

# The Official Plan of The City of Brantford



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11.	Amendment No. 9	October 24, 1988
12.	Amendment No. 10	November 7, 1988
13.	Amendment No. 11	August 1, 1989
14.	Amendment No. 12	March 16, 1989
15.	Amendment No. 13	May 11, 1990
16.	Amendment No. 16	May 5, 1989
17.	Amendment No. 17	June 7, 1989
18.	Amendment No. 18	September 22, 1989
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32. Amendment No. 32	April 21, 1992
33. Amendment No. 36	May 7, 1992
34. Amendment No. 37	May 7, 1992
35. Amendment No. 34	May 8, 1992
36. Amendment No. 33	June 4, 1992
37. Amendment No. 19	June 10, 1992
38. Amendment No. 35	June 19, 1992
39. Amendment No. 40	August 28, 1992
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53.	Amendment No. 52	September 1, 1995
54.	Amendment No. 53	January 19, 1996
55.	Amendment No. 54	April 2, 1996
56.	Amendment No. 55	July 3, 1996
57.	Amendment No. 56	October 28, 1996
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59.	Amendment No. 58	June 13, 1997
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61.	Amendment No. 60	July 15, 1997
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130	Amendment No. 130	September 6, 2007
131	Amendment No. 131	September 7, 2007
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133	Amendment No. 133	December 5, 2007
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162	Amendment No. 162	February 19, 2010
163	Amendment No. 163	March 5, 2010
164	Amendment No. 164	March 25, 2010
165	Amendment No. 165	September 24, 2010
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# PART I

## The Preamble to The Official Plan



## **1. CONSTITUTIONAL STATEMENT**

- 1.1 This Official Plan has two major components:
- Part I - The Preamble to the Official Plan  
Part II - The Official Plan
- 1.2 Part I - The Preamble to the Official Plan comprises Sections 1-5 inclusive, and establishes the context within which the Official Plan has been prepared.
- 1.3 Part II - The Official Plan comprises Sections 6 - 20 and **Schedules 1 - 7.4** inclusive, and establishes the land use designations and policies which will apply to the municipality.
- 1.4 The Appendices indicate general background information to, but do not constitute part of, the Official Plan.

OPA #84  
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## **2. INTRODUCTION**

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| 2.1 | <p>The first Official Plan for the City of Brantford was approved in 1951, and consisted primarily of a land use map designating four categories of land use. In 1986, a comprehensive review was completed resulting in the approval of a new Official Plan document to guide the growth and development of the City. There have been various amendments to this new Official Plan with the most significant amendments resulting from secondary plan exercises relating to the development of major areas of the City. A review of specific elements of this Official Plan commenced in 1993 which led to the updating of the Official Plan through Amendment No. 49. A further scoped review, commenced in 1999, led to additional updates and revisions to the Plan through Amendment No. 84. In 2006 a scoped review was commenced which led to additional updates and revisions to the Plan through Amendment No. 125.</p> | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p> <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p> <p>OPA #125<br/>Dec. 3/08</p> |
| 2.2 | <p>The City has, since 1951, expanded its corporate boundaries through a number of annexations from the former Township of Brantford. The most recent of these annexations occurred in 1996. This was the last annexation scheduled under the Brantford-Brant Annexation Act, 1980.</p>  | <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p>  |



### **3. PURPOSE OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN**

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| 3.1 | The Official Plan is a comprehensive framework of goals and objectives statements, land use designations and policies which will guide the future development of the City of Brantford. This planning framework will also assist Council and other public agencies in their consideration of public and private development proposals.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95 |
| 3.2 | Guidance is also provided in the Official Plan for the provision of public works and the establishment of implementing Zoning Bylaws.   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95 |
| 3.3 | The Official Plan also establishes the policies which will assist the City in fulfilling the municipality's goals and objectives, as set out in Section 6. The goals and objectives form a framework for the policies and schedules of the Official Plan. Where there is uncertainty in policy interpretation, regard shall be given to the intent of the goals and objectives.   |                      |
| 3.4 | <p>The Official Plan includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 Goals and objectives for the City;</li> <li>.2 A land use plan designating major land use areas;</li> <li>.3 Detailed policies to achieve the City's goals and objectives, and guide development in accordance with its land use designation;</li> <li>.4 An overall transportation plan for the City's road and rail network;</li> <li>.5 A general plan for the establishment of public services such as storm and sanitary sewers, water supply, and parks;</li> <li>.6 Community improvement policies for the maintenance, rehabilitation and re-development of residential, industrial and commercial areas; and</li> <li>.7 A statement of the means by which the City shall implement the Official Plan.</li> </ul> |                      |



## **4. BASIS OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN**

### **4.1 Local Context**

#### **4.1.1 Physical Considerations**

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| 4.1.1.1 | The City of Brantford is located 40 kilometres from the City of Hamilton and 120 kilometres from the City of Toronto, and is well situated with respect to both the heavily industrialized portions of Southern Ontario, and the large agricultural industry. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 4.1.1.2 | Physical constraints to development within the City are generally limited, with certain portions of the City exhibiting rolling topography which will require careful consideration as to placement of roads, services and land uses.                         |                       |
| 4.1.1.3 | The Grand River, which traverses the western portion of the City, represents a significant constraint by virtue of the potential flooding and erosion hazards associated with this watercourse.   |                       |

#### **4.1.2 Social Considerations**

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| 4.1.2.1 | The City of Brantford reached a census population level of 86,417 persons in 2001.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                     |
| 4.1.2.2 | The City of Brantford is expected to grow to a population of 126,000 persons by the year 2031. This population can reasonably be expected to be reached in the future and serves as a benchmark against which decisions on growth, land requirements, and the extension of municipal services and the provision of soft services can be judged. | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #125<br>Min. Mod. #1<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 4.1.2.3 | Brantford's population will continue to reflect the trend towards an aging population, the increase in non-family households, and the decline in average household sizes.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| 4.1.2.4 | Brantford presently contains a large proportion of major institutional facilities that serve the municipality and surrounding area and, in some instances, serve the entire Province. It is anticipated that the City will continue to serve as a focal point for these facilities.   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #125<br>Min. Mod #2<br>Dec. 3/08      |



### **4.1.3 Economic Considerations**

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| 4.1.3.1 | Brantford presently exhibits a strong regional role within the County of Brant and is an important service centre to the surrounding rural municipalities. The City plays a significant role in the municipality's industrial development by acquiring, servicing, and marketing lands in the industrial marketplace at competitive prices.   |   |
| 4.1.3.2 | In 2001, according to the Census of Canada, the number of persons employed in the City of Brantford stood at 37,200. By 2031, total employment in Brantford is expected to grow to 53,000, an increase of 15,800 jobs. The employment sector with the largest amount of jobs is the industrial sector and this sector is expected to continue to be the most important provider of jobs in 2031. The commercial, population related and the institutional sectors are expected to grow at a rate that is commensurate with population growth. According to the Census data, approximately 1700 jobs in 2001 were at home. The number of at home jobs is expected to more than double by 2031 to about 4,000 jobs. | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p> <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p> <p>OPA #125<br/>Min. Mod. #3<br/>Dec. 3/08</p> |
| 4.1.3.3 | Large-scale industrial development commenced in Brantford in the 1950's with the establishment of the Braneida industrial park, and this area satisfied the largest proportion of the City's industrial land demands, and will continue to satisfy a portion of the City's future industrial land demands. The Northwest Industrial Area will satisfy the major portion of the City's future industrial and business park land supply needs.  | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p>  |
| 4.1.3.4 | Excellent accessibility via highway, rail and air ensures a continuing competitive position for Brantford in attracting industrial and commercial development.  |   |
| 4.1.3.5 | The City recently designated 178 ha of land in the Northwest for industrial and business park land development. This area will serve an important role in meeting the industrial and business park land requirements.   | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p> <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p>  |
| 4.1.3.6 | In order for the City to maintain a progressive and competitive position in the industrial land market, the City needs to provide a range of industrial lot sizes and high quality industrial development opportunities in addition to large tracts of industrial land. An adequate supply of land is also required to accommodate new types of industrial enterprises, business park developments and service based industries. This varied supply of industrial land should enable the City to maintain and expand its employment base.   | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p>  |



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| 4.1.3.7 | <p>The City of Brantford recognizes the importance of tourism to the community, and its contribution to the City's economic base. Brantford has a number of entertainment, cultural, retail and recreational facilities which provide opportunities for tourism. The City's strategic location on the Grand River and the Trans-Canada Trail System, the city-wide multipurpose trail system, and nationally-significant built, cultural and natural heritage resources also provide many opportunities for tourism.</p> <p>The City, in consultation with the Tourism Advisory Board and appropriate groups and agencies, may pursue a tourism strategy for the City.</p> | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p> <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p> <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p> |
| 4.1.3.8 | <p>Brantford has a wide range of commercial facilities which serve the City and, to a certain extent, the surrounding area. These facilities include the downtown, various shopping centres and strip commercial developments. The City will recognize existing commercial developments and provide direction for the establishment of new commercial development in various sectors of the City.</p>  |  |

## **4.2 Provincial Context**

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| 4.2.1 | <p>There are several components of the Provincial and county highway systems, including Highway 403 and Highway 24, that traverse the City and provide important inter-regional transportation connections between the City and other areas of the Province.</p>   | <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p>  |
| 4.2.2 | <p>The Province has provided financial assistance to the City for the redevelopment and revitalization of several older areas of the municipality, including the downtown core.</p>  |  |
| 4.2.3 | <p>Financial assistance has been provided to the City by the Province and the Grand River Conservation Authority for the establishment of significant flood control measures to ameliorate potential impacts to life and property within the flood-prone areas of the City.</p>  |  |
| 4.2.4 | <p>In the preparation of this Official Plan, the City of Brantford has had regard to relevant provincial legislation and to policy statements that have been approved in accordance with The Planning Act and the Places to Grow Act. The policies contained within this Plan are consistent with these provincial policies.</p> | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p> <p>OPA #84<br/>July 14/00</p> <p>OPA #125<br/>Dec. 3/08</p> |



## **5. THE OFFICIAL PLAN CONCEPT**

### **5.1 Introduction**

- 5.1.1 This section establishes the conceptual framework for the ultimate development of the City of Brantford and, therefore, the framework within which the Official Plan has been developed.

### **5.2 Residential Areas**

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- 5.2.1 Residential Areas include those lands presently containing residential land uses and additional residential lands necessary to satisfy the long-term residential land requirements of the City.

- 5.2.2 Conservation of the City's older housing stock will be encouraged as these stable residential areas represent a viable element of the City's structure.

- 5.2.3 The "infilling" of existing residential areas through development of vacant lands and redevelopment of existing residences will be an important component of the City's future housing stock.

- 5.2.4 The residential area in the southwest portion of the municipality will be required to meet the City's residential land needs.

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- 5.2.5 Specific dwelling unit types have been designated throughout the City with a view towards providing a range of housing types in all areas of the City. The highest density of residential development would be encouraged to locate within the core area.

- 5.2.6 Deleted

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- 5.2.7 At the present, the single-detached dwelling in various price ranges comprises the largest proportion of the housing demand, and therefore the largest proportion of the City's residential areas will contain low density residential units, such as single-detached and semi-detached dwellings. A continuing decline in household sizes, increase in non-family households, as well as an overall aging of the population, will gradually increase the demand for a wider range of housing types, forms and tenure. The demand for smaller dwelling units will be met by a supply of multiple-attached housing stock in areas designated for medium and high-density residential development.

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- 5.2.8 Housing for senior citizens, and low-to-moderate-income groups can be provided through a number of means, including: the conversion of large single-detached dwellings into two or more units, the development of mixed-use developments incorporating both residential and non-residential uses, mobile home parks as well as traditional apartment and townhouse projects.
- 5.2.9 The strengthening of residential uses within and around the core area will contribute to its revitalization, as well as address the demand for specific housing types. The core area itself may include high density residential uses, whereas the area immediately adjacent will focus on the stabilization and enhancement of the existing housing stock through redevelopment and infilling.
- 5.2.10 The Official Plan provides for the redevelopment of certain existing non-residential uses for residential purposes in appropriate locations in order to ameliorate land use conflicts.
- 5.2.11 Portions of the City subject to flooding are being protected by the construction of flood control measures, such as major dykes. Vacant developable lands within these areas are considered for future residential use, particularly multiple-attached developments where lower storeys can be utilized for other than habitable space.

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### **5.3 Commercial Areas**

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- 5.3.1 The City of Brantford's retail, office and service commercial demands will generally be satisfied by a series of shopping areas well distributed throughout the municipality. These shopping areas need to be flexible enough to respond to changing trends in retailing.
- 5.3.2 The downtown core will be recognized as an important component of the City's commercial development, and opportunities to expand upon its role as a result of existing and proposed developments will be encouraged. The core area will also expand its role within the City through the provision of other uses such as housing and tourism development. In this regard, high density residential development will be provided within the core, together with a broad range of retail, service and office commercial uses, government administrative facilities, tourist, cultural and educational facilities.
- 5.3.3 Shopping areas of various sizes are located throughout the City to serve the daily, weekly and major shopping needs of the City and, to a certain extent, the shopping needs of surrounding municipalities.
- 5.3.4 Existing strip commercial development within the City will be recognized but strictly controlled with respect to expansion or development of new strip commercial uses. In this regard, new commercial operations can then be directed to appropriate locations within the City where they best serve the demands of the residents.

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- 5.3.5 Commercial areas along major arterial roads which are identified as intensification corridors on "Schedule 1-2 – Growth Management Plan", will intensify over-time with a range of uses in addition to commercial development, including residential, office, institutional, and other uses in mixed use and single use buildings.

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## **5.4 Industrial Areas**

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| 5.4.1 | Industrial Areas include those lands presently containing industrial uses and additional industrial lands necessary to satisfy the long term industrial requirements of the City. Industrial areas should provide a broad range of individual lot sizes which satisfy the industrial requirements of various industrial operations. The Official Plan must also recognize changing economic conditions and the changing needs of business and service sector industries. | OPA #49<br>June 1/95                              |
| 5.4.2 | Wherever appropriate, the City's older industrial areas will be preserved as viable industrial areas. Other older industrial areas will be encouraged over the long-term to redevelop for other uses as these areas are considered inappropriate for continued industrial development of the present type.   |   |
| 5.4.3 | The large existing industrial area along Highway 403 in the eastern portion of the municipality and a new industrial area along Highway #403 in the northwest will be important to satisfying the City's industrial land requirements, and municipal services can readily be made available to vacant lands within these areas within the short-term.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 5.4.4 | Development of the new industrial area in the northwest will be enhanced by the provision of a major intra-municipal transportation connection to Highway 403, thereby facilitating direct access through the City.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95                              |
| 5.4.5 | The provision of a high quality of industrial development is important where it abuts highways and/or residential areas. At these areas, development will be subject to higher development standards with respect to site design, access connections, landscaping, and outdoor storage.  | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                             |
| 5.4.6 | Deleted  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95                              |
| 5.4.7 | The City will encourage the development, particularly by the private sector, of industrial malls or condominiums as a means of providing small industrial buildings to industrial operations looking for available floorspace to buy/lease, instead of acquiring and developing property.  |   |



**5.5 Institutional Areas**OPA #84  
July 14/00

- 5.5.1 Existing major institutional facilities within the City, such as the high schools and the John Noble Home, have been recognized and designated as an important component of the City's land uses.
- 5.5.2 New major institutional uses shall only be permitted by amendment to the Official Plan.

**5.6 Open Space Areas**OPA #84  
July 14/00

- 5.6.1 A connected system of public and private parks and open spaces is an integral element of the City's urban structure and will be encouraged wherever possible
- 5.6.2 The provision of an interconnected open space system, with a view to creating a barrier free corridor, will be enhanced by further development of the area abutting the Grand River. Further studies may be needed to determine in detail how a connected open space system can be achieved.

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June 1/95



# PART II

## The Official Plan



## **6. THE OFFICIAL PLAN**

### **6.1 General**

- 6.1.1 The general purpose of this Official Plan is to establish land use designations and policies for the physical development and redevelopment of the City of Brantford, having regard to social, economic and environmental matters. The Official Plan is also the planning framework within which Council considers development proposals.
- 6.1.2 The Official Plan is applicable to all lands within the corporate municipal boundaries of the City of Brantford.
- 6.1.3 Sections 6 to 20 inclusive constitute the Official Plan of the City of Brantford.
- 6.1.4 **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan; Schedule 1-2 – Growth Management Plan; Schedule 2- Modified Policy Areas; Schedule 3-1 – Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas; Schedule 3-2 – Natural Heritage: Mineral Resources; Schedule 3-3 – Natural Heritage: Wetland Areas; Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain; Schedule 4-2 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain Breach Zone; Schedule 4-3 – Community Health and Safety: Steep Slope Erosion Hazard; Schedule 4-4 - Community Health and Safety: Slope Setback; Schedule 4-5 – Community Health and Safety: Abandoned Landfill Sites; Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan; Schedule 5-2 - Transportation: Road Widenings; Schedule 5-3 – Transportation: Bikeway and Trails Network Plan 7-1 – West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Community Structure, Schedule 7-2 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Land Use Plan, Schedule 7-3 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Transportation Plan and Schedule 7-4 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Greenlands Plan** constitute part of the Official Plan of the City of Brantford and must be read in conjunction with Section 6-20 inclusive.
- 6.1.5 This Official Plan is intended to promote an overall framework of goals and objectives for the long term planning and development of the City of Brantford. Goals and objectives shall be considered collectively and individual statements should not be interpreted singly, but in the context of all statements.

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June 1/95  
OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09

OPA #84  
July 14/00

OPA #160  
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OPA #49  
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OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

OPA #192  
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## **6.2 Goals and Objectives of the Official Plan**

### **6.2.1 Preamble**

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June 1/95

The kind of community we live and work in is influenced by many factors, some of which are:

- a) the desires and aspirations of the residents expressed either directly or through their elected representatives;
- b) policies established by senior levels of government;
- c) changes in the commercial sector of the economy based on shifts in consumer demands;
- d) changes in the industrial sector of the economy resulting from much larger changes taking place throughout Ontario and across North America;
- e) the financial capability of the City;
- f) the past and anticipated changes to the community's population in terms of both size and composition; and
- g) the locational characteristics of the City and its physical and environmental setting.

These factors often compete with each other as well as contributing to the quality of life experienced by the community. The intent of the Official Plan is to ensure a balance among these factors which results in a community providing a sustainable environment which is safe, healthy and diverse.

The balance to be achieved is summarized in the following statements:

To promote and build on the distinctive character and locational advantages of Brantford through the responsible utilization of our natural, cultural and economic opportunities.

To provide quality municipal services by responding to the priorities of the community based on its evolving needs and resources in an efficient and sensitive manner.

### **6.2.2 Principle Goal**

To promote and build on the distinctive character and locational advantages of Brantford through the responsible utilization of our natural, cultural and economic resources to meet the evolving needs of the community in an efficient and sensitive manner.



### 6.2.3 Housing Goal

Ensure that a wide range of housing types and location opportunities are available to accommodate the anticipated population.

#### 6.2.3.1 Housing Objectives

- a) Promote the rehabilitation of housing stock.
- b) Provide for intensification in existing residential neighbourhoods which enhances the positive characteristics of those neighbourhoods.
- c) Ensure affordable housing is available to a population with diverse social, physical and economic needs.
- d) Ensure the provision of a supply of housing opportunities that meet the needs and aspirations of the community.
- e) Ensure that new residential areas develop in a cohesive and efficient manner without adverse impact on the natural environment.

### 6.2.4 Natural Environment Goal

Sustain and enhance significant natural environments in the community.

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Dec. 3/08

#### 6.2.4.1 Natural Environment Objectives

- a) Identify, catalogue and protect significant natural resources within the community recognizing linkages between and among natural heritage features and areas, surface water features and groundwater features.
- b) Sustain and enhance both visual and physical access to the Grand River including increased opportunities for appropriate public use and work towards improved quality of the river.
- c) Direct development away from lands containing significant natural heritage features such as wetlands, habitat of endangered and threatened species, oak savannahs, tallgrass prairie remnants, woodlots, ravines with watercourses, and forested areas.
- d) Ensure that development of land adjacent to the Grand River is compatible with the Grand River's status as a Canadian Heritage River.
- e) Recognize the portion of the Grand River identified as "exceptional waters" and maintain the ecological integrity and other unique features of the river corridor.

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Dec. 3/08



**6.2.5 Economic Goal**

Provide opportunities for a viable economic base for the community.

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OMB Approved  
Dec. 17/10

**6.2.5.1 Economic Objectives**

- a) Ensure that new commercial development has regard for current and future market demands and existing commercial facilities.
- b) Ensure that new development does not have an adverse impact on the natural environment.
- c) Promote the development of a four season tourism industry including both private and public facilities.
- d) Provide opportunities for the diversification of the commercial and industrial base through the full use of both existing land use structures and new areas.
- e) Provide for an appropriate mix and range of employment (including industrial, commercial, office and institutional uses) to meet long-term needs.
- f) Provide opportunities for a diversified economic base including maintaining a range and choice of suitable sites for employment uses which support a wide range of economic activities and ancillary uses, and take into account the needs of existing and future businesses.
- g) Plan to protect and preserve employment areas for current and future uses, while acknowledging the need for renewed investment and redevelopment, and recognizing that the use of older industrial brownfield sites and/or regeneration areas, should reflect priorities related to neighbourhood renewal, land use, compatibility, and intensification.
- h) Promote economic development and competitiveness by ensuring a viable and diverse economic base for the community.

**6.2.6 Municipal Servicing Goal**

Ensure that the community has safe and adequate water supply, sewage disposal, stormwater management, solid waste handling and other public utility facilities.

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

**6.2.6.1 Municipal Servicing Objectives**

- a) Ensure that solid waste handling facilities are operated in a manner which protects the environment and public health now and in the future.
- b) Ensure that extension of the municipal piped services facilitates orderly, contiguous growth.
- c) Ensure the maximum use of existing servicing systems.



- d) Planning for sewage and water services shall direct and accommodate expected growth in a manner that promotes the efficient use of existing municipal sewage services and municipal water services.
- e) Municipal sewer and water service systems shall be provided in a sustainable, financially viable, and safe manner.

## **6.2.7 Transportation Goal**

Provide a comprehensive, integrated, accessible transportation network for the safe movement of people and goods.

### **6.2.7.1 Transportation Objectives**

- a) Maintain an appropriate road network to accommodate commercial, industrial and private vehicular traffic, incorporating where possible and desirable provision for alternative modes of transportation.
- b) Make provisions for linkages in new development areas and where possible, provide similar linkages in developed areas and areas to be redeveloped.
- c) Provide for a public transit service which is a viable alternative to private vehicular transportation.
- d) Encourage and promote rail, and other intercity transportation.
- e) Promote a land use pattern, density and mix of uses that minimize the length and number of vehicle trips and support the development of viable choices and plans for public transit and other alternative transportation modes.
- f) Planning for all modes of transportation shall accommodate expected growth in a manner that promotes the efficient use of existing municipal and provincial transportation networks.
- g) Municipal transportation networks shall be provided in a sustainable, financially viable, and safe manner.

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## **6.2.8 Open Planning Process Goal**

Provide an open planning process.

### **6.2.8.1 Open Planning Process Objectives**

- a) Promote timely decision making by informing the public early through studies, reports and information on specific and general planning issues affecting the community.
- b) Ensure the public, representing a balance of interests, has ample opportunity to express their views on planning issues.
- c) Provide opportunities for public participation in establishing goals and developing and implementing policy.



**6.2.9 Barrier Free Community Goal**

Improve accessibility for persons with disabilities and the elderly to remove barriers to their full participation in the community.

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**6.2.9.1 Barrier Free Community Objectives**

- a) Provide a transportation network that recognizes the needs of a physically diverse population.
- b) Ensure that all development accommodates a population with diverse physical needs.

**6.2.10 Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Goal**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

Sustain, conserve and enhance significant built environments.

**6.2.10.1 Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Objectives**

- a) Identify, inventory and conserve lands, cultural heritage landscapes, buildings, structures and sites of historic, architectural and archaeological values.

**6.2.11 Natural Resources Goal**

OPA #125  
Min. Mod. #4  
Dec. 3/08

Ensure the orderly extraction of mineral aggregate resources and the appropriate rehabilitation and re-use of active sites.

**6.2.12 Public Health & Safety Goal**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

Direct development away from areas of natural or human-made hazards where there is an unacceptable risk to public health and safety or of property damage.

**6.2.12.1 Public Health & Safety Objectives**

- a) Promote the rehabilitation of contaminated sites and encourage appropriate re-use opportunities.
- b) Permit new development only on lands that can physically accommodate such development in an environmentally sound manner.
- c) Provide for reasonable and safe use of lands within the Grand River flood plain in accordance with the protection afforded by flood control works.
- d) Prohibit development within a flood way.



**6.2.13 Growth Management Goal**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

Provide for the efficient use of urban land resources through the planning of appropriate greenfield development, intensification and redevelopment opportunities and provision of adequate densities and mix of land uses that promote a compact urban form.

**6.2.13.1 Growth Management Objectives**OPA #125  
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- a) Establish appropriate minimum densities for greenfield areas and the urban growth centre.
- b) Encourage intensification of people and jobs in the urban growth centre, within existing neighbourhoods, and along intensification corridors and nodes within the existing built up areas.
- c) New development in existing built up areas should have a compact form, and an appropriate mix of uses and densities that allow for the efficient use of land, infrastructure and public service facilities.
- d) Provide sufficient land to accommodate an appropriate range and mix of employment opportunities, housing and other land uses to meet projected needs for the Official Plan timeframe.
- e) Encourage the remediation and redevelopment of brownfield sites to uses that revitalize neighbourhoods.
- f) Encourage the revitalization, redevelopment, reuse and/or conversion of greyfields, underutilized sites, or regeneration areas within which are included any combination of the following: brownfield sites, greyfield sites, underutilized sites, or sites within the City's Urban Growth Centre.
- g) Encourage new development and revitalization within the urban growth centre, intensification corridors and other key intensification areas which will result in the long term (beyond 2031) in a dense, more urban condition including active, pedestrian supportive streets that are compatible with, and enhance, adjacent land uses.

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Dec. 20/13



**6.2.14 Downtown Brantford Goal**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

Provide a vibrant and successful downtown.

**6.2.14.1 Downtown Brantford Objectives**

- a) Promote the revitalization of the City's downtown through a mixture of various commercial, office, residential, cultural, entertainment, educational, institutional and recreational facilities.
- b) Support the expansion of the post-secondary campus within the downtown.



## **7. LAND USE**

### **7.1 General**

- 7.1.1 Lands within the City are designated in accordance with **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, and the policies for each land use designation are set out in this Section. It is intended that development within the City of Brantford will take place in accordance with the land uses designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, which establishes the general pattern of development within the City.
- OPA #49  
June 1/95
- There are fifteen specific land use categories, with each category having related functions which under normal circumstances are compatible. The land use categories on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** include:
- OPA #160  
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- Residential Area - Low Density
  - Residential Area - Medium Density
  - Residential Area - High Density
  - Core Commercial Area
  - District Centre Commercial Area
  - Community Centre Commercial Area
  - Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area
  - General Commercial Area
  - Mixed Commercial - Residential Area
  - New Format Commercial Area
  - Mixed Industrial - Commercial Area
  - General Industrial Area
  - Business Park Area
  - Major Institutional Area
  - Major Open Space
  - West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area
- OPA #84  
July 14/00
- 7.1.2 Certain land use designations and policies may be subject to additional requirements or restrictions in accordance with the other sections and **Schedules 1-2** to **7-4**, inclusive, of this Official Plan. Therefore reference should be made to all sections and Schedules of the Official Plan when determining all of the policies which apply.
- OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09
- Min. Mod. #1  
Nov. 4/87  
OPA #49  
June 1/95  
OPA #84  
July 14/00  
OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08
- 7.1.3 The following uses shall be permitted in all land use designations:
- .1 public roads, in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.3 of this Official Plan;
  - .2 rail lines and facilities, in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.5 of this Official Plan;
- OPA #84  
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OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
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| .3 | public parkettes, tot lots, neighbourhood parks and open spaces and open space linkages in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.6.10 of this Official Plan;   | OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11                                |
| .4 | public utilities and services, such as collection, treatment and distribution of sanitary sewage, water, storm water, gas, telephone and cable services, but excluding such facilities as municipal works yards, bus terminals or garages, or postal stations; |  |
| .5 | fire, ambulance, and police stations, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.1.5 of this Official Plan;  |  |
| .6 | nursery schools and day care centres, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.1.6 of this Official Plan; and  |  |
| .7 | any undertaking of the Ontario Hydro Services Company which has been approved under the Environmental Assessment Act, existing electric power facilities, and undertakings which have been granted an exemption under the Environmental Assessment Act.        | Min. Mod. #2<br>Nov. 4/87<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
- 7.1.4 Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.1.3(1) to (.7), these uses shall be prohibited within any Residential Area designation on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** where:
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| .1 | the magnitude or character of the uses are incompatible with residential uses;  |  |
| .2 | the function, operation or activities of the uses, such as parking or traffic, would adversely impact on the residential uses; or |  |
| .3 | the development does not incorporate adequate on-site screening and buffering to ameliorate any adverse impacts.                  |  |
- 7.1.5 Fire, ambulance, and police stations may be permitted in any land use designation in accordance with the following policies:
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| .1 | The site has frontage on, and direct access to a Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road; | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97 |
| .2 | The site access will not create traffic hazards on surrounding roads;                                    |                       |
| .3 | The site area is sufficient to provide all necessary parking and other required facilities on-site;      |                       |
| .4 | The site is functionally accessible to the area which the station is intended to service;                |                       |



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| .5    | The site is adequate in size to incorporate all necessary buffering or screening in order to minimize potential conflicts between land uses, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan; and  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| .6    | The site is zoned appropriately in the implementing Zoning Bylaw.  |  |
| 7.1.6 | Nursery schools and day care centres as licensed under the Day Nurseries Act, may be permitted in any land use designation in accordance with the following policies:  |  |
| .1    | The site has direct access to a Minor Collector, Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road;   | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97                            |
| .2    | The traffic generated will not create traffic hazards on surrounding roads;  |  |
| .3    | The site is served by public transit, where feasible;  |  |
| .4    | Adequate on-site parking and drop-off facilities are provided so as not to interfere with traffic movements on surrounding roads;  |  |
| .5    | Landscaping and screening are provided to minimize potential conflicts with adjacent land uses;  |  |
| .6    | Nursery school and day care facilities may be permitted within multiple-family residential and non-residential buildings, provided that the provisions of subsections (.1) through (.5) above are satisfied. Where such facilities are located in non-residential buildings in an industrial or commercial area, direct access to a Collector or Arterial Road may not be required; and  |  |
| .7    | The site is zoned appropriately in the implementing Zoning Bylaw.  |  |
| 7.1.7 | <b>RENUMBERED</b> (Now Section 7.6.10)   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                            |
| 7.1.8 | The City shall encourage the needs of persons with disabilities be considered in each development.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                            |
| 7.1.9 | It is the City's intent to provide for the relocation of adult entertainment parlours and body rub uses out of the Core Commercial Area and away from sensitive land uses when licenses are not renewed. Sensitive land uses include such uses as residential areas, churches and places of worship, nursery and day care centres.<br><br>Adult entertainment uses and body rub parlours shall not locate any closer than 300 metres to each other, and any sensitive land uses and any controlled access highway. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                            |



## **7.2 Residential Areas**

### **7.2.1 General**

7.2.1.1 Within a Residential Area as designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, the predominant use of the land shall be for residential dwellings in accordance with the more specific provisions of Sections 7.2.2, 7.2.3, and 7.2.4 of this Official Plan. The City of Brantford has the following residential designations:

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- .1 Low Density;
- .2 Medium Density; and
- .3 High Density.

7.2.1.2 Secondary uses which may be permitted in all Residential Area designations include:

- .1 churches and places of worship on less than 1 hectare of land;
- .2 elementary schools and other uses permitted pursuant to the Education Act, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.2.1.13 and 7.2.1.14 of this Official Plan;
- .3 Convenience Commercial Uses, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.3.9 of this Official Plan;
- .4 home occupations, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.2.1.15 of this Official Plan;
- .5 mobile homes, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.2.1.16 of this Official Plan;
- .6 group homes and emergency housing licensed or approved by the Federal or Provincial Government, in conformity with the prevailing residential land use designation, subject to the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw;
- .7 senior citizens' housing, in conformity with the prevailing residential land use designation;
- .8 Parkettes and Tot Lots, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.6.11 of this Official Plan;
- .9 Neighbourhood Parks & Open Spaces, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.6.12 of this Official Plan; and
- .10 buildings and structures accessory to the permitted uses.

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| 7.2.1.3  | Where feasible, secondary uses shall be grouped together to serve as focal points for residential areas, and to encourage the integration of parking, landscaping, and other facilities.   |  |
| 7.2.1.4  | Residential density is expressed as a range of units per net residential hectare. Minor variances to these densities may be permitted where the intent of this Official Plan is maintained.  |  |
| 7.2.1.5  | Detailed standards for residential lot building requirements shall be established in the Zoning Bylaw.   |  |
| 7.2.1.6  | Residential development shall be designed to achieve a variety of visual effects which may be produced by curvilinear roads, topography, existing vegetation and open spaces.  |  |
| 7.2.1.7  | Innovative housing types, zoning standards, housing intensification and subdivision designs shall be encourage to accommodate changing housing needs and affordability and to assist in achieving a compact urban form.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95                             |
| 7.2.1.8  | Energy conservation will be incorporated where appropriate, into the design of residential plans of subdivision and development proposals, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.7 of this Official Plan.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| 7.2.1.9  | Noise attenuation measures shall be incorporated into residential development where required, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.5 of this Official Plan.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| 7.2.1.10 | Residential development located adjacent to Provincial Highways and Major and Minor Arterial Roads shall be designed to be aesthetically pleasing and sensitive to road conditions.  | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97                            |
| 7.2.1.11 | Residential development shall be serviced with full municipal sanitary sewer, water supply and storm sewer services, except as otherwise permitted in this Official Plan.  |  |
| 7.2.1.12 | Where residential development is located adjacent to any non-residential development, building setbacks, landscaping, screening and other forms of buffering shall be provided to minimize the potential impact of these developments on the residential development, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |



- 7.2.1.13 Elementary schools and other uses permitted pursuant to the Education Act may be permitted in any Residential Area designation, in accordance with the following policies:
- .1 Schools sites shall be provided in accordance with the standards of the appropriate Board of Education;
  - .2 The precise extent and location of the site delineated by symbols on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, shall be determined in conjunction with the development application; OPA #125  
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  - .3 Where a vacant school site indicated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** is not required by either Board of Education, or is to be relocated, the lands may be developed in accordance with their underlying land-use designation without an amendment to this Official Plan;
  - .4 The development of schools in conjunction with municipal parkland and other community or recreational facilities may be considered, so that a complementary integration of lands and facilities may be achieved;
  - .5 The co-ordinated use of recreational facilities located within schools, or on school properties, by the City will be encouraged;
  - .6 Adequate parking and other required facilities shall be provided on site;
  - .7 Direct pedestrian access may be provided to schools from all parts of the surrounding residential area;
  - .8 Schools shall generally have frontage on a Minor or Major Collector Road. OPA #59  
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- 7.2.1.14 Where a school site shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** is determined to be surplus to the Board of Education's requirements under the provisions of the Education Act, the following policies shall apply:
- .1 The redevelopment of the school site in accordance with its underlying land use designation as indicated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, may be permitted without amendment to this Official Plan; OPA #125  
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  - .2 The following uses shall also be permitted within school sites, subject to the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw and to site plan approval:



- i) community centres;
- ii) municipal or private libraries;
- iii) municipal recreational uses;
- iv) private education resource centres and private schools;
- v) private special education facilities.

.3 The City may consider the acquisition of vacant school sites, surplus schools, or school yards for municipal park and open space purposes.

7.2.1.15 Home occupation uses may be permitted in any Residential Area designation in accordance with the following policies:

- .1 The use is carried on entirely within the dwelling unit, and can be appropriately accommodated within a residential structure;
- .2 The home occupation use is clearly secondary to the primary use of the property as a residence, in terms of floor space utilization, and is compatible with the surrounding residential uses;
- .3 The property is the principal residence of the person carrying on the home occupation use;
- .4 No outside storage of goods, materials, equipment or service vehicles related to the home occupation use will be permitted;
- .5 The activities associated with the home occupation use, including traffic and hours of operation, do not adversely affect the surrounding residential uses;
- .6 Adequate on-site parking, where required for the home occupation use, is provided in locations which are compatible with the surrounding residential uses and;
- .7 Any sign identifying the home occupation use shall be limited, in accordance with the Sign Bylaw;
- .8 A home occupation use that is not compatible with surrounding land uses and adversely affects the surrounding residential uses will be encouraged to relocate to the appropriate Commercial or Industrial designation.

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7.2.1.16 Mobile homes may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

- .1 The lands are designated Residential Area - Low Density or Residential Area - Medium Density in the Official Plan;
- .2 The lands are developed as a comprehensive proposal involving several mobile homes;
- .3 The development will be serviced with full municipal sanitary sewer, water supply and storm sewer services;



.4	The use shall require an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw;	
5	The development shall provide adequate parkland to serve the development;	
.6	The development is compatible with adjacent existing and planned land uses;	
.7	Development is to proceed by way of plan of subdivision or by way of a rental complex under central management and shall be subject to site plan approval in accordance with the provisions of Section 18.10 of this Official Plan; and	Min. Mod. #3 Nov. 4/87 OPA #84 July 14/00 OPA #170 Sept. 12/11
.8	Access to the development is provided to and from a public road.	
7.2.1.17	Where an application is made for the redevelopment of a surplus school site in accordance with Sections 7.2.1.14, or a place of worship site in the Residential Area – Low Density designation, such an application will be evaluated based on submission of a report which justifies the proposed change in use, together with proposed plan of subdivision, condominium or site plan and supporting technical studies. The proposed development shall also enhance/benefit the immediately surrounding area and conform to other policies of this Plan.	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08 OPA No. 184 Dec. 20/13
7.2.1.18	Renumbered (Now Section 7.6.12)	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
7.2.1.19	An increase in residential density and/or a decrease in the relevant on-site parking standards may be considered for senior citizens housing and affordable housing projects within Residential Area - Medium Density and High Density designations, relative to the age of the structure and automobile ownership trends of the residents.	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
7.2.1.20	Gradation of residential densities may be used to avoid conflicts between residential development of different densities. Where multiple-family residential development abuts low density residential development, adequate screening and buffering will be provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan, in order to protect the amenity of the low density residential development.	OPA #84 July 14/00  OPA #170 Sept. 12/11
7.2.1.21	Where new residential development is proposed in an area contiguous to residential development existing at the date of adoption of this Official Plan, the proposed development shall be of a scale and character compatible with the existing residences.	OPA #49 June 1/95
7.2.1.22	Intensification to create two or more dwelling units on lands designated "Residential Area – Low Density" through the infilling of vacant lots, the redevelopment of a residential lot or lots to create two or more dwelling units per lot beyond those which existed prior to the redevelopment, the conversion of existing buildings or structures to residential uses or the	OPA #49 June 1/95  OPA #184 Dec. 20/13



creation of additional residential units within existing residential development may be permitted subject to the following criteria:

- a) the availability of adequate municipal water and sewage facilities;
- b) the provisions of Section 14 – Urban Design of this Plan and the City’s Urban Design Guidelines;
- c) the applicable standards of the Comprehensive Zoning By-law with respect to off-street parking;
- d) site plan control;
- e) the development is on a public or condominium road;
- f) the City is satisfied with the proposed grading, drainage and stormwater management and, in particular that there is no impact on adjacent properties;
- g) heritage resources are protected in keeping with City policies and regulations and the Ontario Heritage Act, including adaptive reuse of designated heritage buildings and structures;
- h) The proposed development protects trees or other natural features identified as significant by the City;
- i) new development should utilize the same type of building material as existing dwellings which front on the same street and shall be designed so that garages are not dominant features in the streetscape and the redevelopment relates to the street; and
- j) building design, screening (e.g. fencing and landscaping) and the location of air conditioning units, pool pumps and other similar facilities protects the privacy of residents of existing, abutting residential development. “



### **7.2.2 Residential Area - Low Density**

- 7.2.2.1 Within a Residential Area - Low Density as designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, the main permitted uses shall include single-detached, semi-detached, duplex and triplex residential dwellings.
- 7.2.2.2 Maximum net residential density for residential development shall generally not exceed 30 units per net residential hectare.
- 7.2.2.3 A variety of lot and dwelling unit sizes shall be provided within these designations, in order to reflect the spacious, open character usually associated with low density residential development.

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### **7.2.3 Residential Area - Medium Density**

- 7.2.3.1 Within a Residential Area - Medium Density as designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, the main permitted uses shall include townhouse, rowhouse, fourplex, low-rise apartments, and other forms of low-rise multiple-unit dwellings.
- 7.2.3.2 Maximum net residential density for residential development shall generally not exceed 60 units per net residential hectare, except in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.2.3.6 of this Official Plan.
- 7.2.3.3 Designation of additional Residential Areas - Medium Density shall require an amendment to the Official Plan. Applications will be reviewed on the basis of general conformity with the following criteria:
- .1 Location adjacent to a Minor Collector, Major Collector, Minor Arterial, Major Arterial Road, or a Local Road that meets current City standards;
  - .2 Proximity to commercial facilities, such as Community and Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Areas;
  - .3 Location where the development provides a physical transition between lower density and higher density residential uses or non-residential uses or major roads;
  - .4 Access to public transit;
  - .5 Site area is adequate to provide all necessary parking and other required facilities on-site; and
  - .6 Proximity to natural amenities, parks and open spaces and other community facilities.

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7.2.3.4 Lands designated Residential Area - Medium Density shall be developed on the basis of conformity with comprehensive development plans which are intended to indicate layout of buildings, parking and landscaping areas, and access points, over all lands under the designation, such that development on individual properties can be integrated where possible with that of adjacent properties, with particular regard for common elements such as access points, driveways, landscaping and parking areas.

7.2.3.5 Where development within a designated Residential Area - Medium Density designation is adjacent, or in immediate proximity to development within a Residential Area - Low Density designation, any potential adverse impacts between the developments shall be mitigated through building setbacks, visual screening, landscaping, fencing, and other forms of buffering, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan.

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7.2.3.6 Residential development at a density exceeding 60 units per net residential hectare, but not exceeding 86.5 units per net residential hectare, may be permitted without an amendment to this Official Plan where such development is considered to be in the public interest, in accordance with the following policies:

- .1 The development satisfied the criteria of Section 7.2.3.3 of this Official Plan;
- .2 The property exhibits a physical characteristic which constrains development of the site, such as an irregular configuration, small lot area, or location adjacent to a Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road or a Provincial Highway or rail line;
- .3 The development is compatible with adjacent existing and planned land uses;
- .4 The development provides adequate landscaping, buffering, recreational facilities, and parking on-site; and
- .5 Maximum building height shall not exceed four storeys.

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#### **7.2.4 Residential Area - High Density**

7.2.4.1 Within a Residential Area - High Density as designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, the main permitted uses shall include apartments and other forms of multiple-unit dwellings.

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7.2.4.2 Maximum net residential density for the high density residential developments shall not generally exceed 200 units per net residential



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7.2.4.3 Lands designated Residential Area - High Density shall be developed on the basis of comprehensive development plans which are intended to indicate the layout of buildings, parking and landscaping areas, and access points over all lands within the designation, such that development on individual properties may be integrated with that of adjacent properties, with particular regard for common elements such as access points, driveways, landscaping and parking areas.

7.2.4.4 Where development within a Residential Area - High Density designation is in proximity to development within a Residential Area - Low or Medium Density designation, any potential adverse impacts between the developments shall be mitigated through building set-backs, visual screening, landscaping, fencing, and other forms of buffering, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan.

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7.2.4.5 Convenience Commercial Uses, as identified in Section 7.3.9 of this Official Plan, may be permitted to locate within a Residential Area - High Density designation when such uses are developed at-grade as an integral portion of the main residential structure.

7.2.4.6 The design of high density residential developments shall provide for adequate on-site open space amenities.

7.2.4.7 Designation of additional Residential Areas-High Density shall require an amendment to the Official Plan. Applications will be reviewed on the basis of general conformity with the following criteria:

- .1 Location on and access to a Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road, which does not result in traffic hazards;
- .2 Proximity to major commercial facilities, such as Core, District Centre and Community Centre Commercial Areas;
- .3 Access to public transit;
- .4 Proximity to natural amenities, parks and open spaces and other community facilities;
- .5 Site area is adequate to incorporate necessary on-site parking, recreational facilities, and buffering; and
- .6 Location where the development provides a physical transition between lower density residential uses and non-residential uses or major roads.

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**7.2.5 Modified Policy Areas**

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### 7.3 Commercial Areas

#### **7.3.1 General**

- 7.3.1.1 Within a Commercial Area as designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, the predominant use of the land shall generally be for commercial activities such as personal service, retail shopping and office facilities, and in accordance with the more specific provisions of Sections 7.3.2 to 7.3.10 inclusive of this Official Plan. The City of Brantford has the following commercial designations:
- .1 Core Commercial Area;
  - .2 District Centre Commercial Area;
  - .3 Community Centre Commercial Area;
  - .4 Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area;
  - .5 General Commercial Area;
  - .6 Deleted;
  - .7 Mixed Commercial-Residential Area; OPA #84  
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  - .8 Convenience Commercial Uses; and OPA #84  
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  - .9 New Format Commercial Area. OPA #84  
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- These designations are to allow for the full and evolving directions in commercial land use, given the City's location in Southern Ontario, in order for it to remain competitive and to meet the needs of persons within its trading area.
- 7.3.1.2 Detailed standards for commercial lot and building requirements shall be established in the Zoning Bylaw.
- 7.3.1.3 The City's retail activities are concentrated into four principal areas, including: OPA #84  
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- .1 The Lynden Road/Fairview Drive Retail Area which includes the major shopping facilities concentrated around the Lynden Road/Fairview Drive/Wayne Gretzky Parkway Area and the emerging retail corridor along Lynden Road east of Lynden Park Mall. Taken together, these retail facilities serve as a primary regional-scaled draw for the City and surrounding area;



- .2 The Wayne Gretzky Parkway/Henry Street Area, including the area south of Highway 403 adjacent to Holiday Drive, as an emerging centre for new format retailing;
  - .3 The King George Road Corridor, a traditional retailing strip which is largely built out, with a strong community retail orientation; and
  - .4 The central retail areas, which include mainly smaller-scaled, community oriented facilities, located in the Downtown Core, and along Colborne Street east and west of Downtown.
- 7.3.1.4 It is the City's intent to direct the majority of new retail development into these existing commercial areas. Priority will be given to new retail development proposals, or the removal of development caps on existing retail properties, within these retail areas. OPA #84  
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- 7.3.1.5 Every application for an amendment to the Official Plan, or an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw for commercial development in excess of 9,290 square metres of gross leasable floor area, shall be required to submit the following: OPA #84  
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- .1 a planning study demonstrating the appropriateness of the proposed development with existing and planned land uses;
  - .2 a traffic analysis, carried out in conformity to the guidelines for the preparation of transportation impact studies established by the City, indicating how the traffic generated by the proposed development can be accommodated without adverse impacts on the capacity of the road system or on adjacent land uses; OPA #59  
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  - .3 a market impact study indicating that the proposed development can be justified on the basis of market demand without severe impact on the planned function of the existing and proposed commercial structure of the City as established by the Official Plan; and OPA #84  
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  - .4 an engineering analysis, detailing that municipal services necessary to support the proposed development can be accommodated within the overall capacities of the City's servicing system.
- 7.3.1.6 The studies described in Section 7.3.1.5 may be required for commercial development under 9,290 square metres of gross leasable floor area and for those areas which fall within the Ministry of Transportation's permit control area. OPA #84  
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OPA #125  
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- 7.3.1.7 The City may require proponents to contribute to the costs of peer reviews of the studies described in Section 7.3.1.5 and 7.3.1.6. OPA #84  
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- 7.3.1.8 All development within Commercial Areas shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan regarding buffering to ensure visual separation and compatibility between the commercial use and adjacent land uses. OPA #84  
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OPA #170  
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| 7.3.1.9  | A high standard of building design and landscaping will be encouraged in all Commercial Areas, particularly where such developments are adjacent to residential development, through the requirements of the implementing Zoning Bylaw and site plan approval in accordance with the provisions of Section 18.10 of this Official Plan. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| 7.3.1.10 | All necessary parking, loading, garbage collection/ storage, and other required facilities for the development shall be provided on-site.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                                |
| 7.3.1.11 | Access to commercial properties shall generally be from Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Roads.  | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00   |
| 7.3.1.12 | Convenient access for pedestrians and integration with the Bikeways and Trails Network will be encouraged.  | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00   |
| 7.3.1.13 | Commercial operations may, as an accessory function to the main commercial use, include limited manufacturing, assembling, processing or servicing of goods sold on the premises.   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00    |
| 7.3.1.14 | Churches and places of worship shall be permitted in the District Centre Commercial Area, Community Centre Commercial Area, Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area and General Commercial Area designations.  |  |



### **7.3.2 Core Commercial Area**

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| 7.3.2.1 | The Core Commercial Area designation as shown on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> is intended to be the primary cultural, entertainment and office commercial activity area serving the City and portions of the surrounding municipalities. It is envisaged that the Core will accommodate a wide range of uses including; business, professional and government offices; institutions and cultural attractions; education facilities; retail and service uses; hotel and convention centres; entertainment, tourism and recreational facilities and multiple unit residential dwellings. Residential, Commercial, or Institutional uses may be permitted in either mixed use or single use buildings. Residential uses are not permitted on the first floor. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br><br>OPA #184<br>Dec. 20/13 |
| 7.3.2.2 | Deleted  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00                                |
| 7.3.2.4 | Within the Core Commercial Area designation shown on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> , all development shall provide adequate on-site parking in accordance with the standards of the Zoning Bylaw. Notwithstanding this, a reduction in on-site parking requirements may be permitted by bylaw as follows:   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                                |
|         | .1 The highest reduction of on-site parking standards may be permitted in that portion of the Core Commercial Area bounded by Darling Street on the north, Clarence Street on the east, Icomm Drive on the south, and Brant Avenue/West Street on the west; and  |  |
|         | .2 A lesser reduction of on-site parking standards may be permitted in the remaining portions of the Core Commercial Area.   |  |
| 7.3.2.5 | Provision of cash-in-lieu parking required under Section 7.3.2.4 may be permitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.6.5 of this Official Plan.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11                             |
| 7.3.2.6 | The City may utilize benefiting assessment within the Core Commercial Area in accordance with the Municipal Act, to finance centralized parking facilities.  |  |
| 7.3.2.7 | The City should encourage the development of a supermarket within the Core Commercial Area to satisfy the neighbourhood shopping needs of the residents of the core and surrounding residential areas.   |  |
| 7.3.2.8 | A network of pedestrian linkages shall be provided within the Core Commercial Area to enable access to all facilities and encourage the maintenance of pedestrian shopping areas and enhance accessibility between the downtown core and nearby key attractions such as the  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |



Grand River and associated trails, waterfront recreational facilities, and the Casino.

7.3.2.9 The City shall encourage the improvement of the streetscape and facades throughout the Core Commercial Area to achieve improved landscaping, sidewalks, lighting, signage and seating along streets.

7.3.2.10 Built heritage resources designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, shall be conserved where feasible in the redevelopment of the Core Area. An increase in density may be permitted where a built heritage resource is incorporated into new development, generally equivalent to the density, height and massing of the building being retained.

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7.3.2.11 Apartment development shall be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

- .1 Maximum net residential density shall not exceed 375 units per net residential hectare;
- .2 A 25% increase in residential density may be permitted where senior citizens, low-income or assisted housing is incorporated into the development;
- .3 Apartments as an upper-storey use over non-residential uses located at-grade shall be permitted in all portions of the Core Commercial Area; and
- .4 On-site recreational and open space amenity space shall be provided in all apartment developments.

7.3.2.12 Improvements to the Core Commercial Area in the form of infill development, upgrading and rehabilitation shall be encouraged, including the rear of buildings which are visible from adjacent streets.

7.3.2.13 Automobile service uses, retail warehousing and commercial uses requiring extensive sites are considered incompatible with this area and shall be encouraged to relocate.

7.3.2.14 The maintenance of a public transit terminal area providing transit connections to all areas of the City and inter-urban transit systems will be encouraged.

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7.3.2.15 Streetscape improvements, landscaping and significant building forms will be encouraged at the major entranceways to the Core Commercial Area and, in particular, in the areas adjacent to Dalhousie, Clarence, and Colborne Streets, Brant Avenue and the Lorne Bridge and Market Street South.

7.3.2.16 Development of the lands immediately adjacent to the Victoria Square Park shall complement the form and scale of existing buildings.



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| 7.3.2.17 | Pedestrian and visual linkages between the Core Commercial Area and the Grand River waterfront will be provided, wherever possible. The retention of the railway bridges across the Grand River, when they are abandoned, may be encouraged, where feasible, for use as a pedestrian and bicycle linkage to and from the core area. Pedestrian and bicycle linkages to the Bikeways and Trails Network will also be encouraged.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97   |
| 7.3.2.18 | <p>The City's intent is to encourage new development in the Core Commercial area which preserves and enhances the heritage character, human scale, built form, pedestrian orientation and attractive streetscape character of this district.</p> <p>.1 New buildings on lands designated Core Commercial area shall generally not exceed 8 storeys in height. Taller buildings may be considered through an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw, subject to the provision of additional setbacks, their compatibility with the height and massing of surrounding buildings, and the provisions of adequate buffering and mitigation measures to minimize sun-shadow effects on surrounding properties.</p> <p>The City may require applicants to undertake an urban design study and sun shadow impact study to document how these requirements are addressed in the development proposal and how the development addresses the City's Urban Design Guidelines.</p> <p>.2 All new development should directly address the street, with pedestrian entrances and other amenities fronting the sidewalk, to create an attractive streetscape environment for pedestrians;</p> <p>.3 New buildings in areas with established street edges should respect the setbacks of surrounding buildings. In areas with fragmented street edges, or in redevelopment areas, new buildings should be built close to the street edge, to reflect traditional development patterns and to create an inviting environment for pedestrians;</p> <p>.4 Additional setbacks from the streetline may be permitted to allow for enhanced landscaping and open space in front of buildings, and for the provision of outdoor cafes and other amenities;</p> <p>.5 Parking associated with new development will be encouraged to locate in the interior of blocks and will be discouraged along street frontages;</p> <p>.6 Street-related retail, restaurants, entertainment and other pedestrian-related uses will be encouraged at grade in new developments.</p> | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #184<br>Dec. 20/13 |



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| 7.3.2.19 | The City's intent is to support the dispersed expansion of the post-secondary campus in the downtown. Expansion of such facilities is supportive of the City's objectives for the downtown. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |
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### **7.3.3 District Centre Commercial Area**

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| 7.3.3.1 | The District Centre Commercial Area designation as shown on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> shall include shopping centres or retail areas offering a broad range of retail service, and office commercial uses which serve the City and portions of the surrounding municipalities. These uses will include all the following types: retail uses; restaurants and entertainment uses; personal and business uses; recreational uses; business and professional offices and accessory uses. In addition, multiple unit residential dwellings, and institutional and entertainment uses shall be permitted. All use may be permitted in either mixed use or single use buildings in accordance with the City's Urban Design Guidelines. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br><br>OPA #184<br>Dec. 20/13 |
| 7.3.3.2 | Deleted   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| 7.3.3.3 | The following District Centre Commercial Area designations are identified in this Official Plan:<br><br>.1 the Brantford Mall on King George Road; and<br><br>.2 the Lynden Park Mall on Park Road North.   |  |
| 7.3.3.4 | Total maximum gross floor area shall not generally exceed 76,200 m <sup>2</sup> for retail uses in the Lynden Park Mall. Total maximum gross leasable floor area shall not generally exceed 38,550 m <sup>2</sup> for retail uses in the Brantford Commons.   | OPA #184<br>Dec. 20/13<br><br>OPA #195<br>June 28/16                             |
| 7.3.3.5 | Designation of additional District Centre Commercial Areas shall require an amendment to this Official Plan and shall be subject to the provisions of Section 7.3.1.5 of this Official Plan.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |

### **7.3.4 Community Centre Commercial Areas**

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| 7.3.4.1 | The Community Centre Commercial Area designation as shown on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> shall include shopping centres or retail areas offering retail, service and office commercial uses which serve one or more residential areas, up to a total maximum gross leasable floor area of 10,200 square metres. The uses envisioned in this designation will include a wide range of retail uses; restaurants and | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #184<br>Dec. 20/13 |
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entertainment uses; personal and business services; recreational uses; business and professional offices; automobile service stations; accessory buildings and structures. In addition, multiple unit residential dwellings shall be permitted. All uses may be permitted in either mixed use or single use buildings in accordance with the City's Urban Design Guidelines.

7.3.4.2 Deleted.

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7.3.4.3 Uses which shall be prohibited in a Community Commercial Area include:

- .1 major department stores;
- .2 commercial uses which cannot be accommodated within a shopping centre due to their specific requirements for loading, warehousing, outdoor storage or due to the traffic generation; and
- .3 commercial uses which serve the tourist or travelling public.

7.3.4.4 Deleted

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### **7.3.5 Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Areas**

7.3.5.1 The Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area designations as shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall include shopping centres or retail areas offering retail and service commercial uses which serve the needs of the adjacent residential area. The uses envisioned in this designation will include a wide range of retail uses including supermarkets and other retail stores; restaurants, excluding drive-thrus; personal and business services; recreational uses, excluding arcades; business and professional offices; accessory buildings and structures.

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7.3.5.2 Deleted

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7.3.5.3 Total maximum gross leaseable floor area shall generally not exceed 1,650 square metres.

7.3.5.4 The maximum height of buildings and structures shall generally not exceed two storeys.



### **7.3.6 General Commercial Areas**

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| 7.3.6.1 | The General Commercial Area designations as shown on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> shall include retail and service commercial uses that, by the nature of their function, benefit from accessibility to and visibility from Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Roads and thereby provide a service to pedestrian and automobile-borne trade. These uses will include a broad range of retail uses; restaurants and entertainment uses; hotel and motel uses; personal and business services; recreational uses; business and professional offices and accessory uses. In addition, multiple unit residential dwellings shall be permitted. All uses may be permitted in either mixed use or single use buildings in accordance with the City's Urban Design Guidelines.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br><br>OPA #184<br>Dec. 20/13 |
| 7.3.6.2 | Deleted   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00   |
| 7.3.6.3 | Uses which shall be prohibited in a General Commercial Area designation include:<br><br>.1 major and junior department stores;<br><br>.2 supermarkets, other than those existing at the date of adoption of this Official Plan.   |   |
| 7.3.6.4 | Outside storage or display of merchandise shall be permitted only in locations where their exposure would be visually acceptable, or could be screened from view, and would not impact on the character of the area.  |   |
| 7.3.6.5 | Comprehensive block development of General Commercial Area lands in separate ownerships will be encouraged in order to achieve well-designed and integrated development. To enhance the streetscape quality and pedestrian environment along major retail streets, and to achieve well-designed and integrated developments in General Commercial areas, the City will develop urban design and site planning guidelines, to be implemented during site plan review, for new development which will address the following issues:<br><br>.1 integrated internal circulation systems;<br><br>.2 co-ordinated access points, in order to minimize the total number of access points to abutting roads;<br><br>.3 compatible building design and location, in order to achieve a consistent streetscape;<br><br>.4 appropriate landscaping to enhance the pedestrian environment and streetscape quality both within the site and along the street frontage of the property; | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00                            |



- .5 integrated parking areas; and
- .6 consistent signage and lighting facilities.

However, development within an existing building or on a lot of record may be permitted subject to site plan approval and/or appropriate amendments to the zoning bylaw.

- 7.3.6.6 The applicant will indicate how development on an individual property may be co-ordinated and integrated with other properties within the surrounding General Commercial Area designation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.3.6.5.
- 7.3.6.7 Comprehensive block development will be encouraged through the provisions of the implementing Zoning Bylaw and site plan approval.
- 7.3.6.8 Development in General Commercial Area designations shall occur as infilling within the areas designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** and extensions of these areas shall only be permitted by amendment to the Official Plan.

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### **7.3.7 Deleted**

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### **7.3.8 Mixed Commercial-Residential Area**

- 7.3.8.1 The Mixed Commercial-Residential Area designation as shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall include a restricted range of retail and service commercial uses and residential uses, located in a specific portion of the City.
- 7.3.8.2 The main permitted uses shall include:
  - .1 single-detached, semi-detached, duplex, triplex, and fourplex residential dwellings;
  - .2 business and professional offices;
  - .3 townhouse, rowhouse, fourplex, low-rise apartments, and other forms of low rise multiple unit dwelling units, including lodging houses, located within a building originally constructed as a single detached residential dwelling;
  - .4 limited specialty retail stores;
  - .5 personal service stores, such as hair stylists, dry cleaning depots, and tailors;
  - .6 restaurants, excluding drive-in and take-out restaurants;

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- .7 art galleries and museums;
- .8 convenience stores;
- .9 music, dance, photography, or art schools or studios;
- .10 funeral homes;
- .11 churches and places of worship; and
- .12 accessory buildings and structures.

7.3.8.3 Uses which shall be prohibited in a Mixed Commercial-Residential Area Designation include:

- .1 department Stores;
- .2 supermarkets;
- .3 commercial uses which require extensive sites such as furniture, carpet and appliance sales, nursery garden centres, building supply outlets, and automobile dealerships;
- .4 commercial uses which serve the travelling public such as automobile sales and service centres and dealerships, hotels, motels, boat and recreational vehicle sales and service;
- .5 retail warehouses;
- .6 arcades.

7.3.8.4 Development shall generally take place through the conversion of existing buildings and structures to one or more of the permitted uses. New development may be permitted on an infilling basis, where it is compatible in type and scale with surrounding uses and buildings. Development shall be subject to the provisions of Section 14 – Urban Design of this Plan regarding intensification and redevelopment to ensure compatibility with surrounding uses and buildings.

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7.3.8.5 Outside storage or display of goods, merchandise, or equipment shall be prohibited.

7.3.8.6 Adequate parking shall be provided on-site and shall generally be located to the rear of the main front wall of the building. Parking shall be adequately screened and buffered so as not to impact on adjacent residential uses.

7.3.8.7 Commercial uses shall be located at-grade so as to encourage pedestrian access.

7.3.8.8 Any sign identifying the commercial use shall be limited in accordance with the Sign Bylaw.

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7.3.8.9 Comprehensive block development of Mixed Commercial-Residential Areas lands in separate ownerships will be encouraged, in order to achieve well-designed and integrated development, including:

- .1 integrated internal circulation systems;
- .2 co-ordinated access points, in order to minimize the total number of access points to abutting roads;
- .3 compatible building design and location, in order to achieve a consistent streetscape and to be compatible with the heritage character of adjacent properties;
- .4 complementary landscaping plans;
- .5 integrated parking areas; and
- .6 consistent signage and lighting facilities.

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7.3.8.10 Comprehensive block development will be encouraged through the provisions of the implementing Zoning Bylaw and site plan approval.

### **7.3.9 Convenience Commercial Uses**

7.3.9.1 The Convenience Commercial Uses shall include a limited range of retail and service commercial uses which serve the daily requirements of surrounding residents. Convenience Commercial Uses shall not be designated on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, but may be permitted within any Residential Area designation, by amendment to the Zoning Bylaw.

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7.3.9.2 The permitted uses shall include:

- .1 small retail stores such as convenience stores;
- .2 delicatessens and bakeries;
- .3 personal service stores, such as hair stylists, shoe repair stores, and dry cleaning depots; and
- .4 accessory buildings and structures.

7.3.9.3 Maximum gross leaseable floor area shall generally not exceed 280 square metres and contain not more than two stores.

7.3.9.4 Applications for Convenience Commercial Uses shall be reviewed on the basis of general conformity with the following policies:

- .1 The site is located at an intersection of a Minor Collector, Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road with another street;
- .2 The access to and traffic generated by the site will not create adverse traffic hazards on surrounding roads;

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- .3 Lighting and signage are located so as not to create an adverse visual impact on the surrounding residences;
- .4 The site area is adequate to incorporate all necessary screening or buffering in order to minimize potential impacts on surrounding residences, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan;
- .5 Garbage collection/storage areas shall be located and screened so as not to create an adverse impact on surrounding uses; and
- .6 No outside storage of goods or materials will be permitted.

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OPA #170  
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7.3.9.5 Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.3.9.4, Convenience Commercial Uses may also be permitted to locate within multiple-unit dwellings when developed at-grade as an integral portion of the main residential structure.

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7.3.9.6 The maximum height of buildings and structures specifically devoted to Convenience Commercial Uses generally shall be restricted to two storeys.

7.3.9.7 The need for the location of Convenience Commercial Uses shall be established during the development application process, having regard for similar commercial uses in the vicinity.

### **7.3.10 New Format Commercial Areas**

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7.3.10.1 The New Format Commercial Area designation as shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** is intended to accommodate larger format commercial uses which generally locate outside of District, Community or Neighbourhood Centres, or require extensive sites independent of traditional shopping centres. These areas function as auto-oriented destinations, which serve large market areas. The types of uses envisioned in this area include: retail and warehouse commercial uses; retail and service commercial uses; building supply and home improvement centres; home entertainment and appliance stores; large format specialty retail stores such as book stores, pet supplies, arts and crafts or similar uses; automotive supplies and sales; restaurants; offices; and other such similar uses.

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7.3.10.2 Uses in areas designated New Format Commercial will be encouraged to locate in centres to facilitate integrated design concepts. In this regard applicants will be required to provide comprehensive design concepts to address the following urban design considerations:



- .1 the relationship of buildings and parking areas to adjacent arterial roads;
- .2 pedestrian circulation and the quality of the pedestrian environment within the centre;
- .3 co-ordinated access points, in order to minimize the total number of access points to abutting roads;
- .4 design of internal vehicular circulation and loading areas;
- .5 appropriate landscaping to enhance streetscape quality along the perimeter of the site;
- .6 consistent and appropriately scaled signage and lighting facilities; and
- .7 adequate buffering and screening to ensure visual separation and compatibility between the commercial and adjacent non-commercial land uses in accordance with Section 10.6 of this Plan.

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7.3.10.3 All new development in the New Format Commercial Area designation will be subject to the requirements of Section 7.3.1.5 of this Plan, regarding requirements for planning, market, traffic and/or engineering analyses prior to approval of a zoning bylaw amendment to permit development.

7.3.10.4 The following floor plate standards shall apply to all new development in New Format Commercial Areas:

- .1 the minimum module size for all retail uses shall be 930 square metres, with the exception of supermarkets which shall have a minimum gross leasable floor area of 4,645 square metres;
- .2 small scale restaurants, automobile service station, automobile gas bars or financial institutions comprising a maximum of 464.5 square metres may be permitted in conjunction with development of the large format retail uses cited in Section 7.3.10.1.



## **7.4 Industrial Areas**

### **7.4.1 General**

- 7.4.1.1 The Industrial Area designation on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall mean that the predominant uses of the land shall be for manufacturing, assembling, processing, storage, servicing, research and development, and warehousing of goods and materials, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 7.4.2, 7.4.3, 7.4.4 and 7.4.5 of this Official Plan. The City of Brantford has the following industrial designations:
- OPA #32  
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- .1 General Industrial Area;
  - .2 Mixed Industrial-Commercial Area; and
  - .3 Business Park Industrial Area.
- These designations have been designed to allow for the full range of industrial land uses, so that the City can remain competitive within Southern Ontario.
- 7.4.1.2 Secondary uses which may be permitted in all Industrial Area designations include:
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- .1 administrative offices accessory to, and generally located within the same building as the main permitted use;
  - .2 public and private parks and open space uses;
  - .3 automobile service stations;
  - .4 limited retail commercial facilities for the sale of a portion of the goods produced or warehoused on the premises;
  - .5 residential accommodation accessory to the industrial operation, such as a caretaker's or security guard's residence;
  - .6 railway freight and passenger facilities;
  - .7 communications facilities; and
  - .8 accessory buildings and structures.
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| 7.4.1.3  | Industrial uses which are considered noxious due to methods or processes employed or materials used or produced should not be permitted in an industrial area designation and shall be specifically defined in the Zoning Bylaw.   |  |
| 7.4.1.4  | Permitted industrial development must be conducted in a manner which will prevent excessive pollution from smoke, noise, odours, dust or other forms of pollution. To minimize the impact of industries on the environment and surrounding sensitive uses, new and existing industrial operations are required to comply with all applicable governmental legislation, policies and standards, including the Environmental Protection Act. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                                |
| 7.4.1.5  | Detailed standards for industrial lot and building requirements shall be established in the Zoning Bylaw.  |  |
| 7.4.1.6  | Development within Industrial Areas shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan regarding buffering, to ensure visual separation and compatibility between the industrial development and adjacent development.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| 7.4.1.7  | All necessary parking, loading, garbage collection/ storage, and other required facilities shall be provided on site.  |  |
| 7.4.1.8  | Industrial areas shall generally be established by plans of subdivision which provide a variety of industrial lot sizes.   |  |
| 7.4.1.9  | Industrial development shall be serviced with full municipal sanitary sewer, water supply and storm sewer services, except as otherwise permitted on an interim basis in this Official Plan.   |  |
| 7.4.1.10 | The development of industrial malls, an industrial building divided into individual units for several industrial operations, will be encouraged in order to provide economic and efficient floorspace for industries. These malls may be developed on a rental or condominium basis for industrial uses permitted under the respective industrial land use designation on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> .                     | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                                |
| 7.4.1.11 | <p>Secondary uses which may be permitted to develop by way of a Zoning Bylaw Amendment in all Industrial Area designations, subject to the provisions of Section 10.6 include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) services clubs, fraternal organizations and union halls;</li> <li>ii) churches and places of worship; and</li> <li>iii) nursery schools and day care centres related to other permitted uses.</li> </ul>      | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11     |
| 7.4.1.12 | Older industrial brownfield sites provide intensification opportunities that can serve as catalysts for neighbourhood revitalization and improvement.  | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                                |



- 7.4.1.13 In terms of future industrial land needs, the City of Brantford has conducted a review and determined that manufacturing, and warehousing type operations are better located within the City's planned primary industrial park areas which have good access to arterial and collector road facilities. This will result in improved land use compatibility within inner city neighbourhoods, as well as improved economic opportunities for manufacturing and warehousing operations situated in modern industrial parks.

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It is the intent of this Official Plan that applications to redesignate brownfield sites to uses other than industrial, will be given consideration relative to the Provincial Policy Statement, Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2006, and all applicable policy of the Official Plan, to achieve the residential intensification targets of the City, and redevelopment to other uses including residential, institutional, commercial and compatible employment uses. The City, as part of its promotion of brownfield redevelopment, may pre-zone selected industrial properties planned for redevelopment and located within the Brownfields Site Community Improvement Areas.

#### **7.4.2 General Industrial Areas**

- 7.4.2.1 The General Industrial Area designation as shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall include an extensive range of industrial activities such as manufacturing, warehousing, and service operations.

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- 7.4.2.2 The main permitted uses shall include:

- .1 manufacturing, processing, assembling, storage, warehousing, and fabricating of goods and materials;
- .2 repair and service operations, including auto body repair and painting;
- .3 warehousing and bulk storage of goods;
- .4 automobile and truck rental operations;
- .5 bus, cartage, truck and transportation terminals/ depots;
- .6 recycling operation in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.4.2.5 of this Official Plan;
- .7 licensed mineral resource extraction operations, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.6 of this Official Plan;
- .8 liquid waste transfer stations, subject to the approval of all appropriate authorities;
- .9 municipal works yards;
- .10 computer, electronic, or data processing establishments;

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- .11 research and development facilities;
  - .12 scientific, technological, or communication establishments;
  - .13 limited business and professional offices whose services cater or are related to the industrial uses such as architects, engineers, planners, surveyors, or appraisers; OPA #32  
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  - .14 wholesaling and distribution of goods, but excluding sale to the general public, except as provided by Section 7.4.1.2;
  - .15 community parks and open spaces; and
  - .16 recycling industries in accordance with Section 7.4.2.5 of this Plan. OPA #84  
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- 7.4.2.3 Outdoor open storage of goods and materials may be permitted in a General Industrial Area in accordance with the following policies:
- .1 All storage areas will be located away from adjacent designated residential areas, or have adequate buffering, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan, that will visually screen the storage areas from adjacent areas; OPA #84  
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  - .2 All buffering, fencing and screening is such that it visually enhances the site and is of a permanent nature; and
  - .3 Where natural landscaping is utilized as part of the buffering, it shall be of an adequate size and nature to screen the outdoor storage.
- 7.4.2.4 **DELETED** OPA #179  
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- 7.4.2.5 Recycling Operation shall mean a lot, building, structure or a portion thereof used for an industrial operation which collects, dismantles, sorts and/or stores material for sale or shipping and may include facilities for the administration and management of the operation and for the storage and maintenance of equipment used in the operation and shall include a Salvage Yard. OPA #84  
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- Recycling Operations may be permitted in a General Industrial Area designation in accordance with the following policies:
- .1 The Zoning Bylaw may recognize existing recycling operations. Recycling Operations which are permitted in this Official Plan but were not in existence on the date of adoption of this Plan will require an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw.
  - .2 All storage areas are adequately buffered, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan, so as not to be visible from the street and adjacent properties.



- .3 Recycling Operations will be encouraged to locate in the interior of industrial areas and, where feasible, to locate adjacent to similar operations so that requirements for buffering and screening may be shared or integrated.
- .4 Recycling Operations, which use, treat, store, convert, recover or recycle tires, food wastes, oils and solvents, hazardous wastes as defined by the Province, or materials that cause noxious odours and organic wastes are not permitted except on lands owned by the City of Brantford and in conjunction with the Municipal Landfill.
- .5 No part of a lot on which a Recycling Operation is established shall fall within 100m of a lot in a non-industrial zone.
- .6 No part of a lot on which a Recycling Operation is established can be within Special Policy Area 1 or Special Policy Area 2, as shown on **Schedule 4-1 – Community Health and Safety: Floodplain**.
- .7 Open storage of recyclable materials may be permitted, in accordance with Section 7.4.2.3 of this Plan.
- .8 The establishment of new Recycling Operations and the expansion of existing Recycling Operations will be subject to site plan approval to address issues such as screening and buffering, security fencing, security lighting, and on-site drainage controls to contain spills and water used in fire fighting among other things.
- .9 The City may require certificates of occupancy for Recycling Operations.
- .10 The City, the Brant County Health Unit and all other appropriate approval authorities will be notified of the establishment of a Recycling Operation.
- .11 The City may require all Recycling Operations to be licenced by the municipality.

#### **7.4.3 Mixed Industrial-Commercial Areas**

- 7.4.3.1 The Mixed Industrial-Commercial Area designation as shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall include industrial activities which do not require outdoor storage or operating facilities, and limited retail and service commercial uses.
- 7.4.3.2 The main permitted uses shall include:
  - .1 manufacturing, processing, assembling, storage, warehousing, and fabricating of goods and materials within wholly enclosed buildings;

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- .2 automotive sales and service centres, and automotive dealerships;
- .3 boat and recreational vehicle sales and service centres;
- .4 retail warehousing uses, such as home furnishings, appliance or floor covering sales, and other uses similar thereto;
- .5 business and professional offices;
- .6 computer, electronic, or data processing establishment;
- .7 research and development facilities;
- .8 scientific, technological, or communication establishments;
- .9 convenience commercial uses;
- .10 personal service stores such as hairstylists, dry cleaning depots, and tailors;
- .11 service commercial uses such as banks and restaurants.

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7.4.3.3 A high standard of building and site design, landscaping and signage will be encouraged in the implementing Zoning Bylaw and through site plan approval.

7.4.3.4 All outdoor storage of goods associated with any commercial use shall be located away from designated residential areas, or have adequate buffering that will visually screen such storage from the residential areas in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan.

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7.4.3.5 Outdoor storage of materials, equipment or goods associated with any industrial use shall be prohibited.

#### **7.4.4 Business Park Industrial Areas**

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7.4.4.1 The Business Park Industrial Area designation as shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Lane Use Plan** shall include uses for industrial, office, and related commercial purposes on landscaped lots in a park-like setting.

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7.4.4.2 The main permitted uses shall include:

- .1 manufacturing, processing, assembling, ware-housing, fabricating, repairing, and wholesaling of goods and materials within wholly enclosed buildings;
- .2 service commercial uses that directly serve the industrial area, such as banks, restaurants, personal service stores, and convenience commercial uses;
- .3 business and professional offices;



- .4 computer, electronic or data processing establishments;
  - .5 scientific, technological or communication establishments;
  - .6 research and development facilities;
  - .7 hotels and motels;
  - .8 recreation and health clubs; and
  - .9 community parks and open spaces.
- 7.4.4.3 A high standard of building design and appearance will be required and all undeveloped parts of lots will be landscaped consistent with the intended prestige image.
- 7.4.4.4 No use that is likely to cause air pollution, odour, water pollution or excessive noise will be permitted.
- 7.4.4.5 Buffering may be required to ensure visual compatibility and fencing to ensure safety.
- 7.4.4.6 For all development, provision must be made to ensure that there is adequate capacity in the transportation network and sufficient water, sanitary and storm drainage facilities are available.
- 7.4.4.7 Office uses will not exceed a gross floor area greater than 50 percent of the lot area.
- 7.4.4.8 The areas surrounding the Highway No. 403/Oak Park Road and Highway No. 403/Garden Avenue interchanges are intended to be "Gateways" to the City, and function as focal points for the Northwest Industrial Area and Northeast Industrial Area respectively. In order to fulfill these objectives, more intensive specialized commercial uses may be permitted in the vicinity of these interchanges. Developments which fall within the Ministry of Transportation's permit control area at interchanges are subject to Ministry of Transportation policies and standards.
- 7.4.4.9 A high standard of building and site design, landscaping and signage will be encouraged in the implementing Zoning Bylaw and through Site Plan Approval, in accordance with the design criteria of Section 7.4.4.11 of this Official Plan.
- 7.4.4.10 Community Parks and Open Spaces are subject to the provisions of Section 7.6.7 of this Official Plan.
- 7.4.4.11 To achieve a high standard of building design, landscaping and streetscape, the following guidelines shall be used to evaluate developments:
- .1 Existing natural features will be recognized as opportunities for urban design and, where appropriate, will be incorporated into development in a manner which will not impair their visual or

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ecological integrity;

- .2 Buildings and streetscapes will be designed to create a sense of identity through treatment of architectural features, forms, massing, scale, site layout, orientation and landscaping;
- .3 Unique architectural building and site plan designs will be encouraged at the focal points along Oak Park Road and at major intersections;
- .4 Landscaping will be provided to define and enhance the appearance of roads and pedestrian spaces, to buffer adjacent dissimilar uses, and to minimize the visual impact of parking and loading areas;
- .5 Buildings as well as landscaping should be employed to establish an identifiable and well conceived street quality and street edge.

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#### **7.4.5 Modified Policy Areas**

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## **7.5 Major Institutional Areas**

7.5.1 The Major Institutional Area designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall mean that the predominant use of the land shall be for institutional facilities.

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7.5.2 The main permitted uses shall include:

- .1 secondary schools and other uses permitted pursuant to the Education Act;
- .2 colleges, universities, and other post secondary educational facilities;
- .3 convents and seminaries;
- .4 hospitals and major health care facilities;
- .5 private education facilities;
- .6 licensed nursing homes; and
- .7 correctional facilities and detention centres subject to amendment by the Zoning Bylaw.

7.5.3 Secondary uses which may be permitted include:

- .1 residential uses accessory to the main permitted uses;
- .2 convenience commercial uses which directly serve the main permitted uses;
- .3 administrative offices accessory to, and located within the same building as the main permitted use;
- .4 community service facilities which directly serve or are complementary to the main permitted use; and
- .5 buildings and structures accessory to the permitted uses.

7.5.4 An Official Plan Amendment shall be required to designate new Major Institutional Areas. Applications for an amendment will be evaluated on the basis of general conformity to the following criteria:

- .1 Access to a Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road, which does not result in traffic hazards;
- .2 Access to public transit, where appropriate;
- .3 Compatibility with adjacent existing or planned land uses; and

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- .4 The proposed site area is adequate to accommodate all necessary facilities, such as adequate on-site parking, landscaping, fencing, garbage collection/ storage, and loading facilities.

7.5.5 All Major Institutional Areas shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan regarding buffering, to ensure visual separation and compatibility between the major institutional use and adjacent land uses.

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7.5.6 Where a school designated as a Major Institutional Area on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan** is determined to be surplus to the Board's requirements under the provisions of the Education Act, the following policy shall apply:

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- .1 The City shall consider the acquisition of surplus schools and school yards for municipal park and open space purposes;
- .2 The school may be used for any main permitted use in Section 7.5.2. of this Official Plan;
- .3 The following uses shall be permitted within school sites, subject to the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw, and to Site Plan Approval:
- (i) Community Centres;
  - (ii) Municipal or private libraries;
  - (iii) Municipal recreational uses.

#### **7.5.7 Modified Policy Areas**

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## **7.6 Major Open Space**

- 7.6.1 The Major Open Space designation on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** shall mean that the predominant use of the land shall be for active and passive recreation, leisure and conservation uses. OPA #125  
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- 7.6.2 The main permitted uses shall include:
- .1 community parks and open spaces, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.6.7 of this Official Plan;
  - .2 specialized parks and open spaces, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.6.8 of this Official Plan;
  - .3 private parks and open spaces;
  - .4 golf courses;
  - .5 cemeteries, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7.6.9 of this Official Plan;
  - .6 agricultural uses including nursery gardening and garden plots, but excluding intensive livestock operations, subject to the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw;
  - .7 conservation areas;
  - .8 all activities associated with storm water management, erosion or flood control as approved by the City, the Conservation Authority and other appropriate agencies; and
  - .9 Deleted
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- OPA #75  
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- 7.6.3 Secondary uses which may be permitted include:
- .1 accessory buildings and structures accessory to the permitted uses; and
  - .2 limited commercial uses which serve the main permitted uses, such as concession stands, restaurants, or marinas.
- 7.6.4 Where a Major Open Space designation is applied to privately-owned lands, the following policies shall apply:
- .1 it shall not imply that the lands are free and open to the general public;



- .2 there is no obligation for the City, or any other public agency, to purchase the lands;
- .3 an application for re-designation of all or part of the lands may be considered by Council, having due regard for the following:
  - i) the City or any other public agency does not wish to purchase the lands in order to retain them for open space uses;
  - ii) the existence of any significant or unique natural features;
  - iii) the impacts of the proposed development on the natural features, including any proposed engineering or resource management works necessary to overcome such impacts; and
  - iv) the comments and approval, where required, of the Grand River Conservation Authority and other relevant authorities; and
- .4 there is no obligation for the City to approve an application for re-designation of Major Open Space lands, in accordance with subsection (.3) above.

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7.6.5 The City will co-operate with all agencies and groups concerned with or involved in the acquisition, planning, development and activity programming of lands designated Major Open Space.

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7.6.6 Notwithstanding Sections 7.6.2 and 7.6.3, development of lands designated Major Open Space and lying within the limits of the floodplain as shown on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain**, shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.2.

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7.6.7 Community Parks and Open Spaces may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

- .1 Community Parks and Open Spaces shall be acquired and developed to provide:
  - i) large active sports and recreational facilities;
  - ii) areas for passive leisure activities;
  - iii) natural areas such as woodlots, valleys and ravines; or
  - iv) landscape and garden areas.



.2 These areas may contain:

- i) sports and recreational facilities responsive to the needs of the residents, including such facilities as sports fields, playgrounds, ball diamonds, swimming and wading pools, fitness trails, arenas, or gymnasiums;
- ii) landscaped areas and floral displays;
- iii) seating and picnic areas;
- iv) auditoriums, community centres and meeting rooms;
- v) natural areas;
- vi) pedestrian and bicycle paths; and
- vii) accessory buildings and structures.

.3 Community Parks and Open Spaces may vary in size depending on the physical characteristics of the area and the type and number of facilities provided. They shall generally be greater than 4.0 hectares in size;

.4 These areas shall have frontage, wherever possible, on a Minor Collector, Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road to facilitate access from various parts of the municipality;

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.5 Direct pedestrian, bicycle and barrier free access shall be provided to and within the park. Connections to the Bikeways and Trails Network will be provided where feasible;

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.6 Lands dedicated for Community Parks and Open Spaces shall be in a location and condition acceptable to the City; and

.7 The location of Community Parks and Open Spaces may be co-ordinated, where feasible, with the location of elementary or secondary schools, so that a complementary integration of lands and facilities may be achieved.

7.6.8 Specialized Parks and Open Spaces may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

.1 Specialized Parks and Open Spaces shall be acquired and developed to provide:

- i) botanical gardens, arboreta, and greenhouses;
- ii) art galleries;
- iii) public golf courses;
- iv) environmentally unique or sensitive natural areas;
- v) Grand River waterfront area;
- vi) large open spaces within the urban area;
- vii) special sports facilities, such as ski and toboggan hills; and
- viii) accessory buildings and structures;



- .2 These areas will vary in size depending on the physical characteristics of the site, and the type and number of facilities provided;
  - .3 These areas shall have frontage, wherever possible, on a Minor Collector, Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road to facilitate access from various parts of the municipality; and OPA #59  
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  - .4 Direct pedestrian bicycle and barrier free access shall be provided to and within the park. OPA #49  
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- 7.6.9 Cemeteries may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:
- .1 Cemeteries shall generally be considered as part of the City's parks and open space system;
  - .2 Cemeteries provide large landscape and garden areas within the urban environment, as well as opportunities for passive leisure activities;
  - .3 Crematoria, columbaria and mausolea shall only be permitted in cemeteries, subject to the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw; and
  - .4 The establishment of new cemeteries, or the enlargement of existing cemeteries shall have regard for:
    - i) potential impacts on adjacent existing and planned land uses;
    - ii) access to the road system which does not create traffic hazards;
    - iii) provision of adequate on-site parking facilities; and
    - iv) screening and landscaping to complement the plot plan and provide buffering with adjacent land uses.
- 7.6.10 Open space linkages may be permitted in any land use designation in accordance with the following policies: OPA #84  
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- .1 Open space linkages shall be acquired and developed to provide:
    - i) physical and visual linkages within the municipality;
    - ii) pedestrian and bicycle paths;
    - iii) connections between parks and open spaces; and
    - iv) access to valleys and waterfront areas;
  - .2 These areas may comprise:
    - i) pedestrian walkways;
    - ii) bicycle paths;
    - iii) pedestrian grade separations;
    - iv) valley lands;
    - v) channelized storm water drainage areas;
    - vi) waterfront areas;



- vii) hydro and utility corridors;
- viii) protective buffer areas between conflicting land uses; or
- ix) abandoned rail lines;

.3 Where practical, the City may acquire and develop natural linear features as open space linkages;

.4 The City may develop a system of pedestrian, bicycle and wheel chair mobility aid paths within open space linkages and for recreational walking, jogging, cycling and mobility aid riding, and to provide access to other community facilities;

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.5 The City will encourage the use of utility corridors, rights-of-way, and easements for open space linkages; and

.6 Wherever possible, open space linkages shall be conveyed to the City or other public agencies.

7.6.11 Parkettes and Tot Lots may be permitted in Residential Areas in accordance with the following policies:

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.1 Parkettes and Tot Lots shall be acquired and developed to provide:

- i) visual and natural amenities within the urban area;
- ii) playspace for young children within residential areas;
- iii) landscape and garden areas;
- iv) meeting or resting areas; or
- v) special areas of historic or architectural significance;

.2 These areas may contain:

- i) accessible playgrounds for young children;
- ii) landscaped areas displays with mobility aid access;
- iii) floral displays; or
- iv) seating areas.

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.3 Parkettes and Tot Lots may vary in size, but generally be less than 0.6 hectares.

7.6.12 Neighbourhood Parks and Open Spaces may be permitted In Residential Areas in accordance with the following policies:

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.1 Neighbourhood Parks and Open Spaces shall be acquired and developed to provide:

- i) active sports and recreational facilities;
- ii) areas for passive leisure activities;
- iii) natural areas, such as woodlots and ravines; or
- iv) landscape or garden areas;

.2 These areas may contain:

- i) sports and recreational facilities responsive to the needs of the residents regardless of disabilities, including such

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- facilities as playgrounds, sports fields, rinks, ball diamonds, wading pools, and multi-purpose pads;
  - ii) accessible meeting halls and rooms;
  - iii) accessible landscaped areas or floral displays;
  - iv) accessible seating areas;
  - v) natural areas;
  - vi) pedestrian mobility aid or bicycle paths; and
  - vii) accessory buildings and structures.
- .3 Neighbourhood Parks and Open Spaces may vary in size, but generally range in size from 0.8 to 4.0 hectares;
  - .4 These areas shall have frontage on a Local or Minor or Major Collector Road, so that the park is visible and accessible to those within the area;
  - .5 Direct pedestrian access shall be provided to and within Neighbourhood Parks and Open Spaces from all parts of the adjacent neighbourhood(s);
  - .6 Lands dedicated for Neighbourhood Parks and Open Spaces shall be in a location and condition acceptable to the City; and
  - .7 The location of Neighbourhood Parks and Open Spaces may be co-ordinated, where feasible, with the location of elementary schools, so that a complementary integration of lands and facilities may be achieved.

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**7.7 Six Nations of the Grand River**OPA #164  
March 25/10

- 7.7.1 Six Nations of the Grand River Territory lands shown on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan** comprise some of the lands owned by the Six Nations of the Grand River Territory, and none of the provisions of this Official Plan shall apply to the lands shown on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan**.

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- 7.7.2 **Deleted**

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## **7.8 Modified Policy Areas**

### **7.8.1 Area 1 - Consol Road**

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### **7.8.2 Area 2 - Usher Street**

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### **7.8.3 Area 3 - Clarence Street**

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### **7.8.4 Area 4 - Stanley Street**

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The scrap yard operation in Area 4 - Stanley Street as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas** existing at the date of adoption of the Official Plan shall be encouraged to relocate to an appropriate location within an industrial area, in order to permit the lands to be redeveloped for residential uses compatible with existing and planned residential land uses in the vicinity.

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**7.8.5 Area 5 - Winniett Street**OPA #84  
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The scrap yard operation in Area 5 as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, existing at the date of adoption of this Official Plan shall be encouraged to relocate to an appropriate location within an industrial area, in order to permit the lands to be redeveloped for residential uses compatible with existing and planned residential uses in the vicinity.

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Aug. 2/91**7.8.6 Area 6 - Oak Park Road**OPA #32  
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Section deleted by Amendment.

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July 14/00**7.8.7 Area 7 - Shellard Lane**OPA #84  
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Development of the Residential Area - Low Density designation in Area 7 as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas** may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

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- .1 The development comprises single-detached dwellings on private individual sewage disposal and water supply systems; however, no raised septic tile fields shall be permitted;
- .2 An engineering analysis establishes the feasibility of providing private individual sewage disposal systems to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, having regard to potential impacts on the Grand River and groundwater quality;
- .3 An engineering analysis establishes the feasibility of providing private individual water supply systems to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities;
- .4 Development proceeds by plan of subdivision or condominium;
- .5 Storm water drainage can be accommodated on site and will not impact on the watercourse through erosion, sedimentation, or increased rate of runoff;
- .6 Land forms and physical features, including wooded areas and wetlands, are maintained in their natural state, where feasible, and contribute to the low density and natural character of the development;

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- .7 Lot sizes shall be no less than 0.4 hectares in size. Larger minimum lot sizes may be required due to on-site servicing requirements, soil structure, drainage characteristics, topography, or vegetation;
- .8 Access to the development shall be provided to Shellard Lane and, if feasible, two access points shall be provided to avoid the development of extensive culs-de-sac;
- .9 Following consultation with the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, development will be prohibited on lands that are environmentally sensitive due to groundwater conditions, vegetation, topography or soils; OPA #84  
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- .10 Development must be adequately screened and buffered from the industrial development to the east, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan; OPA #84  
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OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .11 Applications for development shall submit the following:
  - i) an engineering study relative to the proposed sewage disposal, water supply and storm water drainage facilities; and
  - ii) a landscape analysis to determine the impacts on natural vegetation and the measures to be taken for its preservation; and
- .12 The studies required by Section 7.8.7.11 will be submitted as a preliminary report prior to draft approval of the plan. A final report shall be required prior to final approval of the plan. OPA #84  
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### 7.8.8 Area 8 - King George Road

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Notwithstanding the General Commercial Area designation on the lands in Area 8 - King George Road as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall be limited to business and professional offices, and public administration offices.

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Applications for development will be evaluated with respect to their compatibility with adjacent residential uses, including:

- .1 the design, height, bulk and location of any non-residential building is compatible with adjacent residential uses and appropriate to the site;
- .2 adequate parking is provided on-site;
- .3 parking areas are located away from adjacent residential uses, wherever possible;



- .4 screening and buffering are provided to protect the residential amenity; and
- .5 Access to the lands shall be restricted to King George Road, and existing access points shall be consolidated and reduced, where possible, during the development of the lands.

#### 7.8.9 Area 9 - Grand River Avenue

Notwithstanding the Medium Residential Area designation on the lands in Area 9 - Grand River Avenue as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted also shall include recreation, and restaurant facilities. Other commercial development which is related to the waterfront will be encouraged.

Council will encourage all development in this designation to provide public access to and along the Grand River waterfront in order to allow an open space linkage between Waterworks Park and the core area. Council will also encourage all developments to provide appropriate linkages to the Bikeways and Trails Network.

The industrial uses existing at the date of adoption of this Official Plan may be recognized and zoned in the implementing Zoning Bylaw.

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#### 7.8.10 Area 10 - West Street

Notwithstanding the General Commercial Area designation on lands in Area 10 - West Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall exclude retail and warehouse commercial uses, funeral homes, building supply outlets, and automobile service stations (except such automobile service uses existing at the date of adoption of this Official Plan accessory to a main permitted use).

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7.8.11	<b>Area 11 - King George Road/Power Line Road</b>	OPA #84 July 14/00
	<p>Notwithstanding the General Commercial and Highway Commercial Area designations on the lands in Area 11 - King George Road/Power Line Road as indicated on <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b>, the types of uses shall be restricted due to the lack of municipal sanitary sewers. In the interim, development may proceed on the basis of private sanitary sewage disposal systems, holding tanks, or private temporary connections to existing sanitary sewers, pending the extension of new public sanitary sewer trunks.</p> <p>Applications for development shall submit an engineering analysis which establishes the feasibility of providing private sanitary sewage systems to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.</p>	Min. Mod. #4 Nov. 4/87
7.8.12	<b>Area 12 - Park Road/Grey Street</b>	
	<p>Notwithstanding the General Commercial Area designation on lands in Area 12 - Park Road/Grey Street, as indicated on <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b>, the uses permitted shall exclude automobile service stations, retail and warehouse commercial uses, funeral homes, and building supply outlets.</p>	Min. Mod. #1 Nov. 4/87  OPA #84 July 14/00
7.8.13	<b>Area 13 - Hardy Road</b>	OPA #32 April 21/92
	Section deleted by Amendment.	OPA #84 July 14/00
7.8.14	<b>Area 14 - Johnson Road Area</b>	OPA #38 Jan. 12/93
	Section deleted by Amendment.	OPA #84 July 14/00
7.8.15	<b>Area 15 - Mohawk Street</b>	OPA #84 July 14/00
	<p>.1 The Mohawk/Greenwich Area, as indicated on <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b>, contains a number of older industrial properties that are contaminated with industrial waste. Over the long term, the City shall encourage the comprehensive redevelopment of properties in this area into a mixed-use centre consisting of clean employment uses, open space uses, institutional uses and small-scale commercial uses.</p>	Min. Mod. #17 Nov. 4/87  OPA #32 April 21/92  Min. Mod. #47 Aug. 2/91



- .2 Before redevelopment in this area can proceed, additional environmental investigations must be conducted to determine the nature and extent of contamination in the area, and to develop and implement an appropriate remediation strategy. To this end the City, in consultation with private landowners, will work with all levels of government to develop a coordinated and comprehensive remediation strategy in order to facilitate private redevelopment of the lands.
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- .3 The City's long term intent is to provide for redevelopment in this area. Until such time that the remediation strategy is implemented, and notwithstanding the designations in this Plan, only the following uses will be permitted in this area:
- i) Passive open space and natural regeneration;
  - ii) Light, clean industrial uses including manufacturing, assembling, warehousing, repairing and wholesaling of goods and materials within wholly enclosed buildings; and,
  - iii) Expansion of the existing scrap yard will be not permitted.
- .4 Upon implementation of the remediation strategy, the City will consider applications for the comprehensive redevelopment of this area, in accordance with the designations on **Schedule 1-1- Land Use Plan**, for a range of residential uses, commercial uses, heritage uses and recreational and open space uses. Redevelopment of these properties for residential use shall provide the appropriate buffering of 15 metres from the railway spur line.
- OPA #125  
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- .5 In addition to other applicable policies of this Plan, the redevelopment of this area should proceed on the basis of a comprehensive master plan, co-ordinating the development of individual properties, in order to achieve a well-designed and integrated area, including:
- i) consideration of a system of internal streets which, over the long term, will connect with existing roads terminating on the west side of Mohawk Street and facilitate pedestrian and vehicular circulation through the site between the Eagle Place neighbourhood and the trail and open space system along the Canal;



- ii) detailed site plans showing building envelopes, conceptual building massing and compatible building design in order to achieve a consistent and pedestrian-supportive streetscape. In this regard, the City will encourage buildings with main entrances and windows which address the street, consistent setbacks from the streetline, and parking areas located in rear or side yards, away from the street frontage;
  - iii) Streetscape and landscape elements;
  - iv) Integrated internal vehicular circulation systems and parking areas, including co-ordinated access points in order to minimize the total number of access points to abutting roads;
  - v) The potential for reuse of any existing buildings or structures;
  - vi) Municipal servicing facilities;
  - vii) Compatibility with adjacent residential areas; and
  - viii) Pedestrian and bicycle access to and along the canal area and linkages to the Bikeways and Trails Network shall be incorporated in to any redevelopment plans, and a re-alignment of Greenwich Street may be considered in order to expand the open space abutting the Canal.
- .6 Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area uses will be permitted in accordance with Section 7.3.5 of this Plan, and the following policies:
- i) Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area uses will be directed to the Mohawk Street frontage of the area, to facilitate access from the Eagle Place neighbourhood; and,
  - ii) Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Uses may develop in a stand-alone shopping centre format or on the ground floor of mixed use buildings.
- .7 Portions of Modified Policy Area 15 lie within the Special Policy Area as shown on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain** and are subject to the provisions of Section 10.2 of this Plan.
- .8 The City may prepare a Community Improvement Plan for this area, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of this Plan, and explore opportunities to use a variety of incentives, to promote clean-up and redevelopment of this area.

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- .9 Notwithstanding the designations on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan**, the City may consider alternative redevelopment concepts for this area that provide for a range of residential uses, commercial uses, educational and research uses, heritage uses, buffer area, and recreational and open space uses, without amendment to this Plan.

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#### 7.8.16 **Area 16 - Market Street South and Newport Street Extension**

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- .1 In addition to the policies for the Core Commercial Area designation of this Plan, the following policies shall apply to Modified Policy **Area 16 - Market Street South and Newport Street Extension**:

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- i) Extension of an open space linkage between the Grand River waterfront and the Canal along the east-west railway line, when abandoned, shall be encouraged in order to facilitate pedestrian and bicycle access throughout the area and connections to the Bikeways and Trails Network;
- ii) The City will explore opportunities to improve pedestrian linkages and accessibility between the Market Street South and Newport Street Extension Area and the Downtown Core in the vicinity of Market Street;
- iii) Notwithstanding Section 7.3.2.4 of this Plan, all development shall be required to provide adequate on-site parking, in accordance with the standards of the Zoning Bylaw, or equivalent cash-in-lieu of parking in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.6.5 of this Plan; and,
- iv) The Market Street South and Newport Street Extension Area contains a number of older industrial properties and old waste disposal sites that may be contaminated and/or have unstable soils. The City may prepare a Community Improvement Plan for this area, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of this Plan, and explore opportunities to use a variety of incentives, to promote clean-up and redevelopment of this area.

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#### 7.8.17 **Area 17 - Morton Avenue/West Street**

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The City will encourage the infilling of industrial uses in Area 17 - Morton Avenue/West Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, located south of Morton Avenue, north of Charing Cross Street, and east of West Street.

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Continuation of the existing, or the development of additional residential uses would be inappropriate in view of the nature of industrial uses in the area. New industrial uses shall be compatible in type and scale with

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adjacent open space and residential areas and shall have regard for the area's visible location on West Street.

### 7.8.18 Area 18 - Shellard Lane

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- .1 Applications for industrial development within that portion of the General Industrial Area designation in Area 18 - Shellard Lane as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, will be considered in accordance with the following policies:

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- .1 Industrial uses shall include manufacturing, processing, assembly, enclosed storage, and fabricating of goods and materials within wholly enclosed buildings which can be developed in proximity to residential areas without creating any adverse land use impacts.

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- .2 Industrial uses requiring outdoor storage of goods, materials or equipment shall be prohibited.

- .3 A high standard of building and site design, landscaping, and signage shall be encouraged in the implementing Zoning Bylaw and through Site Plan Approval.

- .4 Development will utilize natural features and extensive landscaping in order to create a park-like setting.

- .5 Development shall provide extensive screening and buffering in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan, where it abuts a Residential Area designation in order to protect the amenity and functioning of the residential area.

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- .2 Notwithstanding the Industrial designation, applications to amend the land use designation within Area 18 - Shellard Lane may be considered in accordance with the following policies:

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- .1 The proposed land uses are compatible with the Residential Area - Low Density designation in the area.

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- .2 Deleted.

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- .3 A feasibility study supports the development of the proposed land uses with respect to transportation, servicing, and community facilities.

- .4 Deleted.

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**7.8.19 Area 19 - Mohawk Street**OPA #84  
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The City's municipal Water Pollution Control Plant and Sanitary Landfill Site are located in Area 19 - Mohawk Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, and shall be recognized as permitted uses.

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These uses shall be allowed to expand as necessary to maintain an appropriate level of service to the City in accordance with the following provisions:

1. The Water Pollution Control Plant will be designed, constructed and operated in a manner which takes the following into consideration:
  - a) operation of the facility for the longest period of time practical during a flood event;
  - b) provision of adequate capability to pump treated effluent in the facility over the dyke into the Floodway; and
  - c) minimizing the duration of the operational downtime of the facility during, and following, a flood event by limiting the potential for damage to operational equipment and controls and building contents by flood waters.
2. The Sanitary Landfill Site will be operated in a manner which takes the following into consideration:
  - a) expansion into the Floodway will be permitted provided there are no significant hydraulic effects on the opposite valley wall, upstream or downstream; and
  - b) changes in the afteruse of this facility shall be subject to written Ministerial approval pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act.

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July 14/00**7.8.20 Area 20 - Grandview Street**OPA #84  
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Development within the Residential Area - Medium Density designation on lands in Area 20 - Grandview Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas** shall only be permitted access to Grandview Street.

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**7.8.21 Area 21 - Sherwood Drive**OPA #84  
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Notwithstanding the Residential Area - Medium Density designation on lands in Area 21, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall include business and professional offices within the buildings existing at the date of the adoption of the Official Plan.

Min. Mod. #46  
Aug. 2/91**7.8.22 Area 22 - Brant Avenue/Lorne Crescent/Waterloo Street**Min. Mod.  
#1 & #6  
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July 14/00**7.8.23 Area 23 - Ava Golf Course**Min. Mod. #5  
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Applications for development within the Mixed Industrial Commercial Designation in Area 24 - Lynden Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Area** will be considered in accordance with the following policies:

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1. The main permitted uses shall include the following:
  - i) manufacturing, processing, assembling, storage, warehousing and the fabrication of goods and materials within wholly-enclosed buildings;
  - ii) business offices;
  - iii) outdoor storage of materials, equipment, or goods representing the finished product of any industrial use permitted by clause 1.(i) above, only in accordance with the following policies:

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- a) all storage areas will be located away from adjacent designated residential areas or have adequate buffering that will visually screen such storage areas from the residential areas in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan;
- b) all buffering, fencing, and screening is such that it visually enhances the site and is of a permanent nature; and
- c) where natural landscaping is utilized as part of the buffering, it shall be of an adequate size and nature to screen the outdoor storage.

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#### 7.8.25 Area 25 - Fairview Drive/West Street

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.3.4.1 of this Official Plan, the total maximum gross leasable floor area on the lands in Area 25 - Fairview Drive/West Street as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas** shall be 18,580 square metres.

Min. Mod. #7  
Nov. 4/87

Applications for development up to 18,580 square metres will be considered in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #49  
June 1/95

- .1 The access to and traffic generated by the site will not create adverse traffic hazards on surrounding roads;
- .2 The site area is adequate to incorporate all necessary screening or buffering in order to minimize potential impacts on adjacent residential uses, in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan;
- .3 Garbage collection/storage areas and loading/ delivery areas shall be located and screened so as not to create an adverse impact on surrounding uses;
- .4 The design, bulk, and location of buildings shall be compatible with adjacent residential uses; and
- .5 The applicant shall satisfy the provisions of Section 7.3.1.5 of this Official Plan and shall provide detailed site plans for review.

OPA #84  
July 14/00  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

OPA #84  
July 14/00

#### 7.8.26 Area 26 - King George Road/Oxford Street

OPA #84  
July 14/00

(Section deleted by Amendment)

OPA #49  
June 1/95



**7.8.27 Area 27 - Brantford General Hospital Area**OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the Major Institutional Area designation on the lands in Area No. 27 - Brantford General Hospital Area, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted also shall include private medical clinics and ancillary commercial uses in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #1  
Jan. 18/88

- .1 the design, height, bulk and location of any building is compatible with the adjacent uses and appropriate to the site.
- .2 adequate off-street parking is provided on site.
- .3 screening, buffering and landscaping are provided to protect and enhance the development.

**7.8.28 Area 28 - St. Paul Avenue north of St. George Street**OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding Section 7.2.3 Residential Area - Medium Density designation on the lands in Area No. 28 - St. Paul Avenue north of St. George Street as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall be restricted to a retirement lodge and/or nursing home in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #2  
April 14/88

- .1 The retirement lodge and/or nursing home shall not exceed a maximum accommodation of 50 beds.
- .2 The design, height, bulk and location of any building is compatible with the adjacent uses and appropriate to the site.
- .3 Adequate off-street parking is provided on site.
- .4 Screening, buffering and landscaping are provided to protect the adjacent uses and enhance the development.
- .5 Deleted

OPA #49  
June 1/95



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| <b>7.8.29</b> | <b>Area 29 - North side of Dunsdon Street between Four Seasons Drive and Greenfield Road</b>   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00             |
|               | Notwithstanding the Neighbourhood Centre Commercial area designation on the lands in Area No. 29 - North side of Dunsdon Street between Four Seasons Drive and Greenfield Road as indicated on <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b> the uses permitted also shall include residential dwellings as secondary uses in accordance with the following policies:   | OPA #3<br>April 14/88             |
|               | .1 The residential units being located in any portion of the existing neighbourhood convenience plaza provided the total floor area of those residential units does not exceed two-thirds the total gross floor area of the neighbourhood convenience plaza.   | OPA #20<br>Jan. 18/90             |
|               | .2 Adequate off-street parking is provided on site for both the commercial uses and secondary residential uses.  |                                   |
| <b>7.8.30</b> | <b>Area 30 - North side of Henry Street adjacent to Highway 403</b>  | OPA #27<br>April 4/91             |
|               | (Section deleted by Amendment).  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00             |
|               |  | OPA #32<br>April 21/91            |
| <b>7.8.31</b> | <b>Area 31 - 1, 3 and 5 Dunsdon Street</b>   | OMB Order<br>#088-1<br>Aug. 15/89 |
|               | (Section not approved)   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00             |
| <b>7.8.32</b> | <b>Area 32 - Colborne Street Slope Failure Area</b>  |                                   |
|               | Notwithstanding the land use designations on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> on lands in Area 32 - Colborne Street Slope Failure Area as indicated on <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b> , only those uses existing on the date of adoption of this Plan shall be permitted. This policy shall remain in effect until such time as the lands above and below the slope are certified to be sufficiently stable to support a proposed development, by a competent, qualified professional engineer hired by the developer and reviewed by the City and all other appropriate approval authorities. At that time, an amendment to this Plan will be required to designate the subject lands in a designation appropriate and consistent with the optimal long term use of the land. | Min. Mod. #37<br>June 21/88       |
|               |  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00             |
|               |  | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08             |



This policy will be implemented by an amendment to the zoning bylaw which will permit only existing uses, buildings and structures and will not permit any additions, expansions, or restoration. Council will also encourage the acquisition of these lands by the Grand River Conservation Authority.

#### 7.8.32.1 Area 32 - Colborne Street Slope Failure Area

Deleted.

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Min. Mod. #38  
June 21/88

#### 7.8.33 Area 33 - Oak Hill Drive Slope Area

Notwithstanding the Residential Area - Low Density designation on lands in Area 33 - Oak Hill Drive Slope Area as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, all development shall be subject to the following policies:

Min. Mod. #40  
June 21/88

OPA #84  
July 14/00

1. All buildings and structures shall be subject to a 15.0 metre setback from a point representing the future location of the top of the bank, assuming a 100 year erosion rate and the calculation of stable inclination for the slope as shown on **Schedule 4-4 – Community Health and Safety: Slope Setback**, or
2. Where remedial works are required by the City Engineer or a development is proposed which would not comply with Section 7.8.33.1, a geotechnical study, completed to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities will be required to support the proposal.
3. Where remedial works to stabilize the slope are proposed to permit development, such works will be constructed and maintained to the satisfaction of the Grand River Conservation Authority and the City.

OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09

OPA #84  
July 14/00

#### 7.8.34 Area 34 - Grand River Avenue

- .1 It is expected that the former Penmans and Solaray sites in Area 2 - Grand River Avenue as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, will be redeveloped for a mix of low, medium and high density residential uses.
- .2 In addition to all other applicable policies of this Plan, the following policies shall apply to Area 34 – Grand River Avenue.
  - i) Residential uses will be permitted, in accordance with the policies for Low, Medium and High Density Residential Areas of this Plan;

OPA #9  
Oct. 24/88

OPA #49  
June 1/83

OPA #84  
July 14/00

OPA #84  
July 14/00



- ii) Buildings shall not exceed 6 storeys in height;
- iii) Council will encourage all development in this designation to provide public access to and along the Grand River waterfront in order to allow an open space linkage between Waterworks Park and the core area. Council will also encourage all developments to provide appropriate linkages to the Bikeways and Trails Network;
- iv) Modified Policy Area 34 lies within the Special Policy Area as shown on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain**, and is subject to the provisions of Section 10.2 of this Plan; and,
- v) The Grand River Area contains a number of older industrial properties that may be contaminated with industrial wastes. The City will work with landowners to develop a coordinated strategy to rehabilitate these sites in order to facilitate redevelopment. In this regard, the City may prepare a Community Improvement Plan for this area, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of this Plan, and explore opportunities to use a variety of incentives, to promote clean-up and redevelopment of contaminated sites in this area.

OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

**7.8.35 (Area 35 - Shellard Lane - North Side)**

OPA #48  
May 5/95

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OPA #84  
July 14/00

**7.8.36 Area 36 - South Side of Lynden Rd. opposite Dalkeith Drive**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

(Deleted by Amendment)

**7.8.37 Area 37 - Waterworks Park**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

The Public Utilities Commission's Water Treatment Plant and Transportation Garage are located in Area 37 - Waterworks Park as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, and shall be recognized as permitted uses and be allowed to expand as necessary to maintain the required level of service subject to the following provisions:

OPA #26  
Aug. 2/91



1. The Water Treatment Plant will be designed, constructed and operated to minimize the duration of the operational downtime of the facility during, and after, a flood event by limiting the potential for damage to operational equipment and controls and the plant contents from flood waters.
  2. The Transportation Garage shall be subject to the provisions of Section 10.2 of this Plan. OPA #84  
July 14/00
- 7.8.38 Area 38 Blocks D and E, Holiday Drive** OPA #49  
June 1/95
- (Deleted by Amendment) OPA #84  
July 14/00
- 7.8.39 Area 39 - Southwest Area, South of Shellard Lane** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- (Deleted by Amendment) OPA #25  
Dec. 14/90  
OPA #199  
June 27/17
- 7.8.40 Area 40 - Southwest Area, South of Shellard Lane** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- (Deleted by Amendment) Min. Mod. #2  
Dec. 14/90
- OPA #84  
July 14/00
- Min. Mod. #3  
Dec. 14/90
- OPA #49  
June 1/95
- OPA #84  
July 14/00
- OPA #199  
June 27/17
- 7.8.41 Area 41 - Dundas Street and McClure Street** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- Notwithstanding the "Residential Area - High Density" designation on the lands in Area 41 - Dundas Street and McClure Street as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a parking lot, service commercial and medical related uses such as general offices, medical offices and clinics, financial institutions, pharmacies, neighbourhood convenience stores, personal service
- OPA #29  
Jan. 10/92
- OPA #51  
Mar. 3/95



The Municipality shall, through land use controls, subdivision agreements, phasing, and other resources made available to it, encourage development initiatives directed towards increasing available inventories of affordable housing.

**7.8.41 Area 41 - Dundas Street and McClure Street**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area - High Density" designation on the lands in Area 41 - Dundas Street and McClure Street as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a parking lot, service commercial and medical related uses such as general offices, medical offices and clinics, financial institutions, pharmacies, neighbourhood convenience stores, personal service stores, restaurants, and specialty retail stores.

OPA #29  
Jan. 10/92

OPA #51  
Mar. 3/95

**7.8.42 Area 42 - Northwest Area, south of Brantford Golf and Country Club**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the Residential Area - Low Density designation on the lands in Area 42 - Northwest Area, south of Brantford Golf and Country Club; the types of uses and development shall be restricted due to the lack of municipal sanitary sewers. In the interim, development may proceed on the basis of private sanitary sewage disposal systems, holding tanks, or private temporary connections to existing sanitary sewers, pending the extension of new public sanitary sewer trunks.

OPA #32  
April 21/92

Applications for development shall submit an engineering analysis which establishes the feasibility of providing private sewage systems to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.

OPA #84  
July 14/00

**7.8.43 Area 43 - 298 Park Road North**

OPA #37  
May 7/92

(Deleted by Amendment)

OPA #57  
March 11/97

OPA #84  
July 14/00

**7.8.44 Area 44 - Garden Avenue/Johnson Road Area**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Applications for development within the various land use designations in Area 44 - Garden Avenue/Johnson Road Area, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas** may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #38  
Jan. 12/93



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| .1 | All new developments shall be serviced by municipal water and sanitary sewer to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.   | Min. Mod. #1<br>Jan. 12/93<br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00                            |
| .2 | Any existing or approved development may proceed on an interim basis, using private individual sewage disposal systems, to the satisfaction of the City, and shall connect to the municipal sanitary sewer system when extended to the area.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| .3 | The subdivision of land shall occur through the Draft Plan of Subdivision process, except in infill situations where land severances may be considered.  |  |
| .4 | All proposed plans of subdivision shall be accompanied by a Noise Study assessing the impact of traffic and railway-generated noise on the proposal. Such studies shall be prepared by a qualified professional, in accordance with Section 10.5 - Noise and Vibration Control, and shall specify the necessary mitigation measures to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, in consultation with the appropriate railway companies.  | Min. Mod. #2<br>Jan. 12/93<br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| .5 | Due to the proximity of residentially designated lands to areas comprising existing and future industrial uses, appropriate mitigative measures will be required in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 - Buffering, and in consultation with the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.  | Min. Mod. #3<br>Jan. 12/93<br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |
| .6 | Applications for development which either contain or abut any regulated tributary shall include a detailed report which shall: delineate precisely the location of the tributary and its regulated floodplain in relation to the development, identify the relative values and merits of this natural feature, assess the ability to maintain and manage this feature in an urban setting, document the compatibility of the proposed development with the tributary including mitigating measures such as setbacks and special construction techniques and show how the tributary shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| .7 | In support of any development proposal, environmental and arborist reports will be required to identify features and trees most suitable and desirable for protection. These reports shall describe measures which must be implemented to ensure the long-term protection of these features.   |  |



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| 7.8.45 | <b>Area 45 - Northeast Corner of Park Road North and Henry Street</b><br><br>Deleted.  | OPA #41<br>Sept. 25/92<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 7.8.46 | <b>Area 46 - Northeast Corner of Park Road North and Henry Street</b><br><br>Deleted.  | OPA #41<br>Sept. 25/92<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 7.8.47 | <b>Area 47 - Braneida Industrial Park Area "G"</b><br><br>Notwithstanding the General Industrial Area designation on the lands in Area 47 - Braneida Industrial Park Area "G", as indicated on <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b> , the uses permitted shall also include retail warehouses limited to home furnishings.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #45<br>June 11/93  |
| 7.8.48 | <b>Area 48 - Southwest Area, North of Shellard Lane</b>  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                               |
|        | a) Significant land forms and physical features, including woodlots, wetland areas and watercourses be maintained in their natural state, consistent with the recommendations of the D'Aubigny Creek Master Watershed Plan (1992) and the Shellard Lane Secondary Planning Study (1994). Such land forms and physical features will be preserved by incorporating them into public park facilities and/or into the Environmental Protection Policy Areas identified in <b><u>Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas</u></b> of this Official Plan. | OPA #48<br>May 5/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00    |
|        | b) Future lots abutting the Environmental Protection Policy Areas identified in <b><u>Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas</u></b> of this Official Plan, and other mature woodlots within Modified Policy Area No. 48, shall have rear yards which are maximized in depth to reduce potential impacts of man-made structures on natural resources within said areas.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                               |
|        | c) Future development proposals and Plans of Subdivision shall take into consideration opportunities for the development of pathway networks linking residential areas with natural areas, school sites, community/neighbourhood parks and other open spaces, commercial and institutional sites.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                               |



- d) No direct vehicular access shall be permitted from Shellard Lane to Neighbourhood Commercial sites or single detached lots. Such direct access may be permitted for school sites, institutional and medium/high density residential lots based upon submission of detailed development plans and justifications of need.
- e) Notwithstanding Section 7.2.3.3 of this Official Plan, medium density residential sites may be located adjacent to the Environmental Protection Policy Areas identified in **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas** to this Official Plan, without being located adjacent to a Minor Collector, Major Collector, Minor Arterial or Major Arterial Road, provided that it can be demonstrated that lotting configuration, topography, and natural resource preservation issues warrant such location and that neighbouring development will not be adversely affected. OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97  
OPA #84  
July 14/00
- f) Modified Policy Area No. 48 shall be serviced by an internal trunk sanitary sewer system together with the sanitary sewer system on Shellard Lane, in order to minimize grading requirements and to enable local internal sewers to drain in a direction generally compatible with existing topography and roadway gradients.
- g) Detailed Master Drainage Plans as indicated in Section 12.4 - Stormwater Management shall be prepared by developers to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities. These Plans shall address both interim (during development) and final methods for accommodating stormwater run-off to be used. In addressing these measures, the Master Drainage Plans shall be consistent with the recommendations of the D'Aubigny Creek Master Watershed Plan (1992) and the Watershed Master Plan Study Phase 2 - D'Aubigny Creek (1994). OPA #84  
July 14/00
- h) Deleted. OPA #84  
July 14/00
- 7.8.49 Area 49 - Oak Park Road and Highway No. 403** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- (Deleted by Amendment) OPA #49  
June 1/95



**7.8.50 Area 50 - 120 Paris Road**OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial Area" designation on lands in Area 50 - 120 Paris Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall be limited to only the uses identified in Sections 7.2.1.2 and 7.2.2.1, and to retail and service commercial uses which have no need to locate in a shopping centre, business and professional offices and accessory buildings and structures.

OPA #49  
June 1/95**7.8.51 Area 51 - 348 Elgin Street**OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial Area" designation on the lands in Area 51 - 348 Elgin Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, a public agency works yard shall also include the accessory retail sales of home comfort products, including gas, water, electrical and heating conservation fixtures; air and water quality products; security products all for home use only. This accessory retail sale activity is restricted to a maximum gross floor area of 300.0m<sup>2</sup>.

OPA #58  
June 13/97**7.8.52 Area 52 - 573 Colborne Street East**OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.3.4.1 of this Official Plan, the total maximum gross leasable floor area on the lands in Area 52 - 573 Colborne Street East as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas** shall be 11,400m<sup>2</sup>.

OPA #60  
July 15/97**7.8.53 Area 53 - Pleasant View Golf Course**OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area - Low Density" designation of the lands in Area 53 - Pleasant View Golf Course, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall include a golf course, as an interim use, in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #62  
Aug. 17/97

- .1 Lands developed for such golf course use need not have frontage on, nor direct access to, a municipal street within the City of Brantford.
- .2 Development of a golf course may proceed on the basis of private sanitary disposal facilities and/or water supply systems to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.

OPA #84  
July 14/00



**7.8.54 Area 54 - Southeast Corner of Wayne Gretzky Parkway and Henry Street**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial Area" designation on lands in Area 54 - Southeast Corner of Wayne Gretzky Parkway and Henry Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the development of these lands shall be subject to the following policies:

OPA #63  
Jan. 12/99  
OPA #122  
Jan. 18/07

- .1 The main permitted uses shall include:
  - .1 retail and warehouse commercial uses;
  - .2 retail and service commercial uses;
  - .3 automobile service stations and gas bars;
  - .4 building supply centres;
  - .5 recreational uses;
  - .6 restaurants, including drive-in and take-out services;
  - .7 automobile service centres;
  - .8 nursery garden centres;
  - .9 one supermarket;
  - .10 home and auto supply stores;
  - .11 financial institutions;
  - .12 health club;
  - .13 accessory buildings and structures.
- .2 Major and junior department stores shall be prohibited.
- .3 The maximum total gross leasable floor area of all buildings shall be 24,800.0m<sup>2</sup>.
- .4 Single entity food or non-food retail space shall have a maximum gross leasable area of 9,300.0m<sup>2</sup>.
- .5 Adequate buffering and screening shall be provided to ensure visual separation and compatibility between the commercial and adjacent non-commercial land uses in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan.
- .6 Comprehensive design concepts shall be required to achieve proper access and internal traffic circulation systems; adequate parking, loading and garbage collection/storage facilities; co-ordinated landscaping; and appropriate urban design characteristics.

OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

**7.8.55 Area 55 - East of Erie Avenue, North of Fifth Avenue**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

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OPA #92  
May 1/02



- 7.8.56 Area 56 - Southwest Corner of Highway No. 403/Paris Road Interchange** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- OPA #66  
April 3/98
- Notwithstanding the "Mixed Industrial Commercial Area" designation on the lands in Area 56 - Southwest Corner of Highway No. 403/Paris Road Interchange, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses shall be restricted to general offices and a service industry limited to the offices and open and enclosed storage associated with a general contractor, in accordance with the following policy:
- .1 The maximum gross floor area of all buildings supporting general offices shall be 365.0m<sup>2</sup>.
  - .2 The maximum gross floor area of all buildings used for enclosed storage associated with a general contractor shall be 190.0m<sup>2</sup>.
- 7.8.57 Area 57 - 1042 Colborne Street East** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- OPA #69  
June 22/98
- Notwithstanding the "Residential Area - Medium Density" designation on the lands in Area 57 - 1042 Colborne Street East, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a theatre.
- 7.8.58 Area 58 - 175 to 181 Lynden Road and 190 Lynden Road** OPA #70  
Aug. 18/98
- Deleted. OPA #84  
July 14/00
- 7.8.59 Area 59 - 25/27 King George Road** OPA #84  
July 14/00
- OPA #73  
May 6/99
- Notwithstanding the "General Commercial Area" designation on the lands in Area 59 - 25/27 King George Road as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall be limited to business and professional offices, public administration offices, and financial institutions.
- Applications for development will be evaluated with respect to their compatibility with adjacent residential uses, including:
- .1 the design, height, bulk and location of any non-residential building in compatibility with adjacent residential uses and appropriate to the site;
  - .2 adequate parking is provided on-site;
  - .3 parking areas are located away from adjacent residential uses; wherever possible;
  - .4 screening and buffering are provided to protect the residential amenity; and



- .5 access to the lands shall be restricted to King George Road, and existing access points shall be consolidated and reduced, where possible, during the development of the lands.

**7.8.60 Area 60 - Southeast Corner of Summerhayes Crescent and Powerline Road**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area - Low Density" designation on the lands in Area 60 - Southeast Corner of Summerhayes Crescent and Powerline Road, the types of uses and development shall be restricted due to the lack of municipal sanitary sewers. In the interim, development in the form of single detached dwellings may proceed on the basis of private sanitary sewage disposal systems, pending the extension of new public sanitary sewers.

OPA #77  
Sept. 10/99

Applications for development shall submit an engineering analysis which establishes the feasibility of providing private sanitary sewage disposal systems to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.

OPA #84  
July 14/00

**7.8.61 Area 61 - 71/73 Morton Avenue**

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area - Medium Density" designation on lands in Area 61 - 71/73 Morton Avenue as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall be restricted to single detached cluster dwellings.

OPA #84  
July 14/00

OPA #83  
March 31/00

**7.8.62 Area 62 – 85 Morrell Street**

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Medium Density" designation on the lands in Area 62 – 85 Morrell Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be permitted only in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #84  
July 14/00  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/089  
OPA #168  
July 7/11

- .1 Single detached dwellings and townhouses are permitted on the lands located to the north of the existing building which is situated on the south portion of the lands identified as Area 62 – 85 Morrell Street.
- .2 Until such time as there has been a resolution of the rail line to the satisfaction of CN and the City of Brantford:
  - .1 The existing building located on the south portion of the lands situated adjacent and parallel to the rail line (and Holme Street), shall be retained on the subject lands and outdoor storage shall be prohibited.



- .2 The following non- residential uses only will be permitted within the existing building:
  - i) Neighbourhood commercial uses, to be further defined in the Zoning Bylaw;
  - ii) Medical clinic, medical office and/or general office uses;
  - iii) Light clean industrial uses including warehousing, repairing of goods and material within wholly enclosed buildings;
  - iv) Limited business and professional offices, such as engineers or related activities and business services such as printing, publishing, graphic design whose services cater to or are related to industrial uses;
  - v) Scientific, technological or communication establishments;
  - vi) Research and development facilities; and
  - vii) All loading and unloading for the warehouse use shall be restricted to the interior of the existing building and shall not be permitted in the accessory parking lot or on the adjacent streets and the storage and / or distribution of hazardous wastes as defined by the Province shall be prohibited from the warehouse use.
- .3 Upon resolution of the rail line to the satisfaction of CN and the City of Brantford:
  - .1 The existing building located on the south portion of the lands situated adjacent and parallel to the rail line (and Holme Street) may be removed;
  - .2 The following uses will be permitted:
    - i) Residential uses including townhouses, rowhouses, fourplexes, low-rise apartments and other forms of low-rise multiple-unit dwellings;
    - ii Neighbourhood commercial uses, to be defined in the Zoning Bylaw; and
    - iii) Medical clinic, medical office and/or general office uses.
  - .3 Maximum net residential density for residential development shall not exceed 60 units per net residential hectare.
  - .4 Outdoor storage shall be prohibited.
- .4 Notwithstanding Section 11.3.10, a new local road shall be permitted to have a right-of-way width of 18 metres.



### 7.8.63 Area 63 - 17 and 22 Sydenham Street

OPA #84  
Julv 14/00

- .1 Area 63, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, contains two older industrial properties that are contaminated with industrial waste. It is expected that these properties will be redeveloped over the long term.
- .2 Before redevelopment of this area can proceed additional environmental investigations must be conducted to determine the nature and extent of contamination in the area, and to develop and implement an appropriate remediation strategy. To this end the City, in consultation with private landowners, will work with all levels of government to develop a coordinated and comprehensive remediation strategy in order to facilitate private redevelopment of the lands.
- .3 Until such time as the remediation strategy is implemented, and notwithstanding the Low and Medium Density Residential Area designations of this Plan, only the following uses will be permitted in Area 63 – 17 and 22 Sydenham Street:
  - i) Passive open space and natural regeneration; and
  - ii) Existing industrial uses recognized in the City's Zoning Bylaw.
- .4 Upon implementation of the remediation strategy and submission proof of compliance with Provincial Regulations is received, the City will consider applications for redevelopment of this area, in accordance with the designations on **Schedule 1-1- Land Use Plan**, to provide for a range of residential types, including detached, semi-detached and townhouses. Redevelopment of these properties for residential use shall provide appropriate buffering between the CNR rail line.
- .5 The City may prepare a Community Improvement Plan for this area, in accordance with Section 16 of this Plan, and explore opportunities to use a variety of incentives to promote the clean-up and redevelopment of these properties and the surrounding area.
- .6 Notwithstanding the designations on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan**, the City may consider alternative redevelopment concepts for this area that provide for a range of residential uses, commercial uses, heritage uses, buffer area, and recreational and open space uses, without amendment to this Plan.

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Dec. 3/08

OPA #125  
OMB Approved  
Dec. 17/10

OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08



**7.8.64 Area 64 - East Side of King George Road between Dunsdon Street and Norman Street/North Side of Charing Cross Street between King George Road and St. Paul Avenue**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

OPA #125  
OMB Approved  
Dec. 17/10

The King George Road and Charing Cross Street corridors are characterized by a mix of retail and service commercial uses. These corridors also contain a number of individual properties under separate ownership which are designated and used for residential purposes. These properties may be redeveloped for commercial purposes. Applications to redesignate these properties to General Commercial will be reviewed on the basis of their conformity with the following criteria:

- .1 the proposed development is compatible with adjacent existing and planned land uses;
- .2 the proposed development provides adequate landscaping, buffering and screening to mitigate negative impacts;
- .3 the adequacy of the existing and proposed street system, utilities and municipal services;

**7.8.65 Area 65 – Southwest Corner of Grey Street and George Street**

OPA #85  
Sept. 11/00

Repealed  
July 30/01

**7.8.66 Area 66 – Glenwood Drive/Echo Villa Avenue**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.2.2 "Residential Area – Low Density" designation of the lands in Area 66 – Glenwood Drive/Echo Villa Avenue, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be permitted only in accordance with the following policies:

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by O.M.B.  
Jan. 18/01

- .1 The uses permitted shall be limited to single-detached cluster dwellings developed by a plan of condominium and in accordance with an approved site plan, on approximately 2.3 hectares of land situated above the crest of the slope.
- .2 The maximum number of single-detached cluster dwellings permitted shall be restricted to 31 dwellings.
- .3 Development shall only proceed on the basis of a comprehensive land assembly of the required portions of 31, 35, 37 and 47 Echo Villa Avenue.



- .4 The crest of the slope shall be identified and surveyed to the satisfaction of the City, in accordance with environmental reports prepared by qualified engineers. Notwithstanding the Interpretation Section of this Plan, the surveyed crest of the slope shall be from the limit of the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation and the "Major Open Space" designation.
- .5 All buildings shall be subject to a 7.5 metre setback from the crest of the slope, as identified by sub-section 4 above.
- .6 All proposed building locations shall be identified to the satisfaction of the City, in accordance with engineering, servicing, and environmental reports prepared by qualified engineers.
- .7 Development shall be subject to site plan approval, pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act.
- .8 Prior to development proceeding, and as a component of any site plan or development agreement, a detailed tree preservation plan shall be prepared by the applicant, identifying tree preservation measures and a tree removal schedule.
- .9 Development shall not proceed until a final engineering study, including detailed storm water management plans, are prepared to the satisfaction of the City and the Grand River Conservation Authority.
- .10 The development shall provide cash-in-lieu of public parkland, and lands below the crest of the slope shall not be included in the calculation of the amount of such cash-in-lieu contribution.

#### **7.8.67 Area 67 - Glenwood Forest**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.6 for the "Major Open Space" designation of the lands in Area 67 – Glenwood Forest, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be permitted only in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #86  
Approved  
by O.M.B.  
Jan. 18/01

- .1 No buildings, structures, uses or activities which require the physical alteration of these lands shall be permitted except for public pedestrian trails and the uses permitted in Sections 7.6.2.7.
- .2 The lands located in this Modified Policy Area shall be conveyed to the City.



**7.8.68 Area 68 – 13 Phillip Street**

- .1 Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation on the lands in Area 68 – 13 Phillip Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, a catering service may be permitted by a Temporary Use Bylaw enacted pursuant to Section 39 of the Planning Act. OPA #90  
Jan. 3/02
- .2 The Temporary Use Bylaw for the lands within Area 68 – 13 Phillip Street shall include the following requirements: OPA #103  
Aug. 13/03
  - .1 The main use of the property shall be residential, and the catering service shall remain accessory to the residential use.
  - .2 The catering service shall be restricted to its current size.

**7.8.69 Area 69 – 271 Greenwich Street**

- .1 Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation on the lands in Area 69 – 271 Greenwich Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following uses shall also be permitted in the existing building: general offices, a telecommunication service limited to a radio station or studio, and an accessory dwelling unit. OPA #93  
May 1/02

**7.8.70 Area 70 - 134 King George Road**

- Notwithstanding the "General Commercial" designation on lands in Area 70 – 134 King George Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the development of these lands shall be subject to the following policies: OPA #95  
June 7/02
- .1 Uses shall be restricted to the following:
    - .1 general offices
    - .2 a maximum of one accessory dwelling unit
    - .3 accessory buildings and structures
  - .2 The design, height and bulk of any non-residential use shall maintain a residential character.
  - .3 Vehicular access shall be restricted to Wayne Drive
  - .4 Adequate parking shall be provided on site.
  - .5 Parking areas shall be located away from adjacent residential uses, where practical.



- .6 Screening and buffering shall be provided to protect adjacent residential amenities.

**7.8.71 Area 71 – 219 Shellard Lane**

- .1 Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – High Density" designation on the lands in Area 71 – 219 Shellard Lane, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include block townhouse dwelling units.

OPA #97  
July 4/02

**7.8.72 Area 72 – East Side of Diana Avenue  
Block "C", Draft Plan of Subdivision Application  
(R2002)**

OPA #199  
June 27/17

(Deleted by Amendment)

**7.8.73 Area 73 – 11 Roy Boulevard**

**7.8.74 Area 74 – Schertzberg Lane at Conklin Road  
Block 183, Draft Plan of Subdivision Application 29T-02504**

- .1 Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – High Density" designation on the lands in Area 74 – Block 183, Draft Plan of Subdivision Application 29T-02504, the uses permitted shall also include block townhouse and street townhouse dwelling units.

OPA #100  
Nov. 28/02  
OPA #124  
July 20/06

**7.8.75 Area 75 – East of Oak Park Road, North of Highway No. 403**

Development in the General Industrial Area of Area 75 – East of Oak Park Road, North of Highway No. 403, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas** may be permitted in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #102  
June 4/03

- .1 An industrial use may proceed on private individual sewage disposal and/or water supply systems.
- .2 An analysis establishes the feasibility of the site conditions to accommodate the private individual sanitary sewage disposal and/or water supply facilities and verifies that the proposed industrial use is capable of being adequately serviced by such private facilities, to the satisfaction of the City and all appropriate approval authorities.



- .3 Said analysis shall include the following matters, as well as any other matters deemed appropriate by the City: the identification of appropriate environmental controls, protection of the environment, the supply of water, appropriate methods of dealing with stormwater runoff, sewage disposal, and plant process water, and in-depth hydrogeological and geotechnical analysis to fully investigate the groundwater and soil conditions for the specific private facilities.
- .4 The site shall be subject to Site Plan Control pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act.
- .5 Development within Area 75 must have due regard for Ministry of Transportation's access management policies.

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

#### **7.8.76 Area 76 – 40 Johnson Road**

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation of the lands in Area 76 – 40 Johnson Road, the types of uses and development shall be restricted due to the lack of municipal sanitary sewers. In the interim, development may proceed on the basis of a private sanitary sewage disposal system, pending the extension of new public sanitary sewer trunks.

OPA #105  
May 11/04

Applications for development shall submit an engineering analysis, which establishes the feasibility of providing a private sanitary sewage disposal system, to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities.

#### **7.8.77 Area 77 – Southwest corner of Grey Street and George Street**

Notwithstanding the "Major Institutional Area" designation on the lands in Area 77 - Southwest Corner of Grey Street and George Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall be restricted to a retirement home in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #107  
May 4/05

- .1 Maximum building height of four storeys
- .2 Maximum number of beds shall be 72 beds



**7.8.78 Area 78 – 230/232 Murray Street**

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation on the lands in Area 78 – 230/232 Murray Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a taxi establishment.

OPA #108  
Aug. 17/04

**7.8.79 Area 79 – 260 Dalhousie Street**

Notwithstanding Section 7.2.4 "Residential Area – High Density" designation on lands in Area 79 – 260 Dalhousie Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #111  
Nov. 8/04

- .1 Apartment dwelling units shall only be permitted in the existing building that was formerly occupied by a place of worship.
- .2 A maximum of 17 apartment dwelling units shall be permitted within the existing building.

**7.8.80 Area 80 – 54 Glenwood Drive****7.8.81 Area 81 – 78 River Road**

Notwithstanding Section 7.2.3 "Residential Area – Medium Density" designation on lands in Area 81 – 78 River Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be in accordance with the following policy:

OPA #116  
July 15/05

- .1 The uses permitted shall also include a semi-detached residential dwelling.

**7.8.82 UNASSIGNED****7.8.83 Area 83 – Hardy Road**

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Medium Density" designation on the lands in Area 83 – 18 Hardy Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a single detached dwelling.

OPA #118  
Oct. 20/05

**7.8.84 Area 84 - Northeast Corner of Shellard Lane and Conklin Road  
Block 114, Plan 2M-1869**

Notwithstanding the "Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area" designation on the lands in Area 84 – Block 114, Plan 2M-1869, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall include a drive-thru service for a permitted restaurant.

OPA #120  
Mar. 31/06  
OPA #172  
Nov. 29/11



- .1 The total gross leasable floor area (GFA) shall be limited to a maximum of 1,880 square metres.

#### **7.8.85 Area 85 – 95-97 North Park Street**

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation on the lands in Area 85 – 95-97 North Park Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be permitted only in accordance with the following policy:

OPA #123  
June 1/06

- .1 The maximum number of single detached cluster dwelling units permitted shall be restricted to 17 units.

#### **7.8.86 Area 86 – Northwest Business Park**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

Notwithstanding the "Business Park Area" designation on lands in Area 86 – Northwest Business Park, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, applications for development shall require submission of a comprehensive plan, to the satisfaction of the City. The comprehensive plan shall address the following in an integrated manner:

- .1 development in a campus style and natural setting;
- .2 high quality building design and materials and landscaping;
- .3 maximum tree preservation;
- .4 integration with the natural environment and trail network;
- .5 further development of passive and active recreation facilities;
- .6 consideration and maintenance of existing surface and groundwater functions; and
- .7 encouragement of higher order uses such as conference centres and offices.

#### **7.8.87 Area 87 – West Side of King George Road between Summerhayes Crescent and Kent Road**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

The King George Road corridor is characterized by a mix of retail and service commercial uses. The corridor also contains a number of individual properties under separate ownership designated for residential purposes. These properties may be redeveloped for commercial purposes without amendment to the Official Plan. Applications to develop these properties for commercial uses will be reviewed on the basis of their conformity with the following criteria:

- .1 the proposed development is compatible with adjacent existing and planned land uses and provides adequate landscaping, buffering and screening to mitigate impacts on abutting residential uses;



- .2 the adequacy of the street system, utilities and municipal services;
- .3 the convenience and accessibility of the site for vehicular, public transit and pedestrian traffic; and
- .4 the potential to accommodate parking, loading and all other required facilities on-site.

#### **7.8.88 Area 88 – 111 Sherwood Drive**

Notwithstanding the Section 7.2.3 "Residential Area – Medium Density" designation on lands in Area 88 – 111 Sherwood Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be in accordance with the following additional policy:

OPA #126  
Feb. 5/07

- .1 The maximum number of apartment units permitted shall be 28 units.

#### **7.8.89 Area 89 – 111 Sherwood Drive**

Notwithstanding Section 7.3.1.10 "Commercial Area" designation on lands in Area 89 – 111 Sherwood Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be in accordance with the following additional policy:

OPA #126  
Feb. 5/07

- .1 Parking shall be permitted to be located on a separate lot to accommodate the parking needs of only the residential apartment building located at 111 Sherwood Drive.

#### **7.8.90 Area 90 – 44 Elgin Street**

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 90 – 44 Elgin Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted also shall include general offices.

OPA #129  
Sept. 7/07

#### **7.8.91 Area 91 – 196 Dalhousie Street**

Notwithstanding Section 7.3.8 "Mixed Commercial-Residential Area" designation on lands in Area 91 – 196 Dalhousie Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a retail store.

OPA #127  
Mar. 20/07



**7.8.92 Area 92 – 172 Market Street**

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial" designation on the lands in Area 92 – 172 Market Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted also shall include units (maximum of 15) which shall include dwelling units located on the ground floor.

OPA #130  
Sept. 6/07

**7.8.93 Area 93 – 469 Hardy Road**

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 93 – 469 Hardy Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development of the following uses shall be permitted only in accordance with the following policies:

OPA #132  
Dec. 5/07

- .1 General offices having a total maximum gross floor area (GFA) of 3,900 sq. ft. (362.0m<sup>2</sup>).
- .2 Full service restaurants (excluding drive-thru) having a total maximum GFA of 3,000 sq. ft. (278.7m<sup>2</sup>).

**7.8.94 Area 94 – 45 Dalkeith Drive**

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 94 – 45 Dalkeith Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall also include:

OPA #133  
Dec. 5/07

- .1 General Offices.

**7.8.95 Area 95 – 340 Henry Street**

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 95 – 340 Henry Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall also include the following use:

OPA #134  
Dec. 5/07

- .1 General Offices

**7.8.96 Area 96 – 163 Market Street, 40-42 Sheridan Street and at the Rear of 175 Market Street**

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial" designation on the lands in Area 96 – 163 Market Street, 40-42 Sheridan Street and at the rear of 175 Market Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified policy Areas**, the uses permitted also shall include residential dwelling units (maximum of 11) and a maximum of 175.0m<sup>2</sup> of General Commercial uses on the ground floor at 163 Market Street.

OPA #135  
Dec. 5/07



**7.8.97 Area 97 - 68 – 70 Fairview Drive**

OPA #136  
OMB Order  
1003  
Apr. 13/07

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation on the lands in Area 97 – 68 – 70 Fairview Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be permitted only in accordance with the following policy:

- .1 The maximum number of single detached cluster dwelling units permitted shall be restricted to 11 units.

**7.8.98 Area 98 – 115 – 119 Market Street**

OPA #137  
Jan. 10/08

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial" designation on the lands in Area 98 – 115 – 119 Market Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, development shall be permitted in accordance with the General Commercial policies together with the following:

- .1 Ground floor residential dwelling units are permitted provided that there are one or more permitted non-residential uses also located on the ground floor.

**7.8.99 Area 99 – 166 Lynden Road**

OPA #138  
Mar. 26/08

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial" designation on the lands in Area 99 – 166 Lynden Road, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a retirement home having a maximum gross floor area of 17,500m<sup>2</sup>, maximum building height of 24 metres and a minimum off-street parking of 1 space/3 beds, as well as General Commercial uses.

**7.8.100 Area 100 – WITHDRAWN****7.8.101 Area 101 – Northeast Corner of Blackburn Drive & Diana Avenue**

OPA #145  
Apr. 30/08

(Deleted by Amendment).

OPA #199  
June 27/17



**7.8.102 Area 102 – Northwest Corner of Garden Avenue & Sinclair Boulevard**

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 102 – Northwest Corner of Garden Avenue and Sinclair Boulevard, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include a hotel, restaurant, automobile gas bar and medical clinic, as well as uses permitted in the Business Park Industrial designation.

OPA #147  
May 21/08

**7.8.103 Area 103 – 400 Garden Avenue**

Notwithstanding the "Business Park Industrial" designation applying to the lands in Area 103 – 400 Garden Avenue, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the uses permitted shall also include those permitted within the "General Industrial" land use designation.

OPA #148  
July 16/08

**7.8.104 Area 104 – UNASSIGNED**

**7.8.105 Area 105 – 415 – 417 Colborne Street East**

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 105 – 415 – 417 Colborne Street East, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, a maximum of eight (8) residential dwelling units located above at-grade commercial uses shall be permitted.

OPA #150  
Dec. 17/13

**7.8.106 – Area 106 – 44 Holme Street**

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 106 – 44 Holme Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following additional accessory uses shall also be permitted:

OPA #151  
Nov. 5/08

- .1 Art gallery
- .2 Art studio
- .3 Restaurant
- .4 Retail sales
- .5 Outdoor patio

The area and scale of the above-noted uses shall be limited in the implementing Zoning Bylaw.



**7.8.107 Area 107 – 347 – 365 Colborne Street East**OPA #152  
Nov. 5/08

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 107 - -347 – 365 Colborne Street East, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, a maximum of thirty-four (34) residential dwelling units located above at-grade commercial uses shall be permitted.

Notwithstanding Section 7.3.1.10, required parking spaces may be permitted to be located on appropriate commercial property located within 200 metres of the lands, conditional on entering into an agreement with the City to guarantee long term continuation of the parking.

**7.8.108 Area 108 – 381 – 393 Colborne Street**OPA #156  
Jan. 8/09

Notwithstanding the "General Commercial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 108 – 381 – 393 Colborne Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, a mixed use commercial/residential development consisting of commercial uses on the ground floor and a maximum of 30 apartment dwelling units above grade level are permitted.

The use of the lands for the apartment dwelling units is conditional on receiving funding through the Affordable Housing Program. If funding is not available, then the underlying policies of the "General Commercial Area" designation shall apply.

**7.8.109 Area 109 – 158 – 160 Sydenham Street**OPA #161  
Nov. 6/09

Notwithstanding the "Residential Area – Low Density" designation applying to the lands in Area 109 – 158- 160 Sydenham Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following additional use shall also be permitted:

- .1 A dwelling house containing a maximum of four dwelling units.

The scale of the above-noted use shall be limited in the implementing Zoning Bylaw.

**7.8.110 Area 110 – 135 Sherwood Drive**OPA #162  
Feb. 19/10

Notwithstanding the "Residential – Medium Density Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 110 – 135 Sherwood Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the property shall be limited to 5 residential units contained in two existing structures.



**7.8.111 Deleted**

OPA #163  
March 5/10  
OPA #186  
July 21/14

**7.8.112 Area 112 – 111 Sherwood Drive**

OPA #167  
May 27/11

Notwithstanding Section 7.4.3 - “Mixed Industrial-Commercial Area” designation applying to the lands, in Area 112 – 111 Sherwood Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the development of this property shall be subject to the following policies:

1. The main permitted uses shall be limited to the following:
  - .1 Manufacturing, processing, assembling, storage, warehousing, and fabricating of goods and materials within wholly enclosed buildings;
  - .2 Retail warehousing uses, such as home furnishings, appliance or floor covering sales, and other uses similar thereto;
  - .3 Business and professional offices;
  - .4 Computer, electronic, or data processing establishment;
  - .5 Research and development facilities;
  - .6 Scientific, technological, or communication establishments;
  - .7 Convenience commercial uses;
  - .8 Personal service stores such as hairstylists, and tailors;
  - .9 Education facilities limited to post-secondary, trade schools, and commercial schools;
  - .10 Service commercial uses such as banks and restaurants;
  - .11 Places of worship.

**7.8.113 Area 113 – 111 Sherwood Drive**

OPA #167  
May 27/11

Notwithstanding Section 7.4.3 - “Mixed Industrial-Commercial Area” designation applying to the lands in Area 113 – 111 Sherwood Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the development of this property shall be subject to the following policies:

1. A parking lot shall be permitted to be located on this property to accommodate the parking needs of only the Industrial and Commercial uses located at 111 Sherwood Drive (Modified Policy Area No. 112), conditional upon an agreement with the City to guarantee long term continuation and maintenance of the parking area.



**7.8.114 Area 114 – 4 Edmondson Street**OPA #171  
Nov. 29/11

Notwithstanding the Section 7.4.3 – "Mixed Industrial - Commercial Area" designation applying to the lands, in Area 114 – 4 Edmondson Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following additional use shall also be permitted:

- .1 Medical clinic or medical office

**7.8.115 Area 115 – 14 Marlborough Street**OPA #173  
Jan. 5/12

Notwithstanding the Section 7.3.6 – "General Commercial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 115 – 14 Marlborough Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following additional use shall also be permitted.

- .1 Semi-detached dwelling

**7.8.116 Area 116 – 435 Elgin Street**OPA #174  
Jan. 20/12

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 116 – 435 Elgin Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the main permitted use shall also include the following use:

- .1 General Offices

**7.8.117 Area 117 – Lloyd Street**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 8.3.1.7 of this Official Plan, all buildings and structures within Area 117 shall maintain a minimum setback of 6.0 metres from the top of bank.

OPA #182  
July 24/13**7.8.118 Area 118 – 403 – 415 Fairview Drive**OPA #184  
Dec. 20/13

Multiple unit residential dwellings shall be permitted in Modified Policy Area 118 in accordance with **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**. All uses may be permitted in either mixed use or single use buildings in accordance with the City's Urban Design Guidelines.

**7.8.119 Area 119 - 111 Sherwood Drive**OPA #187  
Sept. 26/14

Notwithstanding the Section 7.4.3 – "Mixed Industrial – Commercial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 119 – 111 Sherwood Drive, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following additional uses shall be permitted.



- .1 Entertainment and recreation facilities
- .2 Religious establishments

**7.8.120 Area 120 – 170 North Park Street**

OPA #188  
Oct. 10/14

Notwithstanding Section 13.2.4 – "Affordable Housing" of this Official Plan, the property located within Modified Policy Area 120 – 170 North Park Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, shall be exempt from the condominium conversion policy which requires a 3% vacancy rate for three consecutive years.

**7.8.121 Area 121 – 435 Elgin Street**

OPA #189  
Oct. 30/14

Notwithstanding the "General Industrial" designation on the lands in Area 121 – 435 Elgin Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the main permitted uses shall also include the following use:

- .1 General Offices

**7.8.122 Area 122 – 411 Elgin Street**

OPA #190  
Jan. 28/15

Notwithstanding the Section 7.4.3 – "General Industrial Area" designation applying to the lands in Area 122 – 411 Elgin Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, on the following uses are permitted:

- .1 manufacturing, processing, assembling, storage, warehousing and fabricating of goods and materials
- .2 warehousing and bulk storage of goods
- .3 automobile and truck rental operations
- .4 computer, electronic, or data processing establishments
- .5 research and development facilities
- .6 scientific, technological, or communication establishments
- .7 wholesaling and distribution of goods, but excluding sale to the general public, except as provided by Section 7.4.1.2
- .8 community parks and open spaces
- .9 art schools
- .10 commercial schools
- .11 post-secondary schools
- .12 private schools
- .13 health clubs, including gymnasiums
- .14 neighbourhood convenience stores
- .15 personal service stores
- .16 general business and professional offices



**7.8.123 Area 123 – 152 & 162 North Park Street**OPA #193  
May 24/16

Notwithstanding the Section 7.2.3 – “Residential Area – Medium Density” designation applying to the lands, in Area 123 – 152 & 162 North Park Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the development of the property shall be subject to the following policies:

1. A maximum net density of 130 units per hectare shall be permitted for a retirement residence use only.

**7.8.124 Area 124 – Northeast corner of Blackburn Drive/Conklin Road**OPA #194  
May 24/16

Notwithstanding the “Neighbourhood Centre Commercial Area” designation on the lands in Area 124 – Northeast corner of Blackburn Drive/Conklin Road, as indicated on Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas, the following shall also be permitted:

- .1 One drive-through restaurant;
- .2 A maximum building height of 3 storeys;
- .3 A maximum gross leasable floor area of 3,252m<sup>2</sup>.

**7.8.125 Area 125 – 84 Lynden Road**

Notwithstanding the “District Centre Commercial Area” designation on the lands in Area 125 – 84 Lynden Road, as indicated on Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas, the following shall also be permitted:

OPA #195  
June 28/16

- .4 Supermarket
- .5 Department Store
- .6 Hotel
- .7 Retail Warehouse

**7.8.127 Area 127 – 94-96 Grey Street**OPA#198  
Nov. 22/17

Notwithstanding the “Mixed Commercial Residential Area” designation on the lands in Area 127 – 94-96 Grey Street, as indicated on Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas, the following shall also be permitted:

- .1 A Supermarket with a maximum gross floor area of 2,410 m<sup>2</sup>.



**7.8.128            Area 128 – 565 West Street**

OPA #202  
Aug. 22/17

Notwithstanding Section 7.4.3 – “General Industrial Area” designation applying to the lands in Area 128 – 565 West Street, as indicated on **Schedule 2 – Modified Policy Areas**, the following uses are permitted:

1. One Health Club; and
2. One Restaurant with a drive-through.



## **8. NATURAL HERITAGE**

### **8.1 General**

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| 8.1.1 | This section establishes policies to help protect and enhance Brantford's natural heritage resources and must be read in conjunction with relevant portions of Section 9 and 10 of this Plan.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| 8.1.2 | This Section establishes policies and delineations as shown on <b><u>Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas</u></b> and <b><u>Schedule 3-2 - Natural Heritage: Mineral Resources</u></b> , which will be applied in conjunction with the land use policies and designations of Section 7 and <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> and <b><u>Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas</u></b> . Therefore, certain land use policies and designations may be qualified to include special restrictions or requirements for the policy areas delineated on <b><u>Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas</u></b> and <b><u>Schedule 3-2 - Natural Heritage: Mineral Resources</u></b> and/or embodied in the policies of Section 8. | OPA #26<br>Aug. 2/91<br><br>OPA #32<br>April 21/92<br><br>OPA #48<br>May 5/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00       |
| 8.1.3 | Natural Heritage policies and delineations include the following:<br><br>.1 Environmental Protection Policy Areas;<br>.2 Environmental Control Policy Areas;<br>.3 Adjacent Lands;<br>.4 Wetlands; and<br>.5 Mineral Resource Areas.   | Min. Mod. #10<br>Nov. 4/87<br><br>OPA #32<br>April 21/92<br><br>OPA #48<br>May 5/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 8.1.4 | Development will be carefully controlled on lands containing significant natural features such as wetlands, ravines, forests, and rare or high quality plant or wildlife communities, so as to protect these features wherever possible.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| 8.1.5 | In order to achieve the Plan's Goals and Objectives regarding the environment it will be necessary for the Municipality to form partnerships in the community to assist in ensuring the resources are used and managed in the interests of all concerns.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| 8.1.6 | While all portions of the environment in the Municipality are to be considered, particular emphasis shall be placed on the roles played by the Grand River and natural areas.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |
| 8.1.7 | When deliberating on matters pertaining to the environment, consideration shall be made in light of all factors, including environmental, social and economic, to ensure that fully-informed decisions are taken.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00  |



- 8.1.8 Development within the various designations shown on **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas** may be permitted in accordance with the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** subject to the following general policies in conjunction with the specific policies contained in Sections 8.2, 8.3, 8.4 and 8.5 of this Plan:
- OPA #84  
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- OPA #125  
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- .1 Development applications adjacent to the Grand River Valley slopes and tributary valley slopes must include a geotechnical assessment prepared by a qualified professional to establish the erosion hazard limit and the designated top of slope line to the satisfaction of the City and the Grand River Conservation Authority.
  - .2 The City and/or the Grand River Conservation Authority may require the application of erosion and siltation control measures during the construction period as a condition of development approval.
  - .3 Water quality measures (e.g., water quality ponds) shall meet applicable Grand River Conservation Authority and Provincial criteria.
  - .4 The road pattern shown on **Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan** is diagrammatic and conceptual only. Final alignments will be determined during the processing of development applications. When an application for development includes lands adjacent to an Environmental Protection Area - Northwest, as identified on **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas**, more detailed studies of the natural environment are required for all major development proposals. As a result of these studies, realignments of the road pattern to protect significant natural features may be required provided that the general intent of **Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan** is maintained.
  - .5 Development and site alteration is not permitted in fish habitat except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements. Any development proposed within the watershed of a cold-water fishery shall be required to document techniques to be implemented to ensure that water quality and quantity is not detrimentally impacted, or what measures may be undertaken to mitigate against or compensate for loss of habitat.
- OPA #143  
July 4/08
- OPA #84  
July 14/00
- Min. Mod. #1  
April 21/92
- OPA #84  
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- OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08



## **8.2 Environmental Protection Policy Area**

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July 14/00

8.2.1 In addition to the provisions of Section 8.1.8, development within the Environmental Protection Policy Areas, as identified on **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas**, may be permitted in accordance with the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** subject to the following policies:

OPA #32  
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OPA #125  
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.1 Environmental Protection Policy Areas have the highest level of intended protection and shall include significant areas of natural and scientific interest, habitat of endangered and threatened species, Provincially Significant Savannahs, Provincially Significant Wetlands, ravines with watercourses, significant forested areas, the Regulatory Flood Plain of the Grand River, D'Aubigny Creek and the tributaries of Fairchild Creek, a vegetative buffer zone along its course, and areas of significant groundwater discharge.

Min. Mod. #2  
April 21/92

OPA #84  
July 14/00

OPA #143  
July 4/08

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

.2 Environmental Protection Policy Areas are intended to protect and maintain natural conditions and functions and to prohibit development which may cause environmental degradation.

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Min. Mod. #3  
April 21/92

.3 The predominant use of Environmental Protection Policy Areas shall be for passive recreation, hiking trails, nature study and conservation uses. A golf course is permitted on lands identified as Part Lot 15 to 20 inclusive, Concessions II and III. Secondary uses which may be permitted include erosion and flood control measures and, if properly justified, public transportation facilities, utilities and storm water management, approved by the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities. Any proposals for the uses listed above within the Environmental Protection Policy Area shall include supporting documentation which recognizes significant natural features and describes mitigative measures to be undertaken to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities.

Min. Mod. #4a &  
4b  
April 21/92

OPA #84  
July 14/00



- .4 Applications for development for those uses noted in Section 8.2.1.3 above which either contain or abut an Environmental Protection Policy Area shall include a detailed report which shall: delineate precisely the location of the significant natural features within the development, document the compatibility of the proposed development with the significant natural features, including mitigating measures such as setbacks and special construction techniques, and show how the natural features and functions shall be maintained. Such detailed reports will be to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities.
- .5 The vegetative buffer zone for the Grand River, delineated as an Environmental Protection Policy Area, shall be interpreted to extend a minimum of 30 m measured horizontally from the shoreline. Where a steep slope (i.e., greater than 10 percent slope and 2 m vertical height) occurs within the 30 m zone, the vegetative buffer zone shall be sufficiently wide to include a minimum 9 m setback from the top of the bank of the steep slope.

Min. Mod. #5a &  
#5b  
April 21/92

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OPA #84  
July 14/00



### **8.3 Environmental Control Policy Area**

OPA #84  
July 14/00

8.3.1 In addition to the provisions of Section 8.1.8, development within the Environmental Control Policy Areas, as identified on **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas**, may be permitted in accordance with the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, subject to the following policies:

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OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

- .1 Environmental Control Policy Areas contain sensitive natural features such as steep slopes, streams, wetlands, areas of groundwater discharge and representative tree cover, and are designated on the basis of being comprised of fish habitat, significant woodlands, significant wildlife habitat, significant Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest, natural linkages, and locally significant prairies and savannahs. Policies are intended to conserve natural conditions and functions and to promote integration with proposed land uses.

Min. Mod. #9b  
April 21/92

OPA #84  
July 14/00

Development and site alteration may be permitted within Environmental Control Policy Areas if it is demonstrated in an Impact Assessment that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or the ecological functions for which the area is identified or where an appropriate compensation or remedial strategy is approved by the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities. This Impact Assessment will be conducted in accordance with the Impact Assessment Guidelines contained in Appendix III of this Plan, and to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority, and all other appropriate approval authorities.

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- .2 Desirable natural features will be preserved wherever possible, and alterations to the existing topography and vegetation are to be minimized.
- .3 In support of any development proposal, environmental and arborist reports will identify features and trees most suitable and desirable for protection. The reports will describe measures which must be implemented to ensure long-term protection of natural features.
- .4 Section deleted by Minister's Modification.
- .5 Lots will be of sufficient size and depth to ensure preservation of trees recommended in the arborist report. The goal is to preserve, wherever possible, the healthy representative and suitable tree cover within the lots proposed for development.

Min. Mod. #6  
April 21/92



- .6 A site plan satisfactory to the City which shows building envelopes and tree preservation areas will be required in support of development proposals where there is significant tree cover.
- .7 All buildings and structures shall maintain a minimum setback of 15.0 metres from the designated top of slope line.
- .8 Applications for development within the Environmental Control Policy Area shall provide a detailed report which shall: delineate precisely the location of the major natural features within the development; identify the relative values and merits of these natural features; assess the ability to maintain and manage such features in an urban setting; and to weigh the merits of maintaining such a feature relative to other planning considerations, including transportation, land use, engineering and housing needs. Such detailed reports will be to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority, and all other appropriate approval authorities.
 

Min. Mod. #7  
April 21/92

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July 14/00
- .9 When an application for development includes land containing any watercourse or fisheries habitat, it will comply with the provisions of the Fisheries Act and the Conservation Authorities Act, and shall be required to document techniques to be implemented to ensure that water quality and quantity is not detrimentally impacted or what measures may be undertaken to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities to maintain or mitigate against or compensate for loss of habitat.
 

Min. Mod. #8a & #8b  
April 21/92

OPA #84  
July 14/00
- .10 Areas identified as steep slopes are intended to be maintained in their natural state, the City will use regulatory powers under the Planning Act to implement this policy, including the use of setbacks in the Zoning Bylaw.
- .11 Within the Environmental Control Policy Area, any industrial development immediately south of Hardy Road shall be appropriately bermed and screened from abutting residential areas.
 

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## **8.4      Adjacent Lands**

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July 14/00

8.4.1      All areas within 50 metres of an Environmental Protection Policy Area or an Environmental Control Policy Area as shown on **Schedule 3-1 – Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas** shall be considered adjacent lands, with the exception of fish habitats where all areas within 30 metres shall be considered adjacent lands. In the case of Provincially Significant Wetlands and other wetlands greater than or equal to 2.0 hectares in size, all areas within 120 metres shall be considered adjacent lands. In the case of other wetlands smaller than 2.0 hectares in size but larger than 0.5 hectares, all areas within 30 metres shall be considered adjacent lands. For the significant habitat of endangered and threatened species, adjacent lands shall be considered those areas within 50 metres, unless otherwise stipulated.

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8.4.2      Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands unless the ecological functions of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions. The Impact Assessment will be conducted in accordance with the Impact Assessment Guidelines contained in Appendix III of this Plan, and to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority policies for the administration of the Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation, and all other appropriate authorities.

OPA #143  
July 4/08

8.4.3      Hydrogeological studies to demonstrate that there will be no negative impacts on groundwater quantity or quality, or on the natural features that depend on groundwater will be required as a condition of development in those areas indicated on **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas**. These studies will be to the satisfaction of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority, and all other appropriate approval authorities.



## **8.5 Wetlands**

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| 8.5.1 | Prior to development and site alteration of: a) lands containing a wetland area; or, b) lands which drain into any abutting lands which contain a wetland area, an evaluation of the wetland shall be undertaken by the proponent to determine its wetland classification. Such study shall be conducted using the evaluation system approved for use by the Province and shall be subject to the approval of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br>Min. Mod. #2<br>June 1/95<br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>Min. Mod. #6<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 8.5.2 | Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in wetlands classified as provincially significant and development and site alteration adjacent to provincially significant wetlands shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.5.3.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>Min. Mod. #7<br>Dec. 3/08   |
| 8.5.3 | An Impact Assessment will be required to be completed by the proponents, to the satisfaction of the City and the Grand River Conservation Authority, prior to development of lands lying within 120 metres of a Provincially Significant Wetland or a wetland which is 2.0 hectares or greater in size, or within 30 metres of an unevaluated wetland smaller than 2.0 hectares in size but larger than 0.5 hectares, to evaluate the ecological function of the adjacent lands, establish the width of the required vegetative buffer and demonstrate that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological function.<br><br>Where an Impact Assessment for a specific wetland or wetland complex is required, it shall be subject to the approval of the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #143<br>July 4/08   |



**8.6 Mineral Resource Areas**OPA #84  
July 14/00

8.6.1 Mineral Resource Areas are those areas licensed by the Province of Ontario and those areas having the potential for commercial extraction of mineral resources.

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8.6.2 Development will be carefully controlled in all land-use designations subject to a Mineral Resource Area delineation on **Schedule 3-2 - Natural Heritage: Mineral Resources**, so as not to preclude the availability of proven mineral resources and adjacent land-uses will be controlled so as not to impact on existing or future extraction.

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8.6.3 Development in accordance with the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** may be permitted where:

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- a) The licensed extraction operation has been completed; or
- b) The applicant can demonstrate that the mineral resources are not economically suitable for extraction based on the quality or quantity of the resource; or
- c) The mineral resources will be extracted prior to, or concurrent with, development of the lands; or
- d) Further extraction would be detrimental to effective rehabilitation or after-use of the lands.

8.6.4 Temporary wayside pits and quarries, portable asphalt plants and portable concrete plants used on public authority contracts shall be permitted, subject to municipal consultation and the issuance of any required permits by the appropriate approval authority, without the need for an Official Plan Amendment, rezoning or development permit under the *Planning Act* in all areas, except those areas of existing development or particular environmental sensitivity which have been determined to be incompatible with extraction and associated activities. Utilization of inactive pits and quarries for temporary wayside pits and quarries, portable asphalt plants and portable concrete plants will be encouraged.

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8.6.5 The establishment of new licensed extraction operations, or the expansion of the existing licensed extraction areas, will require an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw.

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| 8.6.6 | Applications for an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw in accordance with Section 8.6.5 will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 compatibility with adjacent existing and planned land-uses;</li> <li>.2 Deleted</li> <li>.3 potential impacts on the natural environment, including measures required to minimize any adverse impacts;</li> <li>.4 potential impacts on the quality and quantity of surface and ground water systems;</li> <li>.5 potential impacts of the transportation system;</li> <li>.6 the manner in which the mineral resource extraction will be carried out; and</li> <li>.7 other such matters as Council deems necessary.</li> </ul>   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 8.6.7 | All applications for amendments to the Zoning Bylaw in accordance with Section 8.6.5 shall include the following:  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 the location, dimensions, topography, area, and description of the site proposed for a licensed extraction;</li> <li>.2 the location, height, dimensions, and use of all buildings or structures existing or proposed to be erected on the site;</li> <li>.3 the location, quality, and estimated quantity of the mineral resources;</li> <li>.4 the use of all land, and the location and use of all buildings and structures lying within a distance of 150 m;</li> <li>.5 existing and anticipated final grades of excavation and excavation setbacks within the site;</li> <li>.6 surface water diversion, storage and drainage provisions;</li> <li>.7 all entrances, exits, and proposed routes to be used by associated transport;</li> <li>.8 locations of stock-piles for overburden strippings and mineral resources;</li> <li>.9 proposed tree screening and berming;</li> <li>.10 progressive and ultimate internal road plans;</li> <li>.11 progressive and ultimate rehabilitation plans;</li> </ul> |                       |



- .12 extent of adjacent property holdings which may be intended for future mineral resource extraction operations, where appropriate;
- .13 hydrology, soil, wildlife, or vegetation studies which may be required by Council due to specific site concerns; and
- .14 hydrogeologic reports including predicted effects on local water tables and wells;
- .15 studies to predict impact of noise and vibration beyond the site;
- .16 dust studies to determine the effect of dust beyond the site; and
- .17 other information as Council deems necessary.

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8.6.8

Council shall encourage the rehabilitation of licensed extraction areas for future use in accordance with their land-use designation on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, and in a manner compatible with adjacent existing and planned land-uses. Progressive rehabilitation concurrent with the resource extraction, will also be encouraged.

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**8.7 Energy Conservation**

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**8.8 Mineral Resource Areas**

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(renumbered as Section 8.6)

**8.9 Environmental Policy Area - Northwest**

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**8.10 Environmental Policy Area - D'Aubigny Creek Natural Area**

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**8.11 Wetlands**

OPA #84  
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(renumbered as Section 8.5)

**8.12 Archaeological Resources**

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(renumbered as Section 9.9)



## **9. CULTURAL HERITAGE AND ARCHAEOLOGY**

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The City of Brantford has a long and varied history that is intimately associated with the Grand River. The Grand, a Canadian Heritage River, played a central organizing role in the settlement of First Nations and Euro-Canadian peoples in Brant County and Southern Ontario generally. Brantford is rich in cultural heritage resources, including built heritage resources, cultural heritage landscapes, archaeological sites and commemorative monuments, that contribute to a rooted sense of local identity and community and provide continuity between the past and the present.

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Heritage conservation is a wise investment for the future. It makes our neighbourhoods even more attractive and increases their desirability and value. The City will demonstrate a leadership role in the conservation of its own properties in a responsible way and The Plan focuses on conserving Brantford cultural heritage resources.

### **9.1 General**

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| 9.1.1 | Section 9 establishes additional policies to provide for the conservation of cultural heritage resources within Brantford. These policies are guided by relevant sections of the Planning Act and are consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement. Certain land use policies and designations of this Plan may be qualified to include special restrictions or requirement embodied in the policies of this Section. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 9.1.2 | The City encourages the responsible management of cultural heritage resources.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #49<br>June 1/95  |
| 9.1.3 | The City shall seek to conserve cultural heritage resources.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                              |
| 9.1.4 | For the purposes of this Official Plan, the following definitions shall apply:   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                              |
- .1 "built heritage resource" means the whole or part of one or more buildings, structures, monuments, installations or remains that have been identified as being historically and/or architecturally significant and are valued by the City;
  - .2 "cultural heritage landscape" means a defined geographic area of heritage significance which has been modified by human activities. Such an area is significant to the understanding of a people or place and is valued by the City;
  - .3 "cultural heritage resource" means artifacts such as art, literature, music, handicrafts, tools, equipment, furnishings, communications, documents, music and folklore which are significant to the understanding of a people or place and are



valued by the City.

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| 9.1.5  | Conservation of areas, sites, buildings or structures of historical, architectural or archaeological merit will be encouraged throughout the City, where feasible.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                          |
| 9.1.6  | The City must consult with the Brantford Heritage Committee, which is the Municipal Heritage Committee (MHC) for the city, on matters relating to the heritage resources of the municipality.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 9.1.7  | All City owned heritage resources will be conserved and maintained in a good state of repair.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                          |
| 9.1.8  | When a City owned heritage property is sold, leased or transferred to another owner, a heritage easement agreement will be secured and public access maintained to areas with heritage value.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                          |
| 9.1.9  | The re-use of buildings with architectural or historic importance will be considered when selecting buildings for public functions.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                          |
| 9.1.10 | <p>Applications for development of a property designated under the terms and conditions of the Ontario Heritage Act will be required to include a Heritage Impact Statement prepared by a qualified heritage conservation professional. A Heritage Impact Statement may also be required on a property that is listed in the City's Heritage Inventory or where development is proposed adjacent to a known heritage resource. The requirement may also apply to unknown or recorded heritage resources that are discovered during the development application stage or construction.</p> <p>A Heritage Impact Statement is a study to determine the impacts to known and potential heritage resources within a defined area. The study results in a report which identifies all known heritage resources, provides a detailed site history and physical description of the heritage resource, photo-documents the as-found interior and exterior of the resource; evaluates the significance of the resource(s); outlines the proposed development; assesses the impact of the proposal on the resources(s) and makes recommendations toward mitigative measures that would minimize negative impacts.</p> | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                          |
| 9.1.11 | The City will prepare guidelines to provide direction under which circumstances a Heritage Impact Assessment may be required and the scope of the Heritage Impact Assessment.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                          |



**9.2 Heritage Conservation Districts**OPA #84  
July 14/00

- 9.2.1 Certain areas of the City may be established as Heritage Conservation Study Areas by bylaws enacted pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act and examined as potential Heritage Conservation Districts on the basis of satisfying at least one of the following criteria:
- .1 the area represents a group of historically or architecturally significant buildings or structures in regard to their style, originality, age, craftsmanship, or identification with a specific period or persons in Brantford's history; or
  - .2 the area represents a site identified with a specific period or persons within Brantford's history.
- 9.2.2 The City, in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee, shall undertake the necessary studies of the Heritage Conservation Study Areas prior to the preparation of a Heritage Conservation District Plan for the areas designated under Section 9.2.1. These studies may address the following:
- .1 land use;
  - .2 pedestrian and vehicular movement systems;
  - .3 the cultural heritage value or interest of individual buildings, structures, landscapes, or sites within a study area;
  - .4 ownership patterns;
  - .5 the visual environment;
  - .6 the physical condition of the buildings, structures, or sites;
  - .7 the socio-economic conditions of the Study Area; and
  - .8 the present and potential development proposals within the Study Area.
- 9.2.3 Based on the studies undertaken, where warranted, in Section 9.2.2, a Heritage Conservation District Plan may be prepared in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee, outlining the planning policies necessary to conserve the heritage aspects of the District.
- 9.2.4 The study area, or portions thereof, may be designated by Bylaw enacted pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, as a Heritage Conservation District.

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9.2.5	The bylaw enacted under Section 9.2.4 shall:	OPA #84 July 14/00
	.1 identify the extent of the Heritage Conservation District;	
	.2 establish the procedures for alteration or demolition of existing buildings, as well as the erection of new buildings;	
	.3 establish the process for appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board; and	
	.4 identify any aspects of the Heritage Conservation District Plan which require implementation by bylaws enacted pursuant to the Planning Act.	
9.2.6	The Heritage Conservation District Plan may be in the form of a Secondary Plan and may be incorporated into this Official Plan by amendment.	OPA #84 July 14/00
<b>9.3</b>	<b><u>Designation of Cultural Heritage Resources</u></b>	OPA #84 July 14/00 OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
9.3.1	The City, in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee, may designate properties of cultural heritage value or interest by bylaw enacted pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act.	OPA #84 July 14/00 OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
9.3.2	As prescribed in Ontario Heritage Act Regulation 9/06, in determining the cultural heritage significance of a heritage resource and its contextual elements, regard shall be had, but not limited, to the following criteria:	OPA #84 July 14/00 Min. Mod. #10 Dec. 3/08
	.1 the resource and associated features date from an important period in Brantford's historical development;	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
	.2 it is a good, representative, early or rare example of the work of an important architect, engineer, builder, designer, or other artisan, or it is a good, representative or rare example of its period, architectural style, building or design, method of engineering or construction or form of land use within the municipality;	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
	.3 it is associated with a person or group of persons of local, provincial, national or international importance;	
	.4 it is associated with an event or movement of local, provincial, national or international importance;	
	.5 it is a good, representative example of a significant method of engineering or construction;	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
	.6 it is a good, representative example of outstanding interior design;	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
	.7 it makes an important contribution to the urban composition or	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08



streetscape which it forms a part.

9.3.3	DELETED	OPA #84 July 14/00 OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
9.3.4	Selected properties identified through the inventory conducted under Section 9.4 may be designated, by bylaw passed under the Ontario Heritage Act, for preservation and protection from alteration where such alteration is likely to affect the reason for the designation as contained in the bylaw.	OPA #84 July 14/00
9.3.5	Alterations may be made to any properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, provided that such alterations do not affect the reasons for the designation, are in keeping with the policies of this Official Plan, and meet the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw and Building Code. A Heritage Impact Statement prepared by a qualified heritage conservation professional may be required to support proposed alterations.	OPA #84 July 14/00  OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
9.3.6	Reasonable methods of incorporating the whole or part of a designated heritage resource into new development shall be investigated and such incorporation encouraged where possible. A Heritage Impact Statement prepared by a qualified heritage conservation professional will be required to support the proposed development.	OPA #84 July 14/00  OPA #125 Dec. 3/08



**9.4 Inventory of Heritage Resources**OPA #84  
July 14/00

- 9.4.1 The City, in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee and other local agencies and groups, may develop and maintain inventories of cultural heritage resources including built heritage resources (including contextual elements) and cultural heritage landscapes, in the City of Brantford. The inventory will be based on the criteria outlined in Section 9.3 of this Plan and will include an itemized summary of heritage attributes in each case.
- 9.4.2 The City, in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee and other local agencies and groups, may also identify and plan for areas with special heritage qualities, with a view towards conserving and enhancing their unique character.
- 9.4.3 Information on Brantford's heritage resources will be integrated into the City of Brantford's Geographic Information System, and used to inform all heritage, planning and economic development matters.
- 9.4.4 Applications for demolition of an inventoried heritage resource will be required to include a Heritage Impact Statement prepared by a qualified heritage conservation professional.

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Dec. 3/08**9.5 Heritage Incentives**OPA #84  
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- 9.5.1 The City, in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee, may investigate and offer a variety of financial incentives to encourage and assist with the conservation, restoration and reuse of heritage resources.
- 9.5.2 The City, in consultation with the Brantford Heritage Committee, may investigate and offer increases in height and density, expansions of permitted land uses and relaxed parking standards through amendments to the Zoning Bylaw to encourage and assist with the conservation, restoration and reuse of heritage resources.
- 9.5.3 In accordance with the Policies of this Plan, and pursuant to the Planning Act, the City may prepare Community Improvement Plans for areas of the City with special heritage qualities to preserve and enhance the character of these areas.
- 9.5.4 Methods of obtaining funding for the conservation and restoration and reuse of heritage resources through the assistance of the province and all other appropriate authorities will be investigated.

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- 9.8.1 The Grand River watershed, an important cultural heritage landscape, was granted Canadian Heritage River status in 1994 because of the abundant nationally significant heritage and recreational features associated with the Grand River. The City of Brantford recognizes, and will continue to support and promote, the national significance of the watershed.
- 9.8.2 The City recognizes the transboundary nature of planning and resource management issues in the watershed, and will continue to support and participate in watershed-based planning activities, coordinated by the Grand River Conservation Authority and other authorities, where appropriate.
- 9.8.3 The City will continue to support and participate in appropriate events that celebrate and promote the Grand River watershed as a Canadian Heritage River.
- 9.8.4 The City will continue to encourage and support the conservation and interpretation of heritage and natural resources in the watershed by private landowners.
- 9.8.5 The City will continue to support and participate in appropriate economic development initiatives within the watershed, particularly those which link outdoor recreational opportunities with built, cultural and natural heritage resources.

**9.9 Archaeological Resources**OPA #84  
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- 9.9.1 For the purposes of this Official Plan, the following definitions will apply:
- .1 "archaeological resource" means the remains of any building, activity, structure, place or cultural feature, which because of the passage of time is on or below the surface of the land or water, and which has been identified and evaluated and determined to be significant to the understanding of the history of a people or place;
  - .2 "significant archaeological resource" means an archaeological resource that has been identified and evaluated to be of significance based upon the assessment of the resource by a licenced archaeologist;

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- .3 "areas of archaeological potential" are those areas that have been identified in the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources for the City of Brantford as having potential for the discovery of prehistoric and historic archaeological resources.
- 9.9.2 Council shall maintain a Master Plan of Archaeological Resources for the City of Brantford which may include the following:
- .1 an inventory of registered and unregistered archaeological sites;
  - .2 an archaeological site potential model based on known site locations, past and present land uses, environmental and cultural-historical data;
  - .3 planning guidelines for archaeological resources;
  - .4 a management strategy for known and potential archaeological resources; and
  - .5 Available and updated archaeological site data locations shall be obtained from the provincial data base of the Ministry of Culture under the provisions of a municipal-provincial data sharing agreement, for the purpose of heritage conservation planning.
- 9.9.3 Council will consider the need for revisions to the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources every five years. Six Nations of the Grand River and the Mississaugas of the New Credit shall be notified at such time that the City of Brantford Council commences the consideration of an update to the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources and shall be invited to participate in the revisions process, should the City of Brantford Council provide consent to the Master Plan update
- 9.9.4 Council recognizes that archaeological sites are fragile in nature and that such sites may be destroyed or altered by land development activity. Where land development applications are submitted for properties that are adjacent to, or on, known archaeological sites or where any portion of the subject lands are located within an area of archaeological potential, as identified in the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources, an archaeological resource assessment shall be undertaken to determine an appropriate method to protect and manage the resource. Such assessments shall be prepared in accordance with current technical guidelines and to the satisfaction of the Province. The archaeological resource assessment report shall be submitted to the City of Brantford and to all other appropriate approval authorities prior to the approval of land disturbing activity. Six Nations of the Grand River and the Mississaugas of the New Credit shall be provided notification in regards to the identification of burial sites and significant archaeological resources relating to the activities of their ancestors. The Plan for the protection or salvage of the site must be approved by the City of Brantford and all other appropriate approval authorities and must be completed prior to any

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| 9.9.5  | Where an aggregate resource area is located within an area of archaeological potential, as identified in the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources, appropriate archaeological assessments must be carried out and appropriate mitigation strategies executed, to the satisfaction of the City and all appropriate approval authorities, prior to the opening of a new pit or quarry.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00      |
| 9.9.6  | City shall ensure that municipal departments and other public agencies, when conducting public work projects in areas of archaeological potential, as identified in the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources for the City of Brantford, shall complete, where feasible, archaeological assessments and any required mitigation prior to carrying out any land disturbing activity.  |                            |
| 9.9.7  | The City of Brantford may establish standards for the submission of archaeological assessment reports consistent with the maintenance requirements of the Master Plan of Archaeological Resources.   |                            |
| 9.9.8  | The City of Brantford shall adopt a contingency plan for the protection of archaeological resources in urgent situations. Such a contingency plan will apply if archaeological resources or human remains are discovered during construction activity. The contingency plan shall specify the provincial ministries to be contacted and the postponement of construction activity in the vicinity of the discovery until appropriate mitigation measures are identified and executed.  |                            |
| 9.9.9  | Where the areas of archaeological potential are located in the historic core, or are in the vicinity of historically significant commercial enterprises or are on lands that have previously been approved for development, the development proponents should be advised of the potential presence of archaeological resources. The development proponent should be further advised that if significant archaeological resources are discovered during the course of construction activity, that the site should be protected from further disturbance until a licensed archaeologist has completed an assessment and any necessary mitigation has been completed. |                            |
| 9.9.10 | Any alterations to known archaeological sites shall only be performed by licensed archaeologists, as per Section 48 of the Ontario Heritage Act.   | Min. Mod. #14<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 9.9.11 | Council recognizes there may be a need for archaeological preservation on site or rescue excavation of significant archaeological resources as a result of development proposals. Council may consider archaeological preservation on site, to ensure that the integrity of the resource is maintained.  | Min. Mod. #14<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 9.9.12 | Council may maintain the integrity of archaeological resources by adopting zoning bylaws under Section 34(1) 3.3 of the Ontario Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, to prohibit any land use activities or the erection of buildings or structures on land which is a site of a significant archaeological resource.   | Min. Mod. #14<br>Dec. 3/08 |



9.9.13

Council shall ensure adequate archaeological assessment and consult appropriate government agencies, including the Ministry of Culture (MCL) and the Ministry of Government Services (MGS), when an identified marked or unmarked cemetery is affected by land use development. The provisions under the *Heritage Act* and the *Cemeteries Act* shall apply.

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**10. COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY**OPA #84  
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- 10.1.1 Section 10 establishes policies to provide for the creation of a safe and healthy environment for the residents of Brantford.

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- 10.1.2 This Section establishes policies and delineations as shown on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain; Schedule 4-2 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain Breach Zone; Schedule 4-3 - Community Health and Safety: Steep Slope Erosion Hazard; Schedule 4-4 - Community Health and Safety: Slope Setback; Schedule 4-5 - Community Health and Safety: Abandoned Landfill Sites** which will be applied in conjunction with the land use policies and designations of Section 7, **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan, Schedule 1-2 - Growth Management Plan and Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**. Therefore, certain land use policies and designations may be qualified to include special restrictions or requirements for the policy areas delineated on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain; Schedule 4-2 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain Breach Zone; Schedule 4-3 - Community Health and Safety: Steep Slope Erosion Hazard; Schedule 4-4 - Community Health and Safety: Slope Setback; Schedule 4-5 - Community Health and Safety: Abandoned Landfill Sites**.

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- 10.1.3 Environment policies and delineations include the following:

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- .1 The Floodplain of the Grand River, D'Aubigny Creek and the tributaries of Fairchild Creek;
- .2 Steep Slope and Erosion Hazard;
- .3 Abandoned Landfill Sites;
- .4 Noise and Vibration;
- .5 Buffering; and
- .6 Energy Conservation.

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- 10.1.4 In addition to the requirements of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005, development of a property must comply with Ontario Regulation 153/04. Also, development of a property, which results in a change to a more sensitive use, shall require the completion of a City of Brantford Qualified Person Affidavit (QPA) "Compliance with Environmental Protection Act O. Reg. 153/04". Notwithstanding the aforementioned development condition, the City of Brantford reserves the right to require a QPA based on information available to the City and in the professional judgment of City staff.

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## **10.2 Grand River, D'Aubigny Creek and Tributaries of Fairchild Creek Floodplain Areas**

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- 10.2.1 The floodplain includes all lands adjacent to a watercourse which have been or may be subject to flooding hazards. The Regulatory Floodline defines the limits of the floodplain and is calculated using the Hurricane Hazel storm-centered event of 1954 which is the Provincial flood standard for this area. The floodplain limits of the Grand River, D'Aubigny Creek, and the tributaries of Fairchild Creek in the City are shown on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain**, to this Plan. A more precise delineation of the floodplain can be determined from mapping available through the Grand River Conservation Authority.

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Engineered flood risk mapping and engineered regulatory flood elevations may not be available for the Grand River tributaries. A floodplain analysis may be required to be provided by the proponent to the satisfaction of the City and the Grand River Conservation Authority, to define the flood risk and the extent of the hazardous lands impacted by flooding hazards. Changes to the boundary of the floodplain, as established by an approved study, do not require amendments to the Official Plan.

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- 10.2.2 The Floodplain of the Grand River, D'Aubigny Creek, and the tributaries of Fairchild Creek as they pass through the City are characterized by two sets of circumstances. The first is where development generally has not taken place and lands comprising the floodplain are mostly vacant, or are in open space or agricultural uses. The second is where large areas of the floodplain have had a long history of development and are used for a full range of land uses including a variety of residential, commercial, industrial and institutional forms of development.

