



Council Public Meeting

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

Concerning Draft Official Plan Amendment 23 and Implementing Zoning By-law

Permitting “Additional Residential Units” to Ground-Related Dwellings

Pursuant to the *Planning Act*

A Public Meeting has been scheduled on Wednesday, December 2, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., to notify the Public and receive comments on Draft Official Plan Amendment 23 and implementing Zoning By-law to permit additional residential units in ground-related dwellings.

In support of the efforts of our public health partners and the Province of Ontario to stop the spread of COVID-19, the meeting will be held using electronic video conference technology. Details on how you can participate in the meeting are included in this notice.

You can also view the livestream of the meeting at RichmondHill.ca/CouncilMeetings.

Inquiries Refer To:

City Files: D01-20011 and D24-20002

Contact Planners:

Regarding Draft Official Plan Amendment (D01-20011)

Chun Chu, Senior Planner, Policy Planning; Phone number 905-771-5493.

Regarding Implementing Zoning By-law (D24-20002)

Ferdi Toniolo, Senior Planner, Development Zoning; Phone number 905-771-2442.

Purpose and Effect: The City proposes to amend Official Plan 2010 and the Zoning By-law to expand permissions for an additional residential unit (presently termed “secondary suite” in the Official Plan) within a ground-related dwelling, and also to permit an additional residential unit in a structure ancillary to the ground-related dwelling on the same lot. The intent of this amendment is to bring Official Plan 2010 and the Zoning By-law into conformity with Provincially legislated requirements and to facilitate housing diversity. The amendment will also help to guide future development of additional residential units and to increase the supply of affordable housing in order to meet the needs of Richmond Hill residents. The purpose of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is to implement the proposed Official Plan Amendment policies.

Subject Lands: The proposed amendment applies City-wide to all lands where ground-related dwellings are permitted. The permission would not apply to existing ground-related units located in hazard lands and hazardous sites, lands within the Natural Heritage System of the Greenbelt Plan, and lands within the Natural Core and Natural Linkage Areas of the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan (ORMCP).

A map showing the area, affected by the proposed amendments, is not required given that they apply to the whole City.

Any person, subject to the below notice regarding the Covid-19 Emergency, may attend the meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support or in opposition to the proposed amendments. Written comments by any person, unable to attend the meeting, should be made by email to clerks@richmondhill.ca; or by mail to the City Clerk, The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill, 225 East Beaver Creek Road, Richmond Hill, Ontario, L4B 3P4; or by fax to 905-771-2502; and to be received no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Wednesday, December 2, 2020. Please ensure that you include your name and address so that you may be contacted, if necessary.

COVID-19 Emergency: During the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency (declared by the City of Richmond Hill under Section 4(1) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.9) and as permitted by Section 238 (3.3) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, the City of Richmond Hill Council is holding electronic meetings, and in-person meeting attendance is restricted to electronic attendance only. Any person, who wishes to make a verbal presentation is required to do so electronically via the internet or telephone, and is required to register with the Office of the Clerk by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the date of the meeting. Registrations can be submitted by email to clerks@richmondhill.ca. The Clerk will provide any such person with instructions on how to make their electronic delegation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the City of Richmond Hill declares the COVID-19 Emergency terminated prior to the scheduled public meeting, this meeting may be held in person in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Offices, 225 East Beaver Creek Road. Visit RichmondHill.ca/CouncilMeetings for updates in regards to City-held meetings including this matter.

Official Plan and Zoning By-law Appeal: In accordance with the Planning Act, there is no appeal in respect to the policies and provisions of these proposed amendments, except by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH).

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council of the City of Richmond Hill in respect to the adoption of the Draft Official Plan Amendment and Draft Zoning By-law Amendment on “Additional Residential Units to Ground-Related Dwellings” (**City Files:**

D01-20011 and **D24-20002**), you must make a written request to the City Clerk, The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill, 225 East Beaver Creek Road, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4B 3P4 or by e-mail at clerks@richmondhill.ca.

Notice of Collection: Personal information is collected under the authority of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13; and may be contained in an appendix of a staff report, published in the meeting agenda, delegation list, and/or the minute of the public meeting, and made part of the public record. The City collects this information in order to make informed decision on the relevant issues, and to notify interested parties of Council's decision. It may also be used to serve notice of a Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) hearing. The name, address, and other information contained in the submitted letter will be available to public, unless the individual expressly requests the City to remove their personal information when submitting their written comments. The disclosure of this information is governed by the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.56. Any questions about this collection and disclosure should be directed to the Office of the Clerk at 905-771-8800 or by e-mail at clerks@richmondhill.ca.

Additional information: For more information, please contact the Office of the Clerk at 905-771-8800 or by e-mail at clerks@richmondhill.ca.

Any questions or concerns respecting to the Draft Official Plan Amendment and Draft Zoning By-law Amendment regarding "Additional Residential Units to Ground-Related Dwellings", should be directed to the Planners noted in this notice.

The Draft Official Plan Amendment 23 is available for inspection at the City's Affordable Housing Strategy website: richmondhill.ca/AHS. The Staff Report will be available on Wednesday, November 25, 2020 after 9:30 p.m. You can email the Office of the Clerk at clerks@richmondhill.ca for an electronic copy. It will also be available on RichmondHill.ca. To find it, select the Calendar and click on the relevant meeting for a list of items.

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Dated This 5Th Day of November, 2020