Amendment 39 To The Richmond Hill Official Plan

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Richmond Hill Official Plan

Official Plan Amendment 39

The attached schedule and explanatory text constitute Amendment Number 39 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan.

This amendment was prepared and recommended by the Richmond Hill Council and was adopted by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill by By-law Number 13-23 in accordance with Sections 17 and 21 of the *Planning Act* on the 25th day of January, 2023.

David West Mayor Stephen M.A. Huycke City Clerk

The Corporation of The City Of Richmond Hill

By-law 13-23

A By-law to Adopt Amendment 39 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill, in accordance with provisions of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. That Amendment 39 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan, consisting of the attached Part Two and Schedule 1 is hereby adopted.
- 2. This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

Passed this 25th day of January, 2023.

David West Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke City Clerk Part One - The Preamble is not a part of the Amendment.

Part Two - The Amendment, consisting of text and maps, constitutes Amendment 39 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan.

Part One – The Preamble

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Amendment to the Richmond Hill Official Plan is to amend Chapter 6 of the Official Plan of the City of Richmond Hill in order to provide site specific polices and to amend Schedule A11 to add the Exception Area 38 to the Schedule. This amendment will allow the development of an eight storey long term care facility and two 10 storey retirement home buildings with at-grade commercial uses on the subject lands.

1.2 Location

The lands affected by this Amendment are located on the west side of Yonge Street, legally described as Part of Lot 54, Concession 1, W.Y.S., and municipally known as 11300 Yonge Street (the "Subject Lands"). The subject lands have a total area of approximately 2.07 hectares (5.12 acres) and are shown on Schedule 1 attached hereto.

1.3 Basis

The proposed Amendment is considered by Council to be appropriate for the following reasons:

1. The *Provincial Policy Statement* ("PPS 2020") sets out the overall direction on matters of Provincial interest related to land use planning and development, and includes policies that encourage the efficient use of land, infrastructure and services by directing development within existing settlement areas. The PPS also requires the provision of a range and mix of land uses with densities to meet intensification targets and manage growth within existing settlement areas, while providing for complete communities.

The proposed development is consistent with the PPS with respect to the efficient use of land, infrastructure and services, and provides for employment opportunities.

2. The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe ("Growth Plan" 2019) was consolidated and updated in 2020. The 2019 Growth Plan guides decisions on a wide range of matters, including economic development, land use planning, urban form and housing. It also promotes increased intensification of existing built-up areas, with a focus on urban growth centres, corridors and major transit stations. To support the above objectives, the Growth Plan includes policies that direct growth within settlement areas, provide for a mix of uses and services, encourage housing options, protect natural heritage features and establish minimum intensification and density targets, among other matters.

The proposed development conforms to the Growth Plan with respect to accommodating urban growth and development within a settlement area by providing a mix of uses in the form of residential, institutional and commercial.

- 3. The new York Region Official Plan (ROP 2022) designates the subject lands **Urban Area** in accordance with Map 1 (Regional Structure) of the ROP. The Urban Area policies permit a full range and mix of urban uses. The proposal reinforces and supports the planned urban structure identified in the ROP by utilizing existing services to contribute to the creation of a complete community. The proposal demonstrates consistency with the objectives of the York Region Official Plan.
- 4. The subject lands are designated **Regional Mixed Use Corridor** in accordance with Schedule A2 (Land Use) of the City's Official Plan ("Plan" 2010). The Regional Mixed Use Corridor policies permit high density mixed use, pedestrian friendly and transit oriented uses through intensification and development. The development maintains the general intent and purpose of the goals, objectives and policies of the plan, including providing a range of dwelling types and uses in an appropriate location within the City to contribute to a complete community. The proposal demonstrates consistency with the objectives of the City's Official Plan.

Part Two - The Amendment

2.1 Introduction

All of this part of the document entitled Part Two – The Amendment, consisting of the following text outlined in Section 2.2 constitute Amendment 39 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan.

2.2 Details of the Amendment

The Official Plan of the City of Richmond Hill, is amended as follows:

- 2.2.1 That **Schedule A11** (Exceptions) to the Richmond Hill Official Plan be amended to identify the subject lands as Exception Area Number 38, as shown on Schedule 1 attached.
- 2.2.2 By adding the following to Chapter 6 (Exceptions):

"6.38

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan to the contrary, for the lands known as Part of Lot 54, Concession 1, W.Y.S., and municipally known as 11300 Yonge Street and shown as Exception Area Number 38 on Schedule A11 (Exceptions) to this Plan, the following shall apply:

- a. the maximum building height shall be 10 storeys;
- b. the maximum density shall be 3.0 Floor Space Index (FSI); and,
- c. **Policy 3.4.1.58** of the Plan shall not apply to the lands."



