SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IN TORONTO



7 Glamorgan Avenue Community Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 2021



Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge this site is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit, and the Williams Treaties signed with multiple Mississaugas and Chippewa bands.



Guidelines for respectful dialogue

- We are here tonight to hear from everyone who wants to share their perspective in a safe and respectful way
- The Community Meetings are meant to be safe spaces where people can listen and share
- Discrimination or abusive language of any kind will not be tolerated and will result in a warning, followed by removal from the event



Today's agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- Taking collective action on homelessness
- The need for this housing in Toronto
- How this housing will help people in need
- Details on the homes with supports at 7 Glamorgan
- Supporting the success of the building
- Process and next steps



How to participate

• FOR SMARTPHONES



 Tap the Participants panel button at the top right of the screen. Then tap Raise Hand at the bottom right of the screen.

• FOR TABLETS

 Tap the Participants panel button at the bottom of the screen. Then tap the Raise Hand button at the bottom right.







FOR TELEPHONE

Press *3 to raise your hand. **Press *6** to unmute your microphone.

Note: This meeting is being recorded.



It takes a community to address homelessness





Homelessness in Toronto

- There are more than 7,800 people experiencing homelessness in Toronto
- Identified as a priority in the Housing TO Action Plan, homes with supports, new homes with supports are urgently needed to ensure everyone has a warm, safe place to call home





Pathways to homelessness



Increasing the supply of Supportive Housing





Creating new homes with supports at 7 Glamorgan Avenue



The City of Toronto is proposing to build modular housing at 7 Glamorgan Ave to provide new homes for approximately 57 people and support their health and well-being.



New warm, safe and permanent rental homes

The new homes will be:

- Dedicated to women, Indigenous residents, seniors, people with disabilities and other people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.
- Studio apartments with a bathroom and a kitchen.

The building includes amenities such as shared **laundry**, a commercial **kitchen**, a **dining area**, a **communal area** and **programming space**.



What is supportive housing?

Supportive housing provides **permanent rental homes** with support services





How supportive housing works and selection of non-profit housing operator

- Managed by non-profit housing operators that bring professional building management experience and expertise providing customized supports
- All residents in supportive housing have made a choice to live there, pay rent, and are able to access the supports
- The operator takes care of the residents, the building and the property



Community safety is our shared priority

Based on our experience in Toronto and other communities with supportive housing, we do not anticipate any increased community safety issues in the neighbourhood as a result of the new housing.

The non-profit housing operator will be responsible for addressing community concerns and will continue to work with the City after the residents move in.



DISCUSSION



Proposed Site Plan





7 Glamorgan Avenue







7 Glamorgan Avenue





Building Modular Housing

- Modular homes are an innovative and cost-effective way to build small-scale housing
- The homes are built off-site in a factory and transported to the site for assembly
- Construction and installation take approximately eight to ten months, most of which occurs off-site



Construction of modular home at 11 Macey Ave.



Examples of studio homes in modular buildings across Toronto





Studio home at 321 Dovercourt Rd.



Studio home at 11 Macey Ave.

Planning Review and Approval Process

This proposal requires:

- Relief from the zoning by-law
- Site Plan approval

On June 8th, Toronto City Council:

- Endorsed in principle amending the zoning regulations for 7 Glamorgan Ave. by way of a Minister's Zoning Order
- Requested staff to provide a Dundalk Dr. address to the modular housing development, to distinguish it from the existing building currently located at 7 Glamorgan Ave.

What is an MZO?

A Minister's Zoning Order (MZO) enables the Minister to regulate land use on specific lands and has been used to expedite time-sensitive projects.



Timeline



A Community Liaison is available to receive community comments and questions

Dates in the timeline are approximate and subject to change.



DISCUSSION



Homes with supports help create safe, inclusive communities for everyone



Working with neighbours toward a successful project

The City is committed to working with the local community throughout every stage of development and after the building opens.

We encourage neighbours to share their interests and priorities for the site, provide feedback on building and site design elements such as lighting, pathways and landscaping, and offer suggestions for how these new homes could benefit both the new residents and the neighbourhood.



Coming together to support the success of the building

- Building homes with supports can offer an opportunity for people to come together and create welcoming, safe and inclusive communities for all.
- By working together, we can reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness and help save lives.







Local artists created a "healing and playful atmosphere" by installing custom designed artwork to welcome residents to their new homes.



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Thank you

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For more information on these new homes, please visit:

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