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- 10.2.3 The City and the Grand River Conservation Authority have completed a comprehensive program of installing dykes and other flood control works to protect the areas of historical development within the floodplain of the Grand River and to reduce potential damages resulting from flooding. The City, in consultation with the Conservation Authority, will establish formal operational policy to carry out an ongoing program of comprehensive, regular inspection and maintenance of the structural integrity of the dykes and associated flood control infrastructure. The purpose of this program is to minimize the risk of breaching of these dykes in the future and ensuring that existing and future development continue to be given reasonable protection from flooding.

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10.2.4 People live and work in all parts of the floodplain including both areas protected and unprotected by dykes. The City acknowledges that protection to persons against the dangers resulting from flooding can't be guaranteed by structural works alone. The City has developed and adopted an Emergency Plan to deal with this type of emergency and others. This Emergency Plan assigns responsibilities and guides immediate actions of key public officials during the development of a flood emergency and after the onset of an emergency. This comprehensive, co-ordinated effort is in addition to individual emergency operations carried out by municipal agencies. This plan is frequently reviewed and updated to ensure that the procedures are kept current and that all participants are kept familiar with its provisions. The Emergency Plan takes into account and is intended to deal with the worst case scenario - a situation that develops without warning. It is a policy of the Official Plan that such an Emergency Plan remain in place, be kept current and be implemented when a flood emergency begins to develop.

10.2.5 The Emergency Plan works in conjunction with the Flood Warning System co-ordinated by the Conservation Authority for the Grand River watershed. It is a policy of the Official Plan to urge the Conservation Authority to maintain, update and implement the Flood Warning System and for the City of Brantford to participate in it.

10.2.6 To assist in meeting the objective of this Plan to provide for the reasonable and safe use of lands within the Floodplain commensurate with the protection afforded by the flood control works this Plan establishes three sets of policies for floodplain lands within the City:

- i) Floodway Policy Area
- ii) Special Policy Area 1
- iii) Special Policy Area 2

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## 10.2.7 Floodway Policy Area

- .1 The Floodway Policy Area consists of all lands within the floodplain of the Grand River, D'Aubigny Creek, and the tributaries of Fairchild Creek, as it passes through the City, and is not protected by dykes. These lands are expected to flood at various times. The floodway policies established in this section apply to all land use designations in the area shown as Floodway on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain** to this Plan. The policies of this section are to be followed in addition to those in the respective land use designations. Where a conflict exists between them, the policies of this section shall prevail.
- .2 Development in the Floodway is to be limited to infrastructure of a public agency, flood control works and structures associated with open space uses.
- .3 Limited open space structures are permitted to support public recreational use of the lands; however the structures are to be minimal in scale and design recognizing they will be subject to inundation and ice damage.
- .4 All development within the Floodway Policy Area will be subject to Site Plan Control for the purposes of assuring the objectives and policies of this Plan are implemented. Development will also be subject to the approval of the Grand River Conservation Authority through the regulation of "Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses" regulation. The City will work with the Conservation Authority to co-ordinate the two approval functions to provide an efficient process.

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## 10.2.8 Special Policy Area 1

- .1 Special Policy Area 1 consists of all areas of the floodplain land within the City that are largely developed and are protected by dykes. The policies established in this section apply to all land use designations in the area shown as Special Policy Area 1 on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain** to this Plan. The policies of this section are to be followed in addition to those in the respective land use designations. Where a conflict exists between them, the policies of this section shall prevail.
- .2 The portions of the floodplain shown as Special Policy Area 1 are provided a reasonable level of protection from flooding through dyking and other flood control works; however full protection is not guaranteed and some risk of flooding is assumed. The Official Plan establishes this Special Policy Area to permit the continuation of the historical pattern of development in these areas in order to limit the social and economic hardship which would result from the prohibition of development.
- .3 Notwithstanding the policies for these land use designations established elsewhere in the Official Plan, the establishment of new land uses consisting of recycling uses, hospitals, nursing homes or schools (including pre-school, day care and school nurseries) is not permitted in this Special Policy Area. Extensions to such uses existing in the Special Policy Area will be permitted subject to the policies for development in the Area.
- .4 Notwithstanding policies found elsewhere in this Plan, new essential emergency services consisting of police, fire and ambulance stations and major electrical sub-stations are not permitted in this Special Policy Area.
- .5 Basements are not permitted in new development, including additions to existing buildings, in Special Policy Area 1.
- .6 All new development in Special Policy Area 1 will have a first floor elevation not less than that of the nearest existing building comprising the main use on a lot or the elevation of the 100 Year Flood, whichever is less. Pipe and utility spaces may be provided below the elevation of the first floor; however all mechanical and electrical service equipment is to be installed above the first floor elevation.

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- .7 All additions to existing development in Special Policy Area 1 will have a first floor elevation not less than that of the existing building to which the addition is being made or the elevation of the 100 Year Flood, whichever is less. Pipe and utility spaces may be provided below the elevation of the first floor; however all mechanical and electrical service equipment is to be installed above the first floor elevation.
- .8 All development, including additions to existing development, in this Special Policy Area will be subject to Site Plan Control for the purposes of assuring the objectives and policies of this Plan are implemented. Development will also be subject to the approval of the Grand River Conservation Authority through the regulation of "Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses" regulation. The City will work with the Conservation Authority to co-ordinate the two approval functions to provide an efficient process. OPA #143  
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#### 10.2.9 Special Policy Area 2

- .1 Special Policy Area 2 consists of areas of the floodplain within the City that are not fully developed and are protected by dykes. The policies established in this section apply to all land use designations in the area shown as Special Policy Area 2 on **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain** to this Plan. The policies of this section are to be followed in addition to those in the respective land use designations. Where a conflict exists between them, the policies of this section shall prevail. OPA #84  
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- .2 The portions of the floodplain shown as Special Policy Area 2 are provided a reasonable level of protection from flooding through dyking and other flood control works; however full protection is not guaranteed and some risk of flooding is assumed. The Official Plan establishes this Special Policy Area to permit the completion of the historical pattern of development in the floodplain in order to limit the social and economic hardship which would result from the prohibition of development.
- .3 Notwithstanding the policies for these land use designations established elsewhere in the Official Plan, the establishment of recycling uses, hospitals, nursing homes or schools (including pre-school, day care and school nurseries) is not permitted in this Special Policy Area.



- .4 Notwithstanding policies found elsewhere in this Plan, new essential emergency services consisting of police, fire and ambulance stations and major electrical sub-stations are not permitted in this Special Policy Area.
- .5 In order to reduce the potential for loss of life and property damage in the event of a breach or over topping of the abutting dyke, development of one or more buildings constituting the main use of a lot is not permitted on that portion of a lot lying within the Breach Zone shown on **Schedule 4-2 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain Breach Zone** to this Plan. Accessory buildings may be permitted in the Breach Zone provided overland flow routes established by the comprehensive storm water management plan referred to in section 10.2.9.11 of this Plan are not negatively affected.

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The Breach Zone is calculated by the Grand River Conservation Authority on the basis of the elevation of the Regulatory Flood, existing ground elevation and engineering analysis of potential structural failure of dykes. The limits of the Breach Zone may be adjusted, with out requiring amendment to this Plan, to reflect detailed site elevation information, placement of fill, dyke reinforcement, etc., subject to the approval of the municipality and the Conservation Authority. Changes in the limits of the Breach Zone shall not impair the functionality of overland flow routes established by the comprehensive storm water management plan.

- .6 Basements are not permitted in new development, including additions to existing buildings, in Special Policy Area 2. Pipe and utility spaces may be provided below the elevation of the first floor; however all mechanical and electrical service equipment is to be installed above the first floor elevation.
- .7 All new development, excluding additions to existing buildings, in Special Policy Area 2 will have a first floor elevation not less than 1 m below the elevation of the Regulatory Flood.
- .8 Additions to existing buildings will have a first floor elevation not less than that of the existing building.
- .9 Notwithstanding Sections 10.2.9.7 and 10.2.9.8, buildings or portions of buildings designed for the parking of vehicles may have a lower finished floor elevation, provided that it is not less than the elevation of the centreline of the abutting street.

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- .10 Any development incorporating lands abutting any section of dyke shall convey to the municipality, as part of the conditions of development approval, a 6 metre wide right of way along the base of the dyke to facilitate ongoing and emergency maintenance of the dyke.
- .11 Surface water run-off resulting from breaching, overtopping or storm events occurring during times of high water flows in the Grand River can cause localized flooding in areas protected by the dykes due to storm water sewer outlets being closed. To prevent this, storm water management shall be undertaken on a comprehensive basis over the whole of the area. A storm water management plan shall be established for the whole of Special Policy Area 2 prior to development by plan of subdivision occurring in the area, although limited development may take place provided the proponent can demonstrate there will be no impact on flows resulting from a breach. Attenuation is to be provided to accommodate a design storm event of a specific duration occurring during times when storm water outlets are closed. The City and the Grand River Conservation Authority will jointly establish appropriate design standards to guide development of storm water management facilities to accommodate this occurrence as well as conventional storm water management functions.
- .12 All development in this Special Policy Area will be subject to Site Plan Control for the purposes of assuring the objectives and policies of this Plan are implemented. Development will also be subject to the approval of the Grand River Conservation Authority through the regulation of "Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses" regulation. The City will work with the Conservation Authority to co-ordinate the two approval functions to provide an efficient process.

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### 10.2.10 Changes in Land Use Designation in the Floodplain

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Where a land use designation, as shown on **Schedule 1-1 Land Use Plan** to this Plan, applying to one or more properties located in any portion of the floodplain is proposed to be changed to another land use designation, consideration will be given to increasing the requirements for protection against possible flooding. The need for increased protection will be dependent on the nature of the future land use. The greater protection will be achieved through increasing the elevation of the occupied portions of the proposed development. This increase in the elevation will be to a maximum equal to the Regulatory Flood elevation. The extent of the increase will be limited by the practicality of doing so, based on the nature of the future use and the elevation of adjacent streets and development, in order to ensure that there is balance between protection and the economic ability to utilize the lands.

Where such change of land use designation is to an industrial designation, policy shall be incorporated in the amendment to this Plan to require that the storage of hazardous materials be located above the elevation of the Regulatory Flood or the storage facilities be otherwise flood-proofed.

### 10.3 Steep Slope and Erosion Hazards

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- 10.3.1 In addition to the provisions of Section 7.8, 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 of this Plan, development applications within the Erosion Hazard area may be permitted subject to the following general policies, and the approval of the Grand River Conservation Authority through the "Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses" regulation. Known steep slope and erosion hazards are shown on **Schedule 4-3 Community Health and Safety: Steep Slope Erosion Hazards**, and **Schedule 4-4 Community Health and Safety: Slope Setback**.
- 10.3.2 Development applications adjacent to the Grand River valley slopes and tributary valley slopes must include a detailed geotechnical assessment to establish the designated top of slope line to the satisfaction of the City and the Grand River Conservation Authority.
- 10.3.3 Development and site alternation may be permitted within the Steep Slope and Erosion Hazard area if it is demonstrated in an Impact Assessment that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or the ecological functions for which the area is identified or where appropriate compensation or remedial strategy is approved by the City, the Grand River Conservation Authority and all other appropriate approval authorities. This Impact Assessment will be conducted in accordance with the Impact Assessment Guidelines contained in Appendix III of this Plan, and to the satisfaction of the City and Grand River Conservation Authority.



- 10.3.4 As a condition of development approval, the City and/or the Grand River Conservation Authority may require the application of erosion and siltation control measures during the construction period.
- 10.3.5 All buildings and structures shall maintain a minimum setback of 15.0 metres from the designated top of slope line.
- 10.3.6 Development and site alteration may be undertaken so that a fit into the natural contours of the land is achieved. This will affect the massing and location of buildings, structures, driveways and other features, and limit the extent of alteration to the landscape and natural vegetation.
- 10.3.7 Areas identified as steep slopes are intended to be maintained in their natural state, the City will use regulatory powers under the Planning Act to implement this policy, including the use of setbacks in the Zoning Bylaw.

#### **10.4 Abandoned Landfill Sites**

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- 10.4.1 Abandoned Landfill Sites are those areas identified by the City as having been used in the past for waste disposal purposes. These areas are divided into four categories as shown on **Schedule 4-5 - Community Health and Safety: Abandoned Landfill Sites.**

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#### **10.4.2 Category 1 Abandoned Landfill Sites**

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- .1 Category 1 abandoned landfill sites are those areas containing inert materials such as building demolition rubble or streetsweepings, which do not generate significant methane gas and do not adversely impact human health or the environment on adjacent lands. There is however, a risk of soil instability on these sites. Slope stability may also be an issue on some sites where steep slopes have been formed by the deposition of waste materials.
- .2 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered on these sites until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based on geotechnical investigations, including soil and groundwater quality investigations conducted in accordance with Provincial guidelines.

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- .3 Where necessary, and in accordance with Provincial Guidelines, development applications will incorporate remedial measures including technical controls, buffering and rehabilitation, to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, to prevent any adverse effects to human health and the environment originating from the old waste disposal site and ensure that the area can be safely developed for the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**.

#### 10.4.3 Category 2 Abandoned Landfill Sites

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- .1 Category 2 abandoned landfill sites are those areas containing waste materials which can leach and become mobile with surface water or groundwater. This leachate can have adverse impacts on human health and the environment on the site itself as well as surrounding properties. These potential impact areas vary from site to site, and are shown in Appendix IV-B to this Plan.
- .2 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered on these sites until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based on geotechnical investigations, including soil and groundwater quality investigations undertaken in accordance with Provincial Guidelines.
- .3 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered within the impact areas shown in Appendix IV-B to this Plan, until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based on groundwater quality investigations undertaken in accordance with Provincial Guidelines.
- .4 Where necessary, and in accordance with Provincial Guidelines, development applications will incorporate remedial measures including technical controls, buffering and rehabilitation, to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, to prevent any adverse effects to human health and the environment originating from the old waste disposal site and ensure that the area can be safely developed for the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**.



**10.4.4 Category 3 Abandoned Landfill Sites**OPA #125  
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- .1 Category 3 abandoned landfill sites are those areas containing material which generate significant quantities of methane gas. This methane gas poses a threat to human health and the environment on the site itself as well as surrounding properties. These potential impact areas vary from site to site and are shown in Appendix IV-C to this Plan.
- .2 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered on these sites until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based geotechnical investigations, including methane gas investigations and soil and groundwater quality investigations undertaken in accordance with Provincial Guidelines.
- .3 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered within the impact areas shown in Appendix IV-C to this Plan, until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based on investigations for methane gas in the subsurface.
- .4 Where necessary, and in accordance with Provincial Guidelines, development applications will incorporate remedial measures including technical controls, methane gas alarms, buffering and rehabilitation, to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, to prevent any adverse effects to human health and the environment originating from the old waste disposal site and ensure that the area can be safely developed for the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**.



#### 10.4.5 Category 4 Abandoned Landfill Sites

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- .1 Category 4 abandoned landfill sites are those areas containing waste materials that generate significant quantities of methane gas and adversely impact groundwater beneath surrounding properties. These potential impact areas vary from site to site and are shown in Appendix IV-D to this Plan.
- .2 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered on these sites until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based on geotechnical investigations, including methane gas investigations and soil and groundwater quality investigations undertaken in accordance with Provincial Guidelines.
- .3 Development applications, in accordance with the land use designations in **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, will not be considered within the impact areas shown in Appendix IV-D to this Plan, until the City has indicated its approval of the proposal based on methane gas investigations and groundwater quality investigations undertaken in accordance with Provincial Guidelines.
- .4 Where necessary, and in accordance with Provincial Guidelines, development applications will incorporate remedial measures including technical controls, methane gas alarms, buffering and rehabilitation, to the satisfaction of the City and all other appropriate approval authorities, to prevent any adverse environmental effects originating from the old waste disposal site and ensure that the area can be safely developed for the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**.

10.4.6 For the purposes of this Section of the Official Plan, areas falling within the Abandoned Landfill Sites delineation as shown on **Schedule 4-5 - Community Health and Safety: Abandoned Landfill Sites**, as well as the impact areas shown in Appendices IV-B, IV-C and IV-D of this Plan, are to be designated site plan control areas pursuant to the Planning Act.

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10.4.7 The boundaries of the impact areas shown in Appendices IV-B, IV-C, and IV-D of this Plan are considered to be approximate, and will be revised as new information becomes available, without amendment to this Plan.



## **10.5 Noise and Vibration Control**

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July 14/00  
OPA 143  
July 4/08

### **10.5.1 General**

- 10.5.1.1 Noise and vibration generated by road and rail traffic may affect residential development within the City and therefore the City may require the submission of noise and vibration analyses in order to assess potential impacts on residential development.

### **10.5.2 Road Noise Control**

- 10.5.2.1 Where new residential development is proposed for lands within 500 metres of a provincial highway, or adjacent to a Minor Arterial or a Major Arterial Road, the City will require a noise analysis to be submitted in conjunction with an application for plan of subdivision, plan of condominium, or amendment to the Zoning Bylaw (for large-scale developments).
- Min. Mod. #13  
Nov. 4/87
- OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- OPA #160  
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- OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08
- 10.5.2.2 The Noise Analysis report will contain an assessment of existing and anticipated noise levels for both outdoor and indoor noise sensitive locations during both daytime and nighttime hours to which the residential development will be subject before and after any proposed noise control measures are installed in accordance with Provincial sound level criteria. The report should be based on recognized noise measurement, prediction and calculation techniques.
- Min. Mod. #14  
Nov. 4/87
- 10.5.2.3 Development which contains a residential component such as dwellings, bedrooms, sleeping quarters, living rooms or reading rooms, and which may be subject to high levels of road noise will only be permitted if it includes structural features that reduce interior noise levels.
- 10.5.2.4 Any necessary noise control measures shall be specified in the appropriate agreements pursuant to the Planning Act.
- Min. Mod. #16  
Nov. 4/87
- 10.5.2.5 The co-operation of Provincial agencies will be sought in providing adequate noise protection from existing and proposed Provincial Highways.
- Min. Mod. #15  
Nov. 4/87



### **10.5.3 Rail Noise and Vibration Control**

- 10.5.3.1 The City may require a noise and/or vibration analysis to be submitted where residential development is proposed adjacent to active rail lines.
- 10.5.3.2 The Noise and Vibration Analysis report will contain an assessment of existing and anticipated noise levels and vibration levels during both daytime and nighttime hours to which the residential development will be subject before and after any proposed control measures are installed, based on recognized noise and vibration measures and prediction techniques.
- 10.5.3.3 Development which contains outdoor passive recreation areas and/or a residential component such as dwellings, bedrooms, sleeping quarters, living rooms or reading rooms, and which may be subject to high levels of rail noise, vibration and/or deleterious air qualities will only be permitted if it includes structural features that reduce interior noise vibration and odour levels.
- 10.5.3.4 The Noise and, where required, Vibration Analysis report described in Section 10.5.3.2 may be circulated to the appropriate railway company and all other appropriate approval authorities for comments with regard to the proposed noise, vibration and air quality attenuation measures.

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**10.6      Buffering**OPA #84  
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July 4/08

- 10.6.1      Certain areas within the City will require buffering or screening in order to minimize potential conflicts between land uses which may detract from the amenity and functioning of other adjacent land uses.
- 10.6.2      Development will be carefully controlled in all land use designations which are subject to Buffering policies.
- 10.6.3      Land uses which are obnoxious due to noise, dust, odour or visual characteristics shall generally not be located where their effects will have an adverse impact upon Residential Areas, Major Institutional Areas or other incompatible uses.
- 10.6.4      Buffering or screening will be required where a Residential Area designation adjoins:
- .1      an Industrial Area;
  - .2      a Commercial Area;
  - .3      a Major Institutional Area;
  - .4      any land use characterized by heavy pedestrian or automobile traffic, truck transportation, noise, fumes or other factors affecting the residential amenity; or
  - .5      railways.
- 10.6.5      Buffering requirements to be provided when the development proceeds may include the following:
- .1      prohibition of outside storage;
  - .2      control of the location of outdoor parking and loading areas;
  - .3      control of the location of garbage collection/storage facilities;
  - .4      regulation of lighting and signs so that they are averted or shielded from the residential uses;
  - .5      provision of adequate screening such as solid or perforated walls, trellises or other appropriate structures;
  - .6      provision of adequate landscaping such as trees, bushes, grassed areas and berming; or
  - .7      separation of uses by additional distances between them.



10.6.6 Buffering requirements shall be implemented through the provision of the Zoning Bylaw and/or site plan approval.

10.6.7 Where industrial and sensitive land uses are proposed in proximity to one another and require official plan and/or zoning amendment, appropriate studies shall be completed to the satisfaction of the City and in accordance with Ministry of Environment Guidelines demonstrating that the proposed development will have no adverse affects on existing industrial facilities or sensitive land uses.

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**10.7 Energy Conservation**OPA #84  
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- 10.7.1 The practical application of innovative ideas relating to energy conservation through site planning, building design, renewable energy sources, alternative energy sources, and efficient equipment and operations will be encouraged throughout the municipality.
- 10.7.2 Development will be encouraged which conserves energy through appropriate community planning and design principles, a compact and contiguous urban form, and infilling and redevelopment within existing developed areas.
- 10.7.3 Mixed used developments, where complementary land uses would be concentrated as a means of conserving energy, will be encouraged.
- 10.7.4 Innovative zoning and subdivision designs that incorporate energy conserving principles will be encouraged.
- 10.7.5 Protection of solar access in all development will be encouraged to locate in areas with access to public transit.
- 10.7.6 High density residential development will be encouraged to locate in areas with access to public transit.
- 10.7.7 Council will encourage public transit use, a pedestrian and bicycle traffic as energy conserving modes of transportation. New development will be encouraged to incorporate an integrated walkway and bicycle path system, where it is safe and secure to do so, interconnecting residential neighbourhoods, commercial areas, schools, public buildings, and major recreation facilities.
- 10.7.8 Landscaping for winter wind protection and summer solar protection will be encouraged by Council and tree planting programs in rights-of-way and on private property which create more temperate microclimates will be encouraged.



**11. TRANSPORTATION**OPA #84  
July 14/00**11.1 General**

- 11.1.1 Council shall encourage the development of transportation facilities in accordance with the road and rail facilities shown on **Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan**, based on the City's Transportation Master Plan. The City of Brantford has the following transportation facilities:

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- .1 Provincial Highway
- .2 Major Arterial Roads;
- .3 Minor Arterial Roads;
- .4 Major Collector Roads;
- .5 Minor Collector Roads;
- .6 Local Roads;
- .7 Rail;
- .8 Bikeways and Trails;
- .9 Sidewalks and;
- .10 Long-Term Corridor Protection.

OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08**11.2 Provincial Highway**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

- 11.2.1 There are two provincial highways located within the City - Highway 403 and Highway 24. Development which falls within the Ministry of Transportation's permit control area is subject to the requirements of the Ministry of Transportation.
- 11.2.2 New entrances or the upgrading of entrances within the Ministry of Transportation's permit control area of a provincial highway shall be subject to the approval of the Ministry of Transportation. This may increase the access and traffic signal spacing requirements outlined in Section 11.3 for Major Arterial, Minor Arterial, Major Collector, Minor Collector and Local Roads which intersect with a provincial highway.
- 11.2.3 The City and the Ministry of Transportation will work cooperatively with respect to the planning of land development and associated access connections within the Ministry of Transportation's permit control area adjacent to all provincial highways and interchanges within the City, to protect the future capacity and operation of both the provincial highway network and the City's transportation facilities.

**11.3 Roads**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #49  
June 1/95

- 11.3.1 This Official Plan recognizes that automobiles will continue to play a dominant role within the overall transportation system of the City. Although, where possible and desirable, provision for alternative modes of transportation will be considered.



11.3.2	For the purposes of this Official Plan, the following functional classification of roads is established:	OPA #59 Nov. 19/97 OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 Provincial Highway</li> <li>.2 Major Arterial Roads;</li> <li>.3 Minor Arterial Roads;</li> <li>.4 Major Collector Roads;</li> <li>.5 Minor Collector Roads; and</li> <li>.6 Local Roads.</li> </ul>	
11.3.3	The functional classifications of roads within the City are illustrated on <b><u>Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan</u></b> , with the exception of Local Roads. Incorporation of new roads (excluding Local Roads), or the reclassification of existing roads shall require an amendment to this Official Plan. A list of road widenings is indicated on <b><u>Schedule 5-2 - Transportation: Road Widenings</u></b> .	OPA #84 July 14/00
11.3.4	Deleted	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08  OPA #59 Nov. 19/97  OPA #84 July 14/00  OPA #84 July 14/00
11.3.5	Deleted	OPA #59 Nov. 19/97
11.3.6	The following policies shall apply to Major Arterial Roads:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 A Major Arterial Road is designed to carry large volumes of intra-municipal and inter-regional traffic through the City in association with other types of roads;</li> <li>.2 The basic minimum right-of-way widths for Major Arterial Roads shall range from 30 to 40 metres, with 35 metres being the preferred minimum;</li> <li>.3 The right-of-way widths of Major Arterial Roads at major intersections should include left-turn lanes. Right turn lanes may also be required to be provided at major intersections;</li> <li>.4 Traffic signals will be well spaced and at least 300 metres apart;</li> <li>.5 Major Arterial Roads will generally serve major commercial and industrial areas and driveway access will be controlled; and</li> <li>.6 Residential development shall have controlled access onto Major</li> </ul>	OPA #59 Nov. 19/97      OPA #125 Dec. 3/08 OPA #170 Sept. 12/11  OPA #125 Dec. 3/08



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Arterial Roads. Creative alternatives along new major arterials that support urban design objectives will be encouraged.

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- .7 New Major Arterial Roads should generally be organized in a grid pattern with minor arterials and collector roads to provide direct routing for buses and pedestrians; and  
OPA #125  
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OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .8 Where a Major Arterial Road has existing driveways at a density of 25 entrances per kilometre or greater, a centre left turn lane may be required to be provided.  
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OPA #170  
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#### 11.3.7 The following policies shall apply to Minor Arterial Roads:

- .1 A Minor Arterial Road is designed to carry moderate volumes of intra-municipal and inter-regional traffic through the City in association with other types of roads;  
OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- .2 The basic minimum right-of-way widths for Minor Arterial Roads shall range from 26 to 30 metres;
- .3 Traffic signals will be well spaced, but may be more closely spaced than on Major Arterial Roads if circumstances warrant;
- .4 Minor Arterial Roads will generally serve residential, commercial and industrial areas and driveway access will be permitted but controlled;  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .5 New residential development shall have controlled access onto Minor Arterial Roads. Creative alternatives along new major arterials that support urban design objectives will be encouraged;  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .6 On-street parking may be permitted in some cases, where roadway width is not required to serve through capacity demands; and  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .7 New Minor Arterial roads should generally be organized in a grid pattern with collector roads to provide direct routing for buses and pedestrians.  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

#### 11.3.8 The following policies shall apply to Major Collector Roads:

- .1 A Major Collector Road is designed to carry moderate volumes of traffic within and through residential areas and connecting these areas to Minor Arterial Roads, Major Arterial Roads and Provincial Highways;  
OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- .2 The basic minimum right-of-way widths for Major Collector Roads shall range from 24 to 26 metres, with 26 metres being the preferred width. Where existing Major Collector Roads of less than this standard presently exist, and widening to achieve this standard may not be practical, a lesser right-of-way may be accepted by the City, where it is demonstrated that this preferred minimum is not attainable;  
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OPA #170  
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- .3 Traffic signals may be placed at intersections with higher classification roads, intersections with other minor collector roads will typically be stop controlled; OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .4 Major Collector Roads primarily serve residential areas but may also serve commercial and industrial areas;
- .5 On-street parking may be provided in some cases;
- .6 New Major collector roads should generally be organized in a grid pattern to provide direct routing for buses and pedestrians; and OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .7 Access is generally permitted for any property having direct frontage onto a major collector road, although entrance location and spacing may be controlled within a corridor. OPA #125  
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OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

11.3.9 The following policies shall apply to Minor Collector Roads

- .1 A Minor Collector Road is designed to carry low to moderate volumes of traffic within residential areas; OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- .2 The basic minimum right-of-way width for Minor Collector Roads shall be 20 metres;
- .3 Traffic control at intersections is generally by stop-signs;
- .4 Minor collector roads generally serve residential areas and have fronting residential properties; and
- .5 On-street parking is permitted in most cases.
- .6 Minor collector roads should generally be organized in a grid pattern to provide direct routing for buses and pedestrians; and OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- .7 Access is generally permitted for any property having direct frontage onto a minor collector road. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
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11.3.10 The following policies shall apply to Local Roads:

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- .1 A Local Road is designed to carry low volumes of traffic from abutting properties to Minor Collector, Major Collector and Minor Arterial Roads;
- .2 The basic minimum right-of-way width for Local Roads shall be 20 metres. Although a 20-metre right-of-way width is the preferred minimum, it is recognized that Local Roads of less than this standard presently exist and widenings to achieve this standard may not be practical, and a lesser right-of-way width may be accepted by the City where it is demonstrated that the foregoing standard is not attainable;



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- .3 Additional right-of-way widths may be required at intersections;
- .4 Direct access to Local Roads from abutting properties shall be permitted;
- .5 Intersections of Local Roads with Provincial Highways and Major Arterial Roads shall be discouraged in the design of new development;
- .6 Local Roads shall be designed to discourage through traffic and provide direct connections to minor arterial and collector roads; and
- .7 Design standards for Local Roads shall be established by the City.

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OPA #170  
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- 11.3.11 Long-Term Corridor Protection areas shall be preserved so that the corridors will be available to meet the long-term transportation demands of the City. When the Long Term Protection Corridors are constructed and open to traffic they may be considered as either Major Arterial or Minor Arterial Roads without amendment to this Official Plan.

OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97



**11.4 Public Transit**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

- 11.4.1 Council shall encourage the provision of accessible public transit facilities adequate to meet the needs of City residents taking into consideration matters of economics and convenience. OPA #49  
June 1/95  
OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- 11.4.2 Subdivision design shall facilitate movements of the public transit system through such means as adequate road rights-of-way, street patterns, pedestrian walkways, bus bays, bus shelters, and exclusive bus lanes, where warranted.
- 11.4.3 Council, when considering options for use in the transportation network, shall ensure that such options are realistic from the perspective of those who use, or will use, the network and the Municipality's ability to implement them. OPA #49  
June 1/95
- 11.4.4 Transit-supportive design features are required within all new development or redevelopment, such as incorporating transit stops in all new subdivisions and other trip generators, locating bus stops near major retail and business entrances, locating buildings closer to street, providing a grid pattern of streets. Development and redevelopment shall also be subject to policies in Section 14 of this Plan. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- 11.4.5 Council shall ensure public participation in transit planning through the Transit Liaison Committee, which is comprised of transit users and community stakeholders and meet monthly to discuss transit issues. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- 11.4.6 Development of satellite transit terminals will be encouraged in the vicinity of major malls or main community facilities. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- 11.4.7 Development of a new Brantford Downtown Transit Terminal will be encouraged. The location of the terminal should provide a focal point for transit in the downtown and be integrated into the downtown core area, such that major employers or destinations are within walking distance of the terminal. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- 11.4.8 Council will work in cooperation with the province and adjacent municipalities to ensure that inter-regional transit network connections are developed in a manner that benefits Brantford residents and makes Brantford more attractive as an employment destination. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
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**11.5 Rail**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

- 11.5.1 Council shall encourage the development of rail facilities in accordance with the facilities shown on **Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan.** OPA #84  
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- 11.5.2 Conflicts between rail facilities and adjacent land uses will be minimized, wherever possible.



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- 11.5.3 Coordination of the City's rail and road system shall be encouraged in order to provide for the efficient functioning of both transportation systems.
- 11.5.4 Council shall cooperate with the appropriate agencies and rail companies with respect to the location, planning, design, construction and safety of new rail facilities.
- 11.5.5 Where rail facilities are to be relocated or abandoned, Council shall ensure that the lands are redeveloped for uses appropriate to the City's overall land use and transportation plans. Where feasible, the City shall endeavour to acquire abandoned rail lines. OPA #49  
June 1/95
- 11.5.6 Deleted OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- 11.5.7 Council shall encourage the retention of the rail bridges across the Grand River once the rail lines have been abandoned and encourage their use as open space linkages, and as connections across the Grand River in the Bikeways and Trails Network. OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97
- 11.5.8 Council shall cooperate with the appropriate agencies and rail companies to provide grade-separated rail crossings, wherever possible.
- 11.5.9 The provision of rail facilities to industrial areas requiring these facilities shall be permitted wherever such facilities do not create an impact on any residential areas.

## **11.6** **Parking**

- OPA #125  
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Sept. 12/11
- 11.6.1 Parking standards, including facilities for disabled persons, and reduced standards for senior citizens housing, will be established for all land uses in the implementing Zoning Bylaw and adequate off-street parking shall be provided for new development or redevelopment in accordance with these standards.
- 11.6.2 On-street parking facilities shall only be permitted where they do not interfere with traffic flows or create traffic hazards.
- 11.6.3 Parking areas shall have adequate buffering in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.6 of this Official Plan. OPA #84  
July 14/00  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11
- 11.6.4 Where the City provides centralized off-street parking facilities within the Core Commercial Area designation, Council shall enact Bylaws for the following purposes:
- .1 To establish bylaws which reduce on-site parking requirements in accordance with Section 7.3.2.4 of this Official Plan; and/or
  - .2 to establish cash-in-lieu of parking bylaws, pursuant to the Planning Act; and/or



- .3 to establish benefitting assessment areas; pursuant to the Municipal Act.

11.6.5 Provision of cash-in-lieu of parking should be encouraged within the Core Commercial Area, subject to the following:

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- .1 The subject site is within 400 m of an existing or planned off-site parking facility that has capacity to accommodate projected parking demands;
- .2 Sufficient parking and loading areas for delivery/service vehicles are provided on site or in established on street loading zones;
- .3 The development of the subject site without the required on-site parking facilities is compatible with adjacent existing and proposed land uses with respect to built form or intensity of utilization of the site;
- .4 The applicant enters into a financial agreement with respect to the cash in lieu of parking contributions;
- .5 Cash-in-lieu of on-site parking requirements will only be considered for multiple family residential developments within the Core Commercial Area if the developer can negotiate and secure sufficient off-site parking to accommodate the needs of the development; and
- .6 Use funds raised from "Cash-In-Lieu" program to invest in construction of municipal off street parking lots.

11.6.6 Develop a downtown parking plan to provide new municipal parking lots at strategic locations in the downtown to maximize accessibility to employment generators, transit routes / stops / terminals, and the University Campus area.

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11.6.7 Recognize the needs of the tourism industry by providing for visitor parking in the vicinity of key downtown attractions, and develop a standby parking area or staging area for tour buses in the vicinity of the Sanderson Centre.

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11.6.8 Development of parking lots and structures in the downtown shall be designed to enhance the public/pedestrian realm and balance aesthetics and pedestrian/auto accessibility in accordance with Section 14 of this Plan.

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## **11.7 Bikeways and Trails Network**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11

11.7.1 Council shall encourage the development of a comprehensive network of bikeways and trails throughout the City to connect residential, institutional, commercial and industrial areas in accordance with the facilities shown on **Schedule 5-3 – Transportation: Bikeways and**

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June 1/95  
OPA #125  
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**Trails Network Plan.**

11.7.2	Where feasible, a system of pedestrian walkways, bicycle paths and/or mobility aid paths will link existing and proposed activity centres throughout the City. The linked system may be provided in parklands and open space in both new development and redevelopment areas.	OPA #49 June 1/95
11.7.3	Deleted.	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08 OPA #170 Sept. 12/11
11.7.4	Deleted	OPA #49 June 1/95
11.7.5	Deleted	OPA #49 June 1/95
11.7.6	Deleted	OPA #49 June 1/95
11.7.7	Council will encourage the provision of bicycle parking facilities where development generates the demand for such facilities.	
11.7.8	Consideration will be given to providing safe and secure pedestrian, bicycle and mobility aid movements in new development and redevelopment proposals.	OPA #59 Nov. 19/97 OPA #125 Dec. 3/08 OPA #170 Sept. 12/11 OPA #59 Nov. 19/97
11.7.9	Council may establish a Pedestrian and Bicycling Advisory Committee to carry out the following activities related to the establishment of a bikeways and trails network: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 advise Council and Committees of council on cycling and pedestrian issues, projects, policies and programs;</li> <li>.2 monitor the implementation of the Bikeways and Trails Network;</li> <li>.3 participate in cycling and walking initiatives and programs; and</li> <li>.4 periodically report to Council regarding its activities.</li> </ul>	
11.7.10	Council will encourage other agencies with jurisdiction over routes shown on the Bikeways and Trails Network Plan to implement these routes through the review of planning documents, development proposals, capital works programs and other local initiatives.	OPA #59 Nov. 19/97
11.7.11	Council will work in cooperation with adjacent municipalities to ensure that inter-regional connections for pedestrians and cyclists are provided.	OPA #59 Nov. 19/97
11.7.12	The City shall establish new cycling lanes, trails, and/or sidewalk (where recommended) in conjunction with new transportation construction and reconstruction projects, unless significant justification is provided otherwise.	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08 OPA #170 Sept. 12/11



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| 11.7.13 | For development of secondary plan areas, a Master Cycling and Walking Plan for the area shall be developed to identify cycling and walking infrastructure and amenity requirements, define trail and roadway right-of-ways, and provide connections to existing trail network elements. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11                          |
| 11.7.14 | Council will provide an annual report on the status of the Bikeways and Trails Network Plan, including links completed each year.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11                          |
| 11.7.15 | Council will consider the need for updates to the Bikeways and Trails Network Plan every five years.  | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97<br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08<br>OPA #170<br>Sept. 12/11 |



**11.8 Truck Routes**OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08OPA #84  
July 14/00

11.8.1 The City shall maintain a truck route network designed to regulate the movement of commercial vehicles designed for the transportation of cargo, and having more than four tires, within the City. Council shall consider the following when establishing a truck route network or amendments thereto:

- .1 The impact of the truck route on abutting lands;
- .2 Service to major truck traffic generators;
- .3 The provision of network continuity via inter-connecting links;
- .4 The structural capacity and geometric design of the roadway to accommodate truck weights and dimensions;
- .5 Adequate clearance from overhead structures and obstructions;
- .6 Traffic lanes are of an adequate width;
- .7 Steep grades, in excess of 4 per cent, are avoided, where practical; and
- .8 The roadway has adequate capacity to accommodate the truck traffic.

11.8.2 Truck routes and truck restrictions shall be established by Bylaw and amended from time to time to regulate truck movement within the City.

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OPA #170  
Sept. 12/11



**11.9 Pedestrian Movement**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

- 11.9.1 Major arterial roads in the City that provide direct access to properties shall have walking facilities on both sides of the road. This can be achieved through a sidewalk on each side, or a sidewalk on one side with a multi-use trail on the other side of the road, or multi-use trails on both sides of the road.
- 11.9.2 Major arterial roads that have limited or controlled access should provide walking facilities (sidewalk or multi-use trail) along at least one side of the road.
- 11.9.3 Develop a pedestrian sidewalk network that maintains a maximum walking distance of 400 metres to all transit stops, for areas served by fixed route transit.
- 11.9.4 Council will prepare a detailed Sidewalk Master Plan and annual sidewalk construction program to retrofit existing arterial and collector roads with sidewalks and should develop an implementation program that prioritizes new sidewalk construction for roadways with:
- .1 Existing schools or community centres;
  - .2 Existing observed walking demand;
  - .3 Existing/planned transit routes; and
  - .4 In the downtown core area.
- 11.9.5 All new sidewalks shall be designed to be barrier free.
- 11.9.6 Existing sidewalks in the downtown area should be retrofit to ensure full accessibility, and key pedestrian crossing locations should feature audible pedestrian crossing devices.



**11.10      Transportation Demand Management**OPA #125  
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- 11.10.1      Council shall promote sustainable transportation choices through communications and outreach methods including the City's web site, production of cycling route maps, cycling skills training and competitions, media relations, and special events that raise the profile of sustainable transportation choices and encourage trial by individuals.
- 11.10.2      Consider Transportation Demand Management in municipal transportation plans and studies (i.e. Municipal Class EA projects and Neighbourhood Traffic Management Plans) including the degree to which it can help achieve key objectives, and required actions.
- 11.10.3      Encourage and assist community groups, interest groups, and non-governmental organizations in the development of Transportation Demand Management programs.



**11.11 Transportation Master Plan Monitoring and Review**OPA #125  
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11.11.1 The City shall maintain a Transportation Master Plan, incorporating a traffic demand forecast model, to provide recommendations on the management of future travel demand, the pedestrian system, the bikeway system, the transit system, the rail system and the roadway network. The Master Plan may also contain recommendations on traffic calming, parking management, truck routing, and community transportation, monitoring and implementation, and at key screen lines. The Transportation Master Plan will be monitored on an annual basis, taking into consideration the following:

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- .1 the results of the annual traffic count program at selected key intersections and routes;
- .2 new trends and technologies in traffic operations and management;
- .3 private sector initiatives in implementing traffic demand management measures;
- .4 the status and progress towards achieving transportation system performance targets;
- .5 the status of transportation related provincial initiatives, policies and funding programs;
- .6 population growth and land use changes within the community; and
- .7 the need to re-assess, amend or update components of the Transportation Master Plan.

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11.11.3 The City will establish and maintain guidelines for the preparation of transportation impact studies to be carried out to assess the impact on the Transportation Master Plan, the road system and adjacent land uses from proposed developments and land use changes that will result in a significant increase in traffic.

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11.11.4 When feasible the Transportation Master Plan shall be reviewed in conjunction with the ten year review of the Official Plan.

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| 11.11.5 | The City will participate in the Transportation Tomorrow Survey (TTS), undertaken every five years, to provide an update of transportation patterns in the City and surrounding area and to ensure that up to date information is available to assess changing transportation trends in the community.                                     | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 11.11.6 | The Director of Transportation Services will provide a Transportation Perspective report to Council every 5 years, (scheduled for 6 months following the release of published TTS data) to advise Council on recent trends with respect to transportation patterns within the City, and the need to update the Transportation Master Plan. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |



**12. SERVICING**OPA #84  
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- 12.1.1 Services, including sanitary sewage disposal, water supply, storm water management, hydro and other facilities, shall be provided to all development commensurate to its requirements and the City's standards for servicing. The City shall ensure that the above noted municipal services are extended to development in an orderly and efficient fashion. OPA #49  
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- 12.1.2 Public servicing standards may be adopted by the City, and all services shall be required to comply with these standards, as amended from time to time.
- 12.1.3 The provisions of the Municipal Act may be utilized to provide services within developed areas. OPA #125  
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- 12.1.4 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Official Plan, public services and utilities, including water supply and storage facilities, pumping stations, local telephone exchanges, sanitary and storm sewers, and local hydro, cable, gas and oil distribution lines may be permitted within any land use designation on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**.
- 12.1.5 It is the policy of the City to: OPA #125  
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- .1 ensure that adequate utility networks are, or will be, established to serve the anticipated development and that these networks can be phased in a manner that is cost-effective and efficient;
  - .2 promote all utilities, including telecommunications, to be planned for and installed on a coordinated and integrated basis in order to be more efficient, cost effective and minimize disruption;
  - .3 ensure that all above-ground utility infrastructure is located and designed to be compatible with its environment;
  - .4 support the coordinated planning and installation of utilities in initial common trenches, wherever possible, to avoid unnecessary over-digging and disruption of municipal rights of way;
  - .5 plan for communications/telecommunications infrastructure in all stages of planning for growth, including Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendments, Draft Plans of Subdivision and Site Plan Approvals; and
  - .6 confirm that utility and telecommunication providers are all able to provide services to support the proposed development and that appropriate locations for large utility equipment and utility cluster sites have been determined.



- 12.1.6 As a basis for planning for new development, particularly intensification, the City will place a priority on the preparation or updating of Master Servicing Plans for Water, Wastewater, and Storm Drainage Systems

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## **12.2 Sanitary Sewage Disposal**

- 12.2.1 All development shall be provided with municipal sanitary sewage disposal facilities, unless otherwise exempted by this Official Plan.

- 12.2.2 Sanitary sewage disposal facilities shall be designed, constructed and maintained to:

- .1 provide adequate service to the proposed development;
- .2 accommodate full development of the drainage area;
- .3 utilize gravity flow wherever possible, in order to avoid the need for pumping stations;
- .4 protect the natural characteristics of the landscapes in which they are located; and
- .5 satisfy the servicing standards of the City.

- 12.2.3 The water pollution control plant, which provides sanitary sewage treatment and disposal to the City, will service the development within the planning period, and may require expansion to accommodate full development of the municipality.

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- 12.2.4 The City will monitor the quality and quantity of industrial sewage effluent entering the municipal sanitary sewage system, in order to control its impact on the operation or capacity of the Water Pollution Control Plant and on the receiving watercourse.

## **12.3 Water Supply**

- 12.3.1 All development shall be provided with municipal water supply facilities, unless otherwise exempted by this Official Plan.

- 12.3.2 Water and treatment supply facilities shall be designed, constructed and maintained to:

- .1 provide adequate service to the proposed development;
- .2 accommodate full development of the service area; and

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- .3 satisfy the servicing standards of the Corporation of the City of Brantford.

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12.3.3 Deleted.

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## **12.4 Storm Water Management**

12.4.1 Development shall be provided with appropriate storm water management facilities as approved by the City and, where necessary, the Grand River Conservation Authority.

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12.4.2 Storm water drainage facilities shall be designed and constructed so as to protect receiving watercourses and adjacent land uses from any potential adverse impacts of storm water runoff.

12.4.3 Storm water management facilities shall maintain natural stream geometry wherever possible and control the quantity and quality of storm water runoff entering the receiving watercourses, including the control of erosion and sedimentation during and after construction.

12.4.4 Storm water management facilities shall minimize surface ponding and flooding inconveniences throughout the City.

12.4.5 The City may prepare a comprehensive Master Drainage Plan for specific watershed or development areas within the municipality.

12.4.6 Where a Master Drainage Plan required under Section 12.4.5 has not yet been prepared for an area of the City proposed for development, the applicant(s) may prepare the Master Drainage Plan prior to final approval of the development subject to the approval of the City and, where necessary, the Grand River Conservation Authority. The City may not require the applicant to prepare the Master Drainage Plan where it considers the proposed development to be minor in nature.

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12.4.7 Master Drainage Plans shall generally address the following:

- .1 the facilities required, including their size, location, and capacity, for controlling storm water runoff, including:
  - i) storm sewers and/or channels;
  - ii) culverts;
  - iii) detention or retention ponds;
  - iv) upstream storm water diversions; and
  - v) the use of rooftop, parking lot, or parks and open spaces as temporary detention areas;
- .2 the measures necessary to control erosion, sedimentation and stream bank stability during and after construction;
- .3 the storm sewer and outfalls to the receiving watercourses; and



.4 the environmental and economic impacts of the storm water management facilities.

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| 12.4.8  | Master Drainage Plans shall be based on engineering and hydrologic models acceptable to the City and, where necessary, the Grand River Conservation Authority.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00                              |
| 12.4.9  | The size of storm water management facilities shall be based on the ultimate development pattern within the watershed or development area.  |  |
| 12.4.10 | All storm water management facilities shall be designed to the satisfaction of the City and, where necessary, the Grand River Conservation Authority and the current guidelines of the Ministry of Environment. | OPA #84<br>July 14/00<br><br>OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |



**12.5 Utilities and Telecommunications Infrastructure**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08**12.5.1 Utilities shall be:**

- .1 installed where possible, underground and within public road allowances or within appropriate easements, provided that such easements do not detract from the function, amenity, or safety of adjacent land uses;
- .2 encouraged, wherever possible, to coordinate and locate within an initial common trench to avoid unnecessary over digging and disruption of municipal rights of way;
- .3 clustered or grouped where possible to minimize visual impact; and
- .4 encouraged to consider innovative methods of containing utility services that cannot be accommodated in the municipal road allowance or within streetscape features such as gateways, lamp posts, transit shelters, etc.

12.5.2 Prior to approval of development, all interested utilities and telecommunication providers are to confirm if services can be provided to support the proposed development; and shall determine appropriate locations for large utility equipment and utility cluster sites.

12.5.3 Lands required to be used for large utility structures shall be shown as a block(s) on a draft plan of subdivision and the location shall be confirmed as a condition of draft plan approval or site plan approval, to the satisfaction of the utility provider and the City.



## **12.6 Gas and Oil Pipelines**

- 12.6.1 Gas and oil distribution pipelines will be encouraged to locate within road rights-of-way.
- 12.6.2 Gas and oil distribution pipelines will be encouraged to locate in such a manner as not to impact on the function, amenity or safety of adjacent land uses.

## **12.7 Solid Waste Management**

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| 12.7.1 | The City shall operate a sanitary landfill site for the disposal of solid waste, and the current landfill site will service expected development within the planning period.  | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br><br>OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 12.7.2 | The sanitary landfill site shall be planned, designed and operated to ensure compatibility with adjacent existing and planned land uses, and to ensure minimal adverse impact on the natural environment.   |   |
| 12.7.3 | Following the completion of the sanitary landfill operations, the site shall be rehabilitated for recreational purposes in accordance with the land use designation on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> and the provisions of Section 7.6 of the Official Plan. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                             |



**13. HOUSING**OPA #84  
July 14/00**13.1 General**

13.1.1 The City shall approve residential development which contributes to the supply of an appropriate range of residential unit types.

13.1.2 In reviewing residential developments, regard shall be had for the provision of housing relative to the housing needs of the City's residents.

13.1.3 The City may, within its financial capabilities, become directly involved in the supply of housing through land acquisition, development and disposal.

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13.1.6 Mobile homes may be considered as an alternative residential development to satisfy the demand for both low and moderately-priced housing and smaller dwelling units for senior citizens and singles households.

13.1.7 In order to provide an adequate amount of residential development and redevelopment lands for projected demographic and housing market requirements the City will:

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- a) Maintain at all times at least a ten year supply of lands that can accommodate residential needs through intensification, redevelopment and designated growth areas.
- b) Maintain at all times at least a three year supply of residential units available through lands suitably zoned to facilitate residential intensification and redevelopment, and land in draft approved and registered plans.

13.1.8 The City shall permit the creation of a self-contained second unit dwelling on lands designated to permit single detached dwellings, semi-detached dwellings, street townhouse dwellings, or accessory structures in accordance with the applicable zoning bylaw regulations and the following provisions:

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- .1 Adequate parking is provided on site for both the principal dwelling and the second unit dwelling;
- .2 Adequate municipal services (sewer and water) are provided to the second unit dwelling, to the satisfaction of the City's Public Works Commission;
- .3 Access to parks, amenities, and transit is readily available;



- .4 Second unit dwellings shall be in compliance with the Building Code and/or Fire Code, and Property Standards Bylaw;
- .5 Second unit dwellings shall not be permitted in the basement of any new or existing residential dwelling units on all lands delineated as 'Special Policy Area 1', 'Special Policy Area 2', and 'Floodway Policy Area' on **Schedule 4-1 Community Health and Safety: Floodplain**;
- .6 Second unit dwellings shall be registered with the Building Department; and
- .7 Applications for second unit dwellings shall be submitted with the required fee in accordance with the City's Fee Schedule Bylaw, as amended.



## **13.2 Affordable Housing**

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| 13.2.1 | The City shall set as its target for the development of affordable rental and homeownership housing, the creation of 180 new residential units each year through either the construction of new units or through the conversion of non-residential space. The target shall be interpreted as 85% affordable rental units and 15% affordable ownership units, of the 180 new residential unit target.   | Min. Mod. #16<br>Dec. 3/08                  |
| 13.2.2 | The City shall encourage the retention and new supply of affordable housing in a variety of designated locations and a variety of dwelling types. The creation of affordable ownership dwelling units shall not be at the expense of affordable rental units, therefore, priority shall be given to the retention and creation of affordable rental units.   | Min. Mod. #17<br>Dec. 3/08                  |
| 13.2.3 | The municipality shall encourage the provision of such amounts and types of housing that are necessary to meet the needs of households unable to find affordable housing through the private market. This housing may be provided by either the public or private sector, may be in conjunction with the senior government programs, and shall include housing for a range of low to moderate income households, including senior citizens, low income families, singles, and those requiring support services.  | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                       |
| 13.2.4 | Condominium conversion of rental housing units shall be discouraged where such conversion will have a significant adverse impact on the supply of rental housing in the City. The assessment of the potential effects of conversion will be based on the overall availability of and vacancy rates for rental units, including those of comparable size, type and rental rate. Conversion of rental units shall only be considered when the vacancy rate has been more than 3% for rental housing units for a minimum of three consecutive years. This policy shall not apply to the conversion of rental units located in lands designated as Core Commercial in the City of Brantford's downtown area. | Min. Mod. #18<br>Min. Mod. #19<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 13.2.5 | Demolition of affordable rental housing units shall not be approved unless an equal number of affordable rental housing units at similar rents are included in a development. Demolition of affordable rental housing units may be permitted in cases where the building is not habitable as deemed by the City's Chief Building Official.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                       |
| 13.2.6 | The City shall undertake an Affordable Housing Strategy, which will be updated every five years upon the availability of relevant census information, to establish a plan to meet the current and future housing needs of all residents.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08                       |



**13.3 Residential Monitoring System**OPA #84  
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13.3.1 The City shall maintain a Residential Monitoring System which will include:

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- .1 an analysis of the City's population growth and structure;
- .2 a review of available residential units within the municipality by type and status within the planning approvals process;
- .3 an examination of special housing requirements, including housing for persons with disabilities, senior citizens, low and moderate income groups, and emergency housing;
- .4 an assessment of annual housing production by residential unit type; and
- .5 an assessment of the extent to which the affordable housing targets of the municipality have been met.

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13.3.2 The Residential Monitoring System will be revised and updated on a regular basis to maintain a current indicator of the City's residential market.

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13.3.3 The Residential Monitoring System may be used to monitor the realization of the population and housing policies of the Official Plan, particularly when preparing an Official Plan review in accordance with the provisions of Section 18 of this Official Plan.

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**14. URBAN DESIGN**OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08**14.1 General**

- 14.1 Intensification within the built up boundary will be subject to urban design criteria which address the following:
- .1 that the development is contextually appropriate to the surrounding uses and neighbourhood;
  - .2 development will support and promote the use of transit;
  - .3 contribute to the creation of a range of housing options for the community;
  - .4 contribute to an attractive, safe and comfortable pedestrian environment that encourages walking;
  - .5 provides universal physical access to all publicly accessible spaces and buildings;
  - .6 provides a gradual transition of scale and density from higher buildings to nearby lower scale neighbourhoods;
  - .7 maintains adequate views and privacy for residents of nearby neighbourhoods;
  - .8 minimizes shadows and uncomfortable wind conditions on neighbouring properties, streets and open spaces;
  - .9 masses new buildings to frame adjacent streets and open spaces in a way that respects and is proportional to the existing or planned street right-of-way;
  - .10 conserves heritage properties;
  - .11 is served by adequate parks, community services, water and sewers and transportation facilities, provides for potential streetscape improvements, and addresses compatibility relative to density and height, massing, scale, and siting of buildings; and
  - .12 minimizes through traffic on local streets.
- 14.2 Urban design will be considered in the public realm as follows:
- .1 Commit the funds necessary to create and maintain high quality public buildings, structures, streetscapes and parks;



- .2 Ensure new development enhances the quality of the public realm;
- .3 Encourage the use of skilled professionals in the design and construction process;
- .4 The natural features of the City, such as the Grand River valley, will be connected to the surrounding City by including physical access from adjacent public spaces and by designing these into a comprehensive open space network;
- .5 Sidewalks and boulevards will be designed to provide safe, attractive, interesting and comfortable spaces for pedestrians; and,
- .6 Public works and private development will maintain, frame, and where possible, create public views to important natural and human made features from other public places.

- 14.3 Council may, from time to time, Council may, from time to time, direct that detailed design guidelines be prepared for specific areas and uses in the City. These design guidelines may be adopted by resolution of Council and may be used to assist in the preparation and review of new development, redevelopment, rehabilitation and renovation proposals, community improvement plans and heritage conservation district plans.

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The City's Urban Design Guidelines will be used to address development in the Urban Growth Centre, Intensification Corridors, and infill development and other intensification proposals in the built boundary identified on **Schedule 1-2 Growth Management Plan.**



## **15. GROWTH MANAGEMENT**

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### **15.1 General**

- 15.1.1 This Section establishes policies to manage growth in the City of Brantford and implement the Province's Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The City of Brantford is within the Greater Golden Horseshoe as defined by the Places to Grow Act and identified in the Growth Plan. The City's Official Plan is to conform to the policies of the Growth Plan and designate lands in accordance with the Plan.
- 15.1.2 This Section establishes policies and delineations as shown on **Schedule 1-2 – Growth Management Plan**, which will be applied in conjunction with the land use policies and designations of this Plan.
- 15.1.3 Growth Management delineations shown on **Schedule 1-2 - Growth Management Plan** include the following:
- .1 Built Boundary
  - .2 Urban Growth Centre
  - .3 Greenfield Areas
  - .4 Intensification Corridor
  - .5 Major Transit Station
- 15.1.4 Development within the various designations shown on **Schedule 1-2 - Growth Management Plan** may be permitted in accordance with the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan** subject to the following general policies.
- 15.1.5 The City shall maintain an adequate supply of employment lands providing for a variety of employment uses.
- 15.1.6 The City may permit the conversion of employment lands within designated employment areas, to non-employment uses, only through a municipal comprehensive review subject to the policies of the Growth Plan, provided that such a review is not required where the employment area is within the City's Urban Growth Centre or within a designated Regeneration Area as that term is used in the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2006. A comprehensive review will be required for the conversion of these lands in accordance with the requirements of the Provincial Policy Statement.

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15.1.7 The City recognizes that the Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal may undertake further updates of the Province's Growth Plan, which may require future amendments to the City's Official Plan.

15.1.8 Proposal to expand the settlement area must address:

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- .1 The requirement for a municipal comprehensive review in accordance with the policies of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2006;
- .2 The policies of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005; and
- .3 The policies of this Official Plan.

## **15.2 Built Boundary**

15.2.1 The Built Boundary, as designated on **Schedule 1-2 – Growth Management Plan**, represents the limit of the developed urban area. All land within the built boundary of the City is referred to as the built-up area.

15.2.2 A significant portion of new growth is to be directed to the built-up area of the City through intensification. The City encourages intensification generally throughout the built up area of the City that is of an appropriate type and scale of development and compatible with surrounding uses. Intensification may include infill, redevelopment of brownfield or greyfield sites, and the expansion or conversion of existing buildings.

15.2.3 It is the intent of this Plan that by the year 2015 and for each year thereafter, that a minimum of 40 percent of all residential development will be within the built up area of the City.

## **15.3 Urban Growth Centre**

15.3.1 The Urban Growth Centre, as designated on **Schedule 1-2 Growth Management Plan**, is the major focus area to accommodate a significant share of the City's population and employment growth. Lands within the southern portion of the Urban Growth Centre will be a particular focus for intensification.

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15.3.2 It is the intent of this Plan that the urban growth centre:

- .1 be a focal area for investment in institutional and region-wide public services, as well as commercial, office, recreational, cultural and entertainment uses; and,
- .2 accommodate and support major transit infrastructure, including the major transit station.



- 15.3.3 It is the intent of this Plan to achieve a minimum gross density target of 150 residents and jobs combined per hectare in the Urban Growth Centre by 2031.

#### **15.4 Greenfield Areas**

- 15.4.1 Greenfield Areas, as designated on **Schedule 1-2 – Growth Management Plan**, include lands outside of the built boundary that are designated for future development.

- 15.4.2 It is the intent of this Plan to achieve a minimum gross density target of 50 residents and jobs combined per hectare in the Greenfield Areas. The density target is measured over the entire designated Greenfield Areas, excluding natural heritage features identified in provincial plans and this Plan that prohibit development: wetlands, woodlands, valley lands, areas of natural and scientific interest, habitat of endangered and threatened species, wildlife habitat, and fish habitat

- 15.4.3 New development in Greenfield Areas will be designed in a manner that:

- .1 creates complete communities providing convenient access to an appropriate mix of jobs, a full range of housing choices, including affordable housing, schools, retail, open space and community infrastructure for the residents;
- .2 creates street configurations, densities and urban form that support walking, cycling and early integration of transit;
- .3 provides a mix of land uses and densities that support transit; and,
- .4 creates high quality public open spaces that support opportunities for transit, walking and cycling.

- 15.4.4 The City shall endeavor to monitor and phase development in Greenfield Areas to achieve intensification and density targets identified in this Plan and the Province's Growth Plan. In particular, the City will:

- .1 work with the proponent to encourage an increase in the density of development to assist in meeting the density targets;
- .2 work with the proponents to encourage the development of blocks of medium and high density housing; and
- .3 encourage a broader mix and higher density of housing and the addition of compatible employment uses in remaining greenfield residential areas

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## **15.5 Intensification Corridor**

15.5.1 Intensification Corridor areas, as designated on **Schedule 1-2 Growth Management Plan**, are located along major roads and arterials that have the potential to provide a focus for increased residential and employment densities and mixed use development and redevelopment. It is recognized, however, that intensification in these areas will likely be limited in the short and mid-term through to 2031.

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15.5.2 These areas are encouraged to develop at densities and in a form that is supportive of transit and compatible with surrounding land uses. In particular, new mixed use, residential or institutional development is encouraged. New buildings in Intensification Corridors shall:

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- .1 generally not exceed the height permitted in the Zoning Bylaw, taller buildings may be considered through an amendment to the Zoning Bylaw subject to the provisions of additional setbacks and the submission of an urban design study to document how the development is proposed to address the City's Urban Design Guidelines and can be integrated with the existing development, particularly adjacent low and medium density residential areas, and the adjacent streetscape;
- .2 directly address the existing or proposed new public or private streets, with buildings close to the street edge and pedestrian entrances and other amenities fronting the sidewalk, to create an attractive streetscape environment for pedestrians;
- .3 additional setbacks from the streetline may be permitted to allow for enhanced landscaping and open space in front of buildings, and for the provision of outdoor cafés and other amenities;
- .4 parking shall be encouraged to be located underground, where appropriate, in parking structures or in the interior blocks and will be limited along street frontages wherever possible; and
- .5 pedestrian related uses will be encouraged at grade in new development.



**15.6      Regeneration Areas**

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- 15.6.1      Regeneration Areas include lands which are vacant and/or underutilized, and which are in need of renewed investment, redevelopment and/or reuse in order to achieve their maximum potential, to foster growth and physical change, and to bring new life to the area. Regeneration Areas may include brownfield or greyfield sites or portions of the City's Urban Growth Centre (downtown area).
- 15.6.2      The Regeneration Area designation is not a land use designation. Permitted uses and development standards associated with the underlying land use designation as shown on **Schedule 1-1 – Land Use Plan**, shall continue to apply to lands within a Regeneration Area until such time as an Official Plan Amendment amending the land use designation has come into force.
- 15.6.3      The Regeneration Areas differ in terms of their existing uses, built form, character of adjacent areas and market opportunities for growth and revitalization. Accordingly, each Regeneration Area will require a unique strategy for redevelopment to account for its particular circumstances and potential. Examples of redevelopment strategies may include site specific amendments to this Plan, the Zoning Bylaw, and to any other bylaw the City may deem appropriate in order to facilitate the redevelopment or reuse of the site.
- 15.6.4      The following will be considered when assessing an application to identify lands as a Regeneration Area:
1. The lands are currently underutilized and development or redevelopment is constrained by current site conditions;
  2. The lands are abutting the Highway 403 corridor or are located within or abutting the Urban Growth Centre Area or the City's Community Improvement Policy Area, as defined in the City's Official Plan;
  3. The lands already have access to municipal services or may cost-effectively be connected to municipal services, as determined by the City's Engineering Department;
  4. The lands have the potential for redevelopment that could increase municipal tax assessment for the site and area in which it is located;
  5. The lands have potential for economic benefit to the surrounding area, and to the City as a whole, with a focus on job creation, infrastructure investment, and attraction of new or other businesses to the area;
  6. The lands have potential to advance other goals and objectives identified by the City; and



7. The lands require flexibility in permitted land uses so as to stimulate one or more of the following:
  - .1 The creation of new employment opportunities (in addition to employment generated during the development of the site);
  - .2 Remediation and re-use of contaminated and/or currently obsolete lands;
  - .3 The restoration or re-use of existing buildings, particularly heritage buildings, that are economically adaptable for residential, commercial, institutional or other re-use opportunities;
  - .4 The restoration of natural heritage features or resources, including improvement to or addition of parks, trails, or the open space network; and
  - .5 The rejuvenation of under-utilized land through new development.

15.6.5 In addition to the consideration of items outlined in 15.6.4, Regeneration Areas shall be subject to an approved Regeneration Plan. The purpose of the Regeneration Plan is to guide redevelopment of the Area.

- .1 In addition to other policies of the Official Plan, Regeneration Plans may include the following, as deemed necessary by City staff:
  1. Urban design guidelines for the proposed Regeneration Area that will take into account, community safety based on the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles, "walkability", transit and other street users, lotting and fencing along major roads, community gateways, access to parks, schools, community facilities, major open space, bikeways and trails, commercial areas, and the principles of universal design in order to provide for a barrier free community, in accordance with Policy 14.1 Urban Design;
  2. A statement of principles upon which the preferred concept is based and upon which to guide the preparation and evaluation of subsequent implementation plans;
  3. A description and analysis of the proposed land use distribution, including the proposed land use mix, lot and block sizes, yields, densities, acreages, schools, parks and community facilities;
  4. An analysis of the proposed transportation network, including the proposed road hierarchy, potential traffic volumes, potential transit routes, identification of where traffic signalization will be required, safe pedestrian and cycling movements, and how the trail and bikeway network can be connected to the road extensions in the



area;

5. A report on preliminary servicing details, with drawings, on recommended methods of sanitary sewer design and the provision of water, hydro, gas, telephone and cable services in the study area;
6. Preliminary engineering design and report for all recommended storm water management facilities;
7. A description of how significant natural, heritage and archaeological resources are to be managed within the preferred preliminary plan;
8. A plan for the staging of development;
9. Tree planting and preservation strategy;
10. Heritage strategy identifying heritage sites or structures and outlining methods of conserving or enhancing those identified sites;
11. Or any other works deemed necessary by City staff.

- .2 In the event that the proposed land use includes the conversion of industrial land uses to non-employment uses, the applicant shall provide a comprehensive review, demonstrating that the land is not required for employment purposes over the long term and that there is a need for the conversion, in accordance with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005 and to the satisfaction of City Staff.
- .3 All other applicable policy continues to apply.

15.6.6 The City shall consider utilizing available Federal and Provincial financing programmes, whenever possible, to facilitate development within Regeneration Areas.



**15.7            Major Transit Station**

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| 15.7.1 | The area surrounding the Major Transit Station, as designated on <b><u>Schedule 1-2 – Growth Management Plan</u></b> , is encouraged to provide a focus for increased residential and employment densities and mixed use development and redevelopment. | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |
| 15.7.2 | Development or redevelopment around the Major Transit Station is to consider access from various transportation modes to the station, including pedestrians, bicycle parking and commuter transfer areas.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08 |



**16. COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT**OPA #160  
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June 27/07  
(repealed)Min. Mod. #20  
Nov. 4/87  
(entire section  
replaced)OPA #84  
July 14/00**16.1 General**OPA #125  
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- 16.1.1 The City shall encourage community improvement through the preservation, rehabilitation, renewal, and redevelopment, where appropriate, of certain areas of the City in order to improve the safety and quality of buildings, structures, and facilities.
- 16.1.2 Council shall utilize available Federal and Provincial programmes, wherever possible, to facilitate community improvement.

**16.2 Community Improvement Policy Area**

- 16.2.1 All lands within the City of Brantford municipal boundary are considered eligible for Community Improvement initiatives, and shall be considered as a Community Improvement Policy Area.
- 16.2.2 Within the Community Improvement Policy Area, Council may by bylaw designate certain lands as Community Improvement Project Areas and prepare Community Improvement Plans to establish the detailed objectives and policies concerning the improvement of these specific areas.
- 16.2.3 Community Improvement Project Areas shall be established in accordance with the provisions of Section 16.3.

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### **16.3 Community Improvement Project Areas**

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| 16.3.1 | The following criteria shall be utilized in the selection of Community Improvement Project Areas:  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|        | .1 The lands are substantially developed and large parcels of vacant developable lands are not available;  |                       |
|        | .2 There are inadequacies in municipal services, including road, sanitary sewer, water supply, storm sewer, sidewalk, and street lighting facilities;                    | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|        | .3 The area exhibits other constraints to community improvement such as flood susceptibility or incompatible land uses; and  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|        | .4 The area contains built heritage resources or has special heritage qualities.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
| 16.3.2 | The following criteria shall be utilized, in addition to the criteria in Section 16.3.1, in the selection of residential Community Improvement Project Areas:            | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|        | .1 A substantial portion of the residential dwelling units within the area do not meet the City's maintenance and occupancy standards                                    |                       |
|        | .2 The area is designated and considered to be stable for long-term residential use; and   |                       |
|        | .3 There are inadequacies in the existing neighbourhood facilities or amenities within the area such as parks, schools and community facilities.                         |                       |
| 16.3.3 | The following criteria shall be utilized, in addition to the criteria in Section 16.3.1, in the selection of commercial Community Improvement Project Areas:             | OPA #84<br>July 14/00 |
|        | .1 There is a large proportion of commercial land uses within the area;  |                       |
|        | .2 A substantial portion of the commercial buildings within the area do not meet the City's maintenance and occupancy standards;   |                       |
|        | .3 A substantial portion of the commercial buildings within the area require interior or exterior renovation in order to function as contemporary commercial operations; |                       |



- .4 There is a large proportion of vacant or underutilized commercial floor space within the area;
- .5 There has been a decline in commercial assessment values within the area;
- .6 The commercial uses within the area do not have adequate parking facilities; and
- .7 There is a need to improve the commercial streetscape within the area.

16.3.4 The following criteria shall be utilized, in addition to the criteria in Section 16.3.1, in the selection of industrial Community Improvement Project Areas:

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- .1 There is a large proportion of industrial land uses within the area;
- .2 A substantial portion of the industrial buildings within the area require interior or exterior renovation in order to function as contemporary industrial operations;
- .3 There has been a decline in non-residential assessment values within the area;
- .4 The industrial uses within the area are located in close proximity to residential and other non-industrial uses;
- .5 Industrial traffic is generated onto predominantly residential streets within the area;
- .6 Municipal services within the area are inadequate to support the industrial operations;
- .7 The industrial uses within the area do not have adequate parking, loading, storage, or other site facilities;
- .8 The area contains significant vacant or underused land; and
- .9 The area has significant soil, groundwater, building or other types of environmental contamination.

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16.3.5 Not all of the criteria in Sections 16.3.1, 16.3.2, 16.3.3 and/or 16.3.4 must be present within an area in order for it to be selected as a Community Improvement Project Area.

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## **16.4 Implementation**

16.4.1 Community improvement policies shall be implemented through the following means:

- .1 The preparation of an inventory of the lands within the Community Improvement Policy Area, in order to assist Council in evaluating the requirements for community improvements;
- .2 The selection of Community Improvement Project Areas by bylaw;
- .3 The preparation and adoption of Community Improvement Plans pursuant to the Planning Act;
- .4 Participation in Federal and Provincial programmes for funding community improvement projects;
- .5 Encouraging community organizations and individuals to participate in community improvement projects, wherever possible;
- .6 The establishment of an implementation budget identifying the financial requirements associated with the implementation of the Community Improvement Plan; and
- .7 Ensuring that the City can satisfy the financial requirements for its share of the costs associated with any community improvement projects.

16.4.2 The phasing of community improvements projects shall be determined by:

- .1 The implementation budget established in association with the Community Improvement Plan;
- .2 The availability of funding from the Federal and Provincial Governments; and
- .3 Availability of funding from the City's capital and operating budgets and forecasts.

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16.4.3 The City may investigate and implement within a community improvement plan, incentive programs to assist property owners in undertaking works that are consistent with the objectives of the community improvement plan.

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**17. PARKS AND OPEN SPACE**OPA #84  
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- 17.1 Public parks and open spaces may be developed within the appropriate land use policies and designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**.
- 17.2 Although public parks and open spaces are to be planned on the basis of the land use policies and designations of this Official Plan, it is recognized that it may be necessary to interpret these policies flexibly, depending upon specific circumstances.
- 17.3 The extent and location of parks and open spaces on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan**, other than those existing at the date of adoption of this Official Plan, will be determined at the time of specific development applications.
- 17.4 The City will cooperate, wherever possible, with the Boards of Education in coordinating the planning, acquisition, development, maintenance and programming of recreation and open space facilities.
- 17.5 The City may continue to satisfy a portion of the demand for parks and recreation facilities by arranging with the relevant Board of Education for the joint use of school facilities, where feasible.
- 17.6 Parks and open space shall be designed and developed so that a wide range of activities may be accommodated within the same area or structure, in accordance with the changing needs or demands of the residents.
- 17.7 The City may lease undeveloped, privately-owned lands within any land use designation for the purposes of providing park or recreation facilities.
- 17.8 Parkland will be acquired in accordance with the provisions of Section 18.15 of the Official Plan.
- 17.9 A Parks and Open Space Master Plan, which addresses the City's parks, open space, recreational and cultural facilities and services, will be developed as necessary.

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**18. IMPLEMENTATION**OPA #125  
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July 14/00**18.1 General**

- 18.1.1 The purpose of Section 18 of this Official Plan is to establish the means by which the goals and policies of this Official Plan will be implemented. Generally, the Official Plan will be implemented by means of the powers conferred upon the City of Brantford by the Planning Act, the Municipal Act and other applicable statutes. In particular, this Official Plan shall be implemented by zoning bylaws, subdivision and part lot control, site plan control legislation pursuant to the Municipal Act, property maintenance and occupancy standards bylaws, consents, and the provision of municipal services, public works, and capital works programmes.

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In utilizing these powers, the City shall endeavour to ensure timely, balanced decision-making while keeping the general public informed and involved.

**18.2 Development Staging**

- 18.2.1 The City of Brantford will encourage orderly and efficient development and land use patterns.
- 18.2.2 Deleted.
- 18.2.3 Rates of growth shall be determined taking into consideration the availability of required services. Existing infrastructure and facilities will be optimized.
- 18.2.4 Deleted.
- 18.2.5 A higher priority may be assigned to industrial development than residential development, subject to the availability of required services.

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18.2.6	Applications for development shall be evaluated on the basis of conformity to the following criteria:	Min. Further App. April 21/92
.1	the development conforms to the relevant land use policies of this Plan;	OPA #84 July 14/00
.2	the development represents a logical extension to the existing urban area and encourages the maintenance of a compact, orderly urban form thereby avoiding scattered development;	
.3	the development will be serviced by full municipal services including municipal water supply and sanitary sewers;	
.4	the development supports the efficient utilization and logical extension of existing municipal services;	
.5	the development can be integrated with, and accommodated within, the capacity of the existing transportation system and is supportive of the City's transit system;	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08
.6	where residential development is proposed, the appropriate School Boards have confirmed that there is adequate space within existing school facilities, or that the necessary school sites are or will be provided to accommodate the students which will be generated by the development;	
.7	where residential development is proposed, the area can be adequately serviced by existing parks and/or recreation facilities, or that the application has provided the necessary parks and/or recreation facilities (or cash-in-lieu, where applicable);	
.8	adequate levels of any other necessary local community facilities or services are, or can be made available to service the proposed development;	
.9	the storm water management plans for the development are satisfactory to the City; and	
.10	adequate levels of other necessary utilities are available to service the development.	
.11	the development supports the achievement of intensification and density targets in the City, as identified in this Plan and Provincial Plans.	OPA #125 Dec. 3/08



### **18.3 Zoning Bylaws**

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| 18.3.1 | Zoning Bylaws enacted pursuant to the Planning Act will be used to regulate the use of land and the character, location and use of buildings and structures in accordance with the policies of this Official Plan.  |                               |
| 18.3.2 | <p>The City of Brantford's Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw will be maintained and amended, where necessary, in conformity with the policies of the Official Plan. The Zoning Bylaw shall establish the following where necessary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 Land use zones within designated areas that will permit the types of uses specified in the Official Plan;</li> <li>.2 Development standards appropriate to each type of development, and compatible with adjacent development and the surrounding area; and</li> <li>.3 Any other regulations needed to implement the intent of this Official Plan.</li> </ul> | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p>  |
| 18.3.3 | The permitted uses in the land use designations on <b><u>Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan</u></b> will generally be permitted by the Zoning Bylaw, including accessory buildings and structures, and accessory uses.  | <p>OPA #125<br/>Dec. 3/08</p> |
| 18.3.4 | Deleted   | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p>  |
| 18.3.5 | Detailed Zoning Bylaws incorporating specific plans and conditions for medium and high density residential or non-residential uses may be adopted, where necessary, as an adjunct to subdivision or site plan agreements in order to achieve good individual property and neighbourhood development, and to help realize the policy intent of this Official Plan.   |                               |



## **18.4      Bonus Bylaws**

- 18.4.1      Development standards may be incorporated into the Zoning Bylaw to permit increases in the height or density of development, where such development:
- .1      provides a specific type of housing, such as housing for low and moderate income groups, senior citizens, or persons with disabilities; OPA #49  
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  - .2      preserves areas, sites, buildings or structures of historical, architectural or archaeological merit, provided that: OPA #125  
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    - a)      the owners of designated heritage properties enter into a conservation agreement with the City;
    - b)      the bylaws are enacted at the same time as the approval of the site plan for the entire development;
    - c)      where only a portion of the conserved building or structure is kept, that portion contains the features of historic and/or architectural value or interest for which the building was designated;
    - d)      the quality, character and integrity of the conserved building or structure is maintained and additional density will not be granted for the incorporation of facades or historic building elements into new development;
    - e)      the proposed development respects the scale, character and form of the heritage buildings and landscapes; and where the property is within a Heritage Conservation District, the proposed development conforms to any guidelines for that district.
  - .3      provides community or open space facilities such as community centres, parks and day care centres.
- 18.4.2      Increased height or density provisions enacted in the Zoning Bylaw as outlined above shall specify the development standards that would apply where such increases are to be permitted in accordance with the Official Plan.
- 18.4.3      Council may require the execution of agreements for developments which include increased height and/or density.
- 18.4.4      The City shall prepare an annual financial statement of monies collected under Section 37 bonusing of the Planning Act, which shall be made available to the public. OPA #200  
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## **18.5 Holding Bylaws**

18.5.1 Council may enact holding bylaws in accordance with the Planning Act, in order to limit or prevent the use of certain lands until such time as Council is satisfied that development can be achieved which satisfies the provisions of this Official Plan.

18.5.2 Generally, holding bylaws will be applied to lands which are unserviced or undeveloped at the date of adoption of this Plan. Holding bylaws will identify the ultimate use of these lands in accordance with this Plan and shall identify the holding restriction by affixing an "H" prefix to the land use zone applicable to the lands.

18.5.3 Holding bylaws will specify the uses (and any additional regulations applicable thereto) which will be permitted while the holding provision is in effect, provided that such interim uses do not conflict with the ultimate designated use of the lands. Interim uses may include:

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1. a single detached dwelling
2. uses existing at the date of the adoption of the Official Plan;
3. uses which do not require permanent buildings or structures and do not conflict with the ultimate designated uses of the lands.

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18.5.4 Prior to enacting a bylaw to delete the holding provision in accordance with the Planning Act, Council shall be satisfied that:

- .1 adequate servicing, such as water supply, sewage disposal facilities, storm water drainage, solid waste collection and disposal, and roads can be provided;
- .2 all necessary requirements of the City have been satisfied;
- .3 all necessary subdivision or development agreements have been entered into, and that the conditions of these agreements have been, or will be met; and
- .4 development satisfies all other relevant policies of this Official Plan.

## **18.6 Interim Control Bylaws**

18.6.1 Council may enact interim control bylaws in accordance with the Planning Act, in order to limit or prevent the use of certain lands until such time as a review or study of the land use planning policies of the lands has been undertaken.

18.6.2 Interim control bylaws will specify the use (and any additional regulations applicable thereto) which will be permitted while the bylaw is in effect, provided that such interim uses do not conflict with the ultimate designated use of the lands.



- 18.6.3 Interim control bylaws shall define the specific area affected and establish an expiry date of not more than one year from the date of passing thereof.
- 18.6.4 Council may pass a further bylaw to grant an extension of the interim control bylaw of up to one additional year. Council may not enact another interim control bylaw on the same lands where one has lapsed, for a period of three years.
- 18.6.5 Interim control bylaws shall not prohibit the use of lands for any purpose lawfully in existence, or for which a building permit has been issued under the Building Code Act, on the date of passing of the interim control bylaw.



## **18.7 Temporary Use Bylaws**

- 18.7.1 Council may enact temporary use bylaws in accordance with the Planning Act, in order to allow lands to be zoned for uses otherwise prohibited in the Zoning Bylaw, on a temporary basis.
- 18.7.2 Temporary use bylaws shall define the specific area affected and establish an expiry date of not more than three years from the date of passing thereof.
- 18.7.3 Council may pass further temporary use bylaws to grant an extension of the temporary use bylaw of up to three additional years.
- 18.7.4 Subsequent to the expiration of the bylaws enacted in accordance with Sections 18.7.2 or 18.7.3, the use permitted by that bylaw shall cease or, if such use continues, it will be considered illegal with respect to the comprehensive Zoning Bylaw.
- 18.7.5 In considering temporary use bylaws, Council shall be satisfied that:
- .1 the proposed development or redevelopment is consistent with the temporary nature of the use;
  - .2 the proposed use is compatible with adjacent uses and, where necessary, buffering is provided to ensure visual separation and compatibility between uses;
  - .3 the size of the lot and/or building is appropriate for the proposed use; and
  - .4 adequate services are available.
- 18.7.6 The temporary use bylaw shall establish all necessary site regulations within the bylaw or by reference to the comprehensive Zoning Bylaw.

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## **18.8 Subdivision Control**

- 18.8.1 All lands within the City shall be subject to subdivision control pursuant to the Planning Act.
- 18.8.2 The provisions of the Planning Act relating to subdivision control, including subdivision agreements, will be used by Council to ensure that the land use designations and policies of this Official Plan are complied with, and that a high standard of layout and design is maintained in all development.
- 18.8.3 Council will recommend for approval only those plans of subdivision which conform with the following criteria:
- .1 The plan of subdivision conforms with the policies of this Plan;
  - .2 Adequate servicing, such as water supply, sewage disposal facilities, storm water drainage, solid waste collection and disposal, and roads can be provided; and
  - .3 The City is able to provide necessary municipal services without imposing undue increases in taxation on all residents.

## **18.9 Consents**

- 18.9.1 Consents may be permitted for reasons of the creation of a new lot, boundary adjustments, rights-of-way, easements, and to convey additional lands to an abutting lot, provided an undersized lot is not created.
- 18.9.2 Applications for consents will only be granted where:
- .1 The severance is for the purpose of infilling within existing development;
  - .2 It is clearly not necessary in the public interest that a plan of subdivision be registered;
  - .3 The lot can be adequately serviced by roads, sanitary sewage disposal, water supply, and storm drainage facilities;
  - .4 No extension, improvement or assumption of municipal services is required;
  - .5 The lot will have frontage on an improved public road, and access will not result in traffic hazards;
  - .6 The lot will not restrict the ultimate development of adjacent lands;



- .7 The size and shape of the lot conforms to the Zoning Bylaw, and is appropriate to the use proposed and compatible with adjacent lots; and
- .8 The consent complies with all relevant provisions of this Official Plan.

18.9.3 The City shall endeavour to acquire the road right-of-way widenings on arterial and collector roads as indicated on **Schedule 5-2 - Transportation: Road Widenings** as a condition of the creation of new lots by consent, where practical. Similarly, the City shall endeavour to acquire road rights-of-way as a condition of the creation of new lots by consent, where practical in order to achieve a minimum right-of-way of 20 metres for local roads.

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It is the intent of Council to generally acquire such road widenings at equal distance on either side of the centre line of the existing road allowance except where existing site conditions necessitate taking the widenings unequally from, or only, one side of the centre line.

## **18.10 Site Plan Control**

### **18.10.1 Objective**

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To ensure safe, functional and comprehensive development which has high standards of design and makes efficient use of the land and municipal services particularly in regard to the function of the site.

18.10.2 The entire area within the City of Brantford is designated as a Site Plan Control Area. A Site Plan Control By-law may be enacted by City Council designating all the lands within the Corporate boundaries as a Site Plan Control Area for the purposes of the Planning Act.

18.10.3 Council may delegate its Site Plan Approval authority to an officer or officers of the Municipality.

18.10.4 In accordance with Section 18.25.1 of this Plan, a pre-consultation meeting is required, unless deemed unnecessary by Council or its delegate for applications for Site Plan Approval.

18.10.5 Within the Site Plan Control Area identified in Section 18.10.2, Council may by By-law exempt certain types of development from Site Plan Control. Council may also:

- (i) Exempt development which would otherwise be subject to Site Plan approval where it considers such approval to be unnecessary due to the type or scale of the development proposed;
- (ii) By specific By-law, include the requirements for site plan approval for developments otherwise exempted where it considers such approval to be necessary as part of the City's



- approval of a comprehensive development plan which incorporates several types of development;
- (iii) Require Site Plan approval as a condition of a subdivision agreement;
- (iv) Require Site Plan approval as a condition of any decision of the Committee of Adjustment;
- (v) Require Site Plan or Building Permit approval prior to the issuance of a demolition permit(s) for properties which are formally designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, and for those properties that the City has identified as having significant heritage attributes; and,
- (vi) Attach terms and conditions to any demolitions that are approved.

18.10.6 Applications submitted for Site Plan approval may be reviewed by Council based upon the provisions for Site Plan Control in the Planning Act and include such criteria as:

- (i) Compatibility with adjacent uses;
- (ii) Urban design and accessibility standards;
- (iii) The appearance of the proposed building(s) or structure(s), including massing, conceptual design and the relationship to adjacent roads and/or properties;
- (iv) The preservation and use of natural features, including the site's topography;
- (v) The provision of adequate off-street pedestrian and vehicular access, parking areas, bicycle and loading areas;
- (vi) The location of external lighting and its impact on adjacent roads and properties;
- (vii) The location of signs, garbage and recycling collection/storage areas, fences and screens;
- (viii) The location of appropriate landscaping and grading;
- (ix) The provision of services for water, sanitary sewers and stormwater drainage including overland flow;
- (x) The provision of any necessary easements for public services; and,
- (xi) The impact of the proposed plan on cultural heritage resources and the plan's overall strategies toward the preservation, re-use, interpretation and commemoration of cultural heritage resources.

18.10.7 An application for Site Plan approval shall include the submission of plans and drawings showing the location of all buildings and structures to be built and all facilities to be provided as part of the proposed development, as well as matters relating to the following:

- (i) Exterior design, including, without limitation, the character, scale, appearance and design features of buildings, and their sustainable design;
- (ii) The sustainable design elements on any adjoining highway under the City's jurisdiction, including, without limitation, trees, shrubs, hedges, plantings or any other ground cover,



- permeable paving materials, street furniture, curb ramps, waste and recycling containers and bicycle facilities; and,
- (iii) Facilities designed to have regard for accessibility for persons with disabilities.

18.10.8 Applications for Site Plan Approval may be reviewed by Council or its designate, to consider principles of “Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design” (CPTED) to assist in the creation of sustainable developments which through their relationship with the site and adjacent lands are perceived to be safe.

The CPTED design strategies to be addressed through site plan are as follows:

- (i) Natural Access Control:  
Provides for a logical and organized design to restrict, encourage and safely direct movement of people and vehicles into, out of, and within a site in a controlled manner. Natural access control should be coupled with natural surveillance techniques.
- (ii) Natural Surveillance:  
Maximizing visibility and the opportunity for observation through the placement and design of physical and social features shall be considered. This includes the placement of gathering spaces/points of interest, building orientation, lighting, windows, entrances/exits, parking, walkways, security stations, fencing, landscaping, signage as well as any other physical obstruction.
- (iii) Territorial Reinforcements:  
Territorial reinforcement can be created using among other things, landscaping, pavement designs, gateway treatments, signs and fences. This can be used to define property lines and clear distinctions between public and private spaces.

18.10.9 As a condition of approval of the plans and/or drawings required in this Section, the City may require the owner of the land to:

- (i) Provide and maintain, to the satisfaction of and at no expense or risk to the City, the facilities, works, or matters set out in Section 41(7) of the Planning Act, as amended;
- (ii) Enter into one or more agreements with respect to the provision and maintenance of such facilities, works, or matters; and
- iii) Enter into one or more agreements to ensure that the development proceeds in accordance with the approved plans and drawings as required by this Section.



- 18.10.10 The City shall endeavor to acquire the rights-of-way widenings as indicated on **Schedule 5-2 – Transportation: Road Widenings** as a condition of Site Plan Control. It is the intent of Council to generally acquire such road widenings at equal distance on either side of the centerline of the existing road allowance. Where existing site conditions, or the nature of the proposed development, necessitate taking the widenings unequally from or on one side of the centerline, it is the intent of Council to acquire up to 50% of the widening from any one side as a condition of Site Plan approval. Any land acquisition greater than this will be obtained through a negotiated agreement with the landowner.
- 18.10.11 The City may also require widenings in addition to those specified on **Schedule 5-2 – Transportation: Road Widenings** in order to provide appropriate turning lanes and daylighting triangles at intersections.
- 18.10.12 In situations of a residential building of less than twenty-five (25) units, unless otherwise exempted from Site Plan Control and specifically defined in the Site Plan Control By-law, City Council may require the applicant to submit drawings showing plan elevations and cross-sectional views, in order to assess the appropriateness of the proposal.
- 18.10.13 Notwithstanding Section 18.10.5, within the Site Plan Control area identified in Section 18.10.2, for those developments requiring approval under the City of Brantford Site Alteration By-law, the provisions of Section 41(7(a) (9) of the Planning Act, as amended, relating to grading or alteration in elevation or contour of the land and provision for the disposal of storm, surface and waste water from the land and from any buildings or structures thereon, shall apply.
- 18.10.14 Approval of Site Plans and the execution of related Site Plan Agreements shall be required prior to the issuance of building permits.”



**18.11 Minor Variances**

- 18.11.1 Applications for minor variances shall be considered by the Committee of Adjustment on the basis of compliance with the general intent and purpose of this Official Plan and the implementing Zoning Bylaw.
- 18.11.2 The Committee of Adjustment will consider applications for minor variances on the basis of conformity to the following or other criteria:
- .1 The applicant cannot acquire additional property to comply with the minimum requirements of the Zoning Bylaw;
  - .2 Adequate provision is made for vehicular access and off-street parking on the lot;
  - .3 Building coverage is not excessive and adequate landscaping can be provided on the lot;
  - .4 The lot size and design of the proposed building or structure are in keeping with adjacent development and the general intent of the provisions in the Zoning Bylaw; and
- 18.11.3 The Committee of Adjustment will not consider an application for a Minor Variance within two year of the passing of an applicant initiated Zoning By-law Amendment, unless permitted by Council through a resolution.

OPA #200  
June 27/17



## **18.12 Non-conforming Uses**

- 18.12.1 In accordance with the Planning Act, the following uses which are not in conformity with the land use designations of this Official Plan shall be recognized as legal non-conforming uses:
- .1 Any land, building or structure lawfully in existence on the date of passage of any Zoning Bylaw to implement this Official Plan, provided that it continues to be used for that purpose; or
  - .2 Any building or structure for which a building permit has been issued under the Building Code Act prior to the date of passage of any Zoning Bylaw to implement this Official Plan, provided that it is erected and used for that purpose, and that the building permit is not otherwise revoked.
- 18.12.2 Non-conforming uses shall be encouraged to relocate or redevelop so that the land may be developed in conformity with the Official Plan and the relevant Zoning Bylaw.
- 18.12.3 Council may consider the feasibility and desirability of acquiring any legal non-conforming use and of disposing, exchanging or holding such use in accordance with the Planning Act.
- 18.12.4 Applications for the extension or enlargement of a legal non-conforming use may be permitted by amendment to the Zoning Bylaw, or by minor variance approved by the Committee of Adjustment, in accordance with the Planning Act.
- 18.12.5 Applications for the extension or enlargement of a legal non-conforming use will be evaluated on the basis of conformity to the following criteria:
- .1 It is not possible to relocate the legal non-conforming use to a location where it will conform to the prevailing land use designation;
  - .2 The proposed extension or enlargement represents a reasonable increase in the size and scale of the legal non-conforming use;
  - .3 The proposed extension or enlargement will not unduly aggravate the situation created by the existence of the legal non-conforming use;



- .4 Abutting uses will be afforded reasonable protection by the provision of landscaping, screening, buffering and setbacks, where appropriate;
- .5 Adequate provisions will be made for off-street parking and loading facilities, where necessary;
- .6 All services, such as water, sanitary sewage disposal, stormwater drainage and roads serving the legal non-conforming use, will be adequate; and
- .7 The application has been circulated for comments to those municipal departments, public agencies, and property owners which may be concerned or affected, prior to a decision being made on the application.

18.12.6 An established use that existed prior to the passing of a Zoning Bylaw and that does not conform to the land use policies and designations of this Official Plan, may be zoned in accordance with the existing non-conforming use provided that:

- .1 The zoning of such non-conforming use will not permit any significant change of use that will be detrimental to any existing conforming uses;
- .2 The non-conforming use does not constitute a danger to surrounding uses by virtue of their hazardous nature or the traffic they generate;
- .3 The non-conforming use does not pollute the environment to the extent of interfering in the natural use of the property; and
- .4 The non-conforming use does not interfere with the continued development of adjacent conforming uses.



**18.13 Property Standards**

- 18.13.1 Council has enacted, and may from time to time, amend a Property Standards Bylaw prescribing standards for the maintenance and occupancy of property within the City. Min. Mod. # 24  
Nov. 4/87
- 18.13.2 Council may require, within the Property Standards Bylaw, that property that does not conform to that Bylaw be repaired and maintained to the standards of the Bylaw or prohibit occupancy of such property, or may order the property to be cleared and graded.
- 18.13.3 Council may make or grant loans to owners for the repair or demolition of properties in accordance with the Planning Act.

**18.14 Demolition Control**

- 18.14.1 Where a Property Standards Bylaw identified in Section 18.13 is in effect, Council may enact a bylaw creating an area(s) of demolition control pursuant to the Planning Act. OPA #84  
July 14/00

**18.15 Parkland Acquisition**

- 18.15.1 Land required for public park or recreational uses in accordance with this Official Plan may be generally acquired through dedication to the City in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act, as follows:
- .1 As a condition of development or redevelopment for residential purposes at a rate of:
    - i) 5 percent of the land proposed for development, or
    - ii) an amount up to 0.4 hectares per 120 dwelling units for areas of high density residential development as identified in the Official Plan;
  - .2 As a condition of development or redevelopment for industrial or commercial purposes at a rate of 2 percent of the land proposed for development; and
  - .3 As a condition of development or redevelopment for any other use at a rate of 5 percent of the land proposed for development.
- 18.15.2 Council may require in lieu of the conveyance of parkland, in accordance with Section 18.15.1, cash payment of money equal to the value of the land to be conveyed. The value of the land shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act. OPA #84  
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| 18.15.3  | Land dedicated for park purposes shall only be accepted when minimum site and location standards and site preparation have been deemed acceptable by the City.   |                            |
| 18.15.4  | Council shall use the lands conveyed to the City under Section 18.15.1 for public park or recreational uses, but may sell such lands at any time.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00      |
| 18.15.5  | All monies received under the provisions of Sections 18.15.2 and 18.15.4 shall be used for the sole purpose of public park or recreational uses in accordance with the Planning Act.   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00      |
| 18.15.6  | Council may utilize any monies identified in Section 18.15.5 to acquire or develop public park or recreational uses in any area of the City it considers necessary.  | OPA #84<br>July 14/00      |
| 18.15.7  | The City shall prepare an annual financial statement of monies received for cash in lieu of parkland. The statement will outline how and where the money collected has been spent and shall be made available to the public.                                       | OPA #200<br>June 27/17     |
| 18.15.8  | The City shall endeavour to encourage other agencies and groups to make land and facilities available for the general use of all residents.  |                            |
| 18.15.9  | The City may also acquire lands which are of particular value either because of their physical character or because their location provides a link with other portions of the open space system.   |                            |
| 18.15.10 | Parkland acquisition may include any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 dedication through development;</li> <li>.2 lease;</li> <li>.3 shared use agreement;</li> <li>.4 property exchange; and</li> <li>.5 property donation.</li> </ul> | Min. Mod. #25<br>Nov. 4/87 |

## **18.16 Land Acquisition**

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| 18.16.1 | Council may acquire and hold lands within the City for the purposes of implementing the Official Plan in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act. |
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## **18.17 Sign Bylaws**

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| 18.17.1 | Council may adopt Sign Bylaws setting forth standards and requirements for signage erected on property within the City. |
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## **18.18 Public Works**

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| 18.18.1 | Public works shall be undertaken in accordance with the goals and policies of this Official Plan. |
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**18.19      Municipal Finance**

- 18.19.1      Five-year capital works programmes and other financial plans shall be proposed in accordance with the goals and policies of this Official Plan.
- 18.19.2      Future development will be monitored to ensure that a balance is maintained between demands for municipal service and the overall fiscal capacity of the City, and that an appropriate relationship is maintained between residential and non-residential assessment.

**18.20      Other Legislation**

- 18.20.1      The Planning Act, the Municipal Act and other relevant statutes governing such uses as waste disposal sites, automobile wrecking yards, pits and quarries, trailers, and signs shall be reviewed and, where appropriate, existing bylaws shall be amended and new by-laws shall be enacted to ensure that such uses are properly regulated and controlled according to the policies of the Official Plan.
- 18.20.2      Nothing in this Plan shall be interpreted to mean that an undertaking which is subject to the Environmental Assessment Act may proceed except in compliance with that Act. Min. Mod. #26  
Nov. 4/87

**18.21      Public Consultation**

- 18.21.1      Council shall, in its consideration of an application to amend the Official Plan or Zoning Bylaw, solicit the views of the public on such application at a public meeting, as required by the Planning Act. OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08  
  
OPA #84  
July 14/00
- 18.21.2      The public information and notice requirements of the Planning Act shall apply in all cases except in the following types of amendments where the choice may be made between the provisions of the Planning Act and the following alternative Notice procedures: Min. Mod. #27  
Nov. 4/87  
  
OPA #84  
July 14/00
- .1      Council may forego public notification and public meetings in connection with technical or housekeeping revisions to the Official Plan, Zoning Bylaw, or Community Improvement Plan if the amendment will not affect the provisions and intent of the Official Plan, Zoning Bylaw, or Community Improvement Plan, or an amendment previously enacted to each document in any material way and may include the following matters: OPA #49  
June 1/95  
OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09
- .1      consolidations of previous amendments into the parent document without altering any approved policies or maps;
- .2      changing the numbers of sections or the order of sections, or re-formatting of policies, schedules or maps, but not adding or deleting sections, or altering a designation in a schedule or map;



	.3	correcting grammatical, clerical or typographical errors, or punctuation, or deleting obsolete policies, which do not affect the intent or effect of the policies or maps;	
	.4	changing reference to legislation where changes to legislation have occurred.	
18.21.3		Public Notice of an application for amendment to the Official Plan or Zoning Bylaw shall include erection of a sign on the land affected by the application describing briefly the amendment application.	OPA #49 June 1/95
18.21.4		The City shall, on matters of major policy significance, ensure effective consultation which provides the opportunity for discussion of the issues early and throughout the process by a broad cross-section of the community as an integral part of the decision-making procedures.	OPA #49 June 1/95
18.21.5		A ward/community meeting will be held to discuss proposed amendments to the Official Plan or Zoning Bylaw; draft plans of subdivision; or approved Community Improvement Plans, except for those amendments that are described in Section 18.21.2.1m or except in circumstances where the amendment is regarded as minor in nature and there are no anticipated impacts arising from the amendment. The waiving of the necessity to hold a ward meeting will be determined by the Director of Planning, in consultation with the Ward Councillors. The ward/community meeting shall be conducted as follows:	Min. Mod. #21 Dec. 3/08 OPA #178 Jan. 29/13
	18.21.5.1	Will be held, if feasible, within the neighbourhood affected by the planning application;	
	18.21.5.2	Notice will be given in the same manner and to the same notification area as that for the public hearing on the planning application;	
	18.21.5.3	The open house shall be held no later than 7 days before the required public meeting for the planning application; and	
	18.21.5.4	The open house will provide the opportunity to present the planning application and to discuss neighbourhood concerns and issues relating to the application.	
18.21.6		The City shall provide notice to the Six Nations of the Grand River and the Mississaugas of the New Credit in accordance with the Grand River Notification Agreement on matters included in that agreement.	Min. Mod. #22 Dec. 3/08
18.22		Deleted	OPA #192 Mar 29/16



## 18.23 Official Plan Review

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| 18.23.1 | This Official Plan shall undergo a comprehensive review with approximately ten year intervals, the purpose of which will be to measure the degree of achievement of the Official Plan's Principal Goal in maintaining and enhancing a desirable quality of life and to revise subsidiary goals, objectives, policies and methods of implementation where necessary.   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95<br>OPA #200<br>June 27/17             |
| 18.23.2 | <p>Factors affecting the goals and policies of this Official Plan will be monitored, as deemed necessary, to evaluate the Official Plan's performance. Factors which may be monitored include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 population and employment growth;</li> <li>.2 development trends;</li> <li>.3 rate of development;</li> <li>.4 the balance between resident labour force and employment opportunities;</li> <li>.5 residential density and housing mix;</li> <li>.6 sanitary sewage disposal, stormwater drainage and water supply capacity utilization;</li> <li>.7 social indicators;</li> <li>.8 the results of household travel surveys;</li> <li>.9 updates to the City's Transportation Master Plan; and</li> <li>.10 other factors affecting land use planning for the City.</li> </ul> <p>This review will ensure that the goals and policies of this Official Plan remain realistic and will determine how well the policies are being implemented.</p> | <p>OPA #49<br/>June 1/95</p> <p>OPA #59<br/>Nov. 19/97</p> |
| 18.23.3 | As a result of this review and monitoring process, the Official Plan may be amended from time to time.  |  |
| 18.23.4 | The City shall ensure broad and effective public consultation in the review of the Official Plan.   | OPA #49<br>June 1/95                                       |
| 18.23.5 | When feasible, the ten year review of the Official Plan will be carried out with the review of the Transportation Master Plan.  | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97<br>OPA #200<br>June 27/17            |



**18.24      Complete Applications**OPA #140  
Apr. 4/08

18.24.1      In order for Applications for Official Plan and/or Zoning Bylaw Amendment, Draft Plan of Subdivision, and Consent, to be deemed complete, the City may require other information in addition to that information prescribed by *The Planning Act*, to support the application, which may include one or more of the following:

1. Application Form (Mandatory);
2. Covering Letter (Mandatory);
3. Required Fees (Mandatory);
4. Agricultural Impact Assessment and/or statement of conformity with Minimum Distance Separation Formula;
5. Archaeological Assessment;
6. Building Details (including elevations, colours, materials, etc.);
7. Building Matrix;
8. Commercial Land Needs Assessment;
9. Employment Land Needs Assessment;
10. Environmental Impact Assessment;
11. Environmental Strategy;
12. Erosion/Sediment Control Plan;
13. Financial Impact Study;
14. Functional Servicing Report;
15. Geotechnical Report;
16. Height Survey of Adjacent Buildings;
17. Heritage Impact Statement;
18. Hydrogeology Study;
19. Land Assembly Documents;
20. Landfill Impact Study;
21. Neighbourhood Design Plan;
22. Noise and/or Vibration Study;
23. Odour, Dust and Light Assessment and Mitigation Report;
24. Park Concept Plan;
25. Parking Study;
26. Peer Review Studies;
27. Phase I Environmental Site Assessment;
28. Phase II Environmental Site Assessment;
29. Phasing Plan;
30. Planning Justification Report;
31. Public Consultation Strategy;
32. Record of Site Condition or Affidavit of Qualified Person;
33. Rental Housing Conversion Study;
34. Residential Land Needs Assessment;
35. Retail/Market Impact Report;
36. Sensitive Land Use Report;
37. Shadow Analysis;
38. Site Plan/proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision and/or Condominium;
39. Soil Report;
40. Stormwater Management Report/Plan;
41. Street Parking Study;



- 42. Survey (completed within the last five years preceding Application submission showing all buildings/structures currently located on property);
- 43. Traffic/Transportation Impact Study;
- 44. Tree Inventory and/or Tree Preservation Study;
- 45. Top-of-Bank Demarcation; and
- 46. Urban Design Guidelines

18.24.2 In order to determine the specific information requirements for an Application, the City may require the holding of a Pre-consultation Meeting. This Meeting will determine the information that will be required by the City to conduct an appropriate review of the development proposal. If a Pre-consultation Meeting is deemed not to be necessary, only the prescribed information under *The Planning Act* need be submitted in order for the Application to be deemed complete.

18.24.3 It is recognized that certain information required to support the application might not be necessary at the outset in order for an application to be processed. In this event, the Applicant will be advised at what point specific information will be required. Should the Applicant not provide this information as required, the City may cease processing of the Application until the requested information has been submitted.

18.24.4 Additional information may be required, in addition to that determined through the pre-consultation process, as a result of the formal circulation and review of the development proposal by other City Departments and/or external agencies. The Applicant will be advised of these additional requirements and will be expected to provide the requested information to the City as soon as possible. Processing of the Application will continue to the extent possible prior to the additional information being submitted. Should further processing not be possible, the Applicant will be so advised.

18.24.5 The City will outline the requirements for each of the studies/reports noted above for the Applicant during the Pre-Consultation Meeting. In the event that reports do not adequately address these requirements, the Municipality will require that the study/report be revised so that it is in accordance with Municipal requirements. Until such time as the revised document has been received the application will not be considered "complete".

## 18.25 **Pre-consultation Meetings**

18.25.1 Pre-consultation meetings are required for Applications for Official Plan and/or Zoning Bylaw Amendment, Draft Plan of Subdivision, and Site Plan Approval.

18.25.2 The purpose of a pre-consultation meeting is to provide the Applicant



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- 18.25.3 The Applicant shall provide the City with, at minimum, general information sufficient to indicate the intention of the development proposal. This information shall indicate the location of the subject lands and a plan/description of the intended development. The Applicant should also be prepared to answer general questions related to servicing, parking, landscaping and other conformity issues. The information submitted will be circulated to the applicable Departments in advance of the Pre-consultation Meeting for review.
- 18.25.4 It is intended that the Pre-consultation meeting will determine the necessary information requirements in order to immediately begin processing the Application following its submission to the City.
- 18.25.5 In the event that a Pre-consultation Meeting does not precede the filing of the Application, such meeting will be arranged as soon as possible thereafter. Formal receipt of the Application will not occur, nor processing of it be formally initiated, until the requirements for a Pre-consultation Meeting, and submission of a complete Application, have been fulfilled, unless waived by the Director of Current Planning Services. The required processing timelines as set out in *The Planning Act* will not be deemed to start until these have been fulfilled. At such time as these both have been fulfilled, the timeframe requirements of *The Planning Act* will begin the first full business day following their fulfillment.
- 18.25.6 Meetings to discuss development proposals arranged by Departments other than Current Planning Services may occur from time to time. These Meetings are not regarded as being Pre-consultation Meetings and will not fulfill the requirement for a Pre-Consultation.
- 18.25.7 While a Pre-consultation Meeting is deemed to be necessary and required in most cases, it is recognized that there may be times when it is not necessary, such as in circumstances where a technical amendment is proposed to a definition, or a single provision within the Zoning Bylaw is proposed. In this event the waiving of the Pre-consultation Meeting can occur at the discretion of the Director of



Current Planning Services. Sufficient information will be required to be provided by the Applicant in order for the determination by the Director to be made.

- 18.25.8 In no event shall the City refuse to convene a Pre-consultation Meeting should an Applicant request such a meeting.
- 18.25.9 Should a proposal be revised to a minor extent as a result of the Pre-Consultation Meeting, a second Meeting will not be required. The formal Application may be made on the basis of the requirements set out during the Pre-consultation process. If, however, the proposal is substantially revised whether as a result of the Pre-consultation Meeting or otherwise, a second Pre-consultation Meeting shall be necessary. Final determination of the necessity of a second Pre-consultation Meeting shall be made by the Director of Current Planning Services.



**19. WEST OF CONKLIN SECONDARY PLAN**

OPA #144  
June 20/08  
OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09

**19.1 General****19.1.1 Purpose**

- .1 The purpose of this Secondary Plan is to provide a detailed land use plan and policies for the regulation of land use and development within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area in the City of Brantford.

**19.1.2 Location**

- .1 This Secondary Plan applies to the lands within the Southwest Brantford, West of Conklin Area. The limits of the Secondary Plan Area are identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**, **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan**, **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-3 – Transportation Plan**, and **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-4 - Greenlands Plan** to this Secondary Plan.

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**19.1.3 Interpretation**

- .1 It is intended that the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area be developed in accordance with the policies of this Secondary Plan.
- .2 Inherent to the West of Conklin Secondary Plan is the principle of flexibility, provided that the general intent and structure of the Plan are maintained to the satisfaction of the City. As such, it is the intent of the municipality to permit some flexibility in the interpretation of the policies, regulations and numerical requirements of this Secondary Plan and the appended Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A), the Net Land Area/ Density/Housing Mix (Appendix V-B), and the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan Design Requirements (Appendix V-C), except where the Secondary Plan is explicitly intended to be prescriptive. The purpose of Appendices V-A, V-B, and V-C are for guidance to the planning process and as such do not require amendment to the Official Plan.
- .3 The boundaries between land use designations on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedules 7-1 – Community Structure and West of Conklin Secondary Plan: 7-2 –**

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**Land Use Plan** are to be considered approximate except where they meet with roads, rail lines, river valleys or other clearly defined physical features. Where the general intent of this Secondary Plan is maintained, to the satisfaction of the City, minor boundary adjustments will not require an Amendment to this Secondary Plan.

- .4 Development within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area will be guided by a detailed series of policies, regulations and guidelines that will create a livable and diverse community that is sympathetic to the environmental context. The Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A) provides the foundation for the development of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area and the basis for the policy framework of this Secondary Plan.

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The following text and maps, identified as **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure, West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 - Land Use Plan, West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-3 - Transportation Plan and West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-4 - Greenlands Plan** attached hereto, constitute the West of Conklin Area Secondary Plan as established and adopted by Amendment No. 144 to the City of Brantford Official Plan.

- .5 Other sections of the Official Plan should be consulted in conjunction with this section for additional applicable policies that are not present in the Secondary Plan
- .6 The following policies shall apply to lands in the Southwest Brantford, West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area. These policies are in addition and complementary to the applicable policies of the City of Brantford. In the event of a conflict between provisions of this Secondary Plan and that of the Official Plan, the Secondary Plan policies shall prevail.

## **19.2 Principles and Community Structure**

### **19.2.1 Principles**

- .1 The West of Conklin Secondary Plan is based on achieving the policies of the Province of Ontario with respect to efficient, cost-effective development and land use patterns, the conservation of natural and cultural heritage features, the protection of public health and safety and the achievement of minimum development densities as articulated in the Planning Act, the Provincial Policy Statement and the



Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Further, this Secondary Plan is expected to achieve the goals and objectives of the City of Brantford Official Plan. Fundamental to the development of this Secondary Plan is the achievement of a transit supportive community structure and the achievement of a minimum gross density of 50 residents and/or jobs per hectare.

- .2 The West of Conklin Secondary Plan is based on a community design that is diverse in use and population, is scaled to the pedestrian, can accommodate private automobiles and transit and has a well defined and high quality public realm - the roads, greenlands system and public buildings.
- .3 A primary principle inherent