Notice of Motion

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Re-opening and Amending Item PH5.3 - Our Plan Toronto: Recommendations on Seventy Employment Area Conversion Requests and Chapter 7 Site and Area Specific Policy Review - Final Report - by Councillor Shelley Carroll, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks

** Notice of this Motion has been given.
 * This Motion is subject to a re-opening of Item 2023.PH5.3. A two-thirds vote is required to re-open that Item. If re-opened, the previous Council decision remains in force unless Council decides otherwise.
 * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Mayor and the Clerk.*

Recommendations

Councillor Shelley Carroll, seconded by Councillor Gord Perks, recommends that:

1. City Council reopen Item PH5.3 and replace Attachment 3 to Motion 1 by Councillor Shelley Carroll with the document attached to this motion as Attachment 1.
2. City Council delete and replace Part 7 of its decision with the following:

City Council amend Attachment 1 (Official Plan Amendment 653) of the supplementary report (June 29, 2023) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning in accordance with Attachment 3 to Motion 1 by Councillor Shelley Carroll, as follows:

- a. converting the lands municipally known in 2022 as 160 Queens Plate Drive from General Employment Areas to Regeneration Areas by removing the lands from Official Plan Map 2, Urban Structure;
- b. re-designating the lands from General Employment Areas to Regeneration Areas; and
- c. adding Site and Area Specific Policy 855 to apply to the lands.

Summary

At its meeting July 19, 2023, Toronto City Council adopted Item PH5.3 approving recommended Official Plan Amendment 653 respecting requests to convert employment lands to other uses. Official Plan Amendment 653 also adopted a number of site and area specific policies. As part of the Municipal Comprehensive Review conducted pursuant to Section 26 of the Planning Act, Official Plan Amendment 653 will be subject to approval and potential modification by the Minister of Municipal Affairs once the bill is adopted by City Council.

During the meeting, Council adopted a number of motions to amend Official Plan Amendment 653 as it related to certain lands, including an omnibus motion by Councillor Shelley Carroll that included Attachments 1, 2 and 3 (<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2023/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-238500.pdf>).

Staff has discovered that an incorrect Attachment 3 (respecting 3710 Chesswood Drive which was deferred to be considered at the October Council meeting) was included in the motion materials and circulated. The correct Attachment 3 (respecting 160 Queens Plate Drive) was inadvertently omitted and was erroneously referred to as “Attachment 1” in Part 7 of Council’s decision. The omitted pages detailed the part of the motion that redesignated the lands at 160 Queens Plate Drive from General Employment Areas to Regeneration Areas and applied new Site and Area Specific Policy 855 to the lands, as set out in Part 7 of Council’s decision.

To adopt the contents of Site and Area Specific Policy 855 and redesignate the 160 Queens Plate Drive lands as part of Official Plan Amendment 653, further action is required to adopt the version of Attachment 3 corresponding to Council’s intended decision.

“Attachment 1” to this motion includes Site and Area Specific Policy 855 and other amendments to the Official Plan respecting 160 Queens Plate Drive that will supersede and replace “Attachment 3” to the July 19 motion.

This is an urgent matter because the details of the Official Plan Amendment must be corrected in order for the bill to be finalized, adopted and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for a decision as the approval authority. The Minister’s 120-day review period cannot commence until Council submits a complete application package.

Reason for Urgency:

This is an urgent matter because the details of Official Plan Amendment 653, including Site and Area Specific Policy 855, must be corrected in order for the bill to be adopted and the Official Plan Amendment forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for a decision as the approval authority. These Council-adopted land use redesignations may affect other ongoing litigation involving the City where the designation of the same lands is at issue, as well as the Minister’s ongoing review of Official Plan Amendment 591 and 644.

REQUIRES RE-OPENING:

Item 2023.PH5.3 (July 19 and 20, 2023 City Council meeting) only as it pertains to 160 Queens Plate Drive.

Background Information (City Council)

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Attachment 1

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2023/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-238846.pdf>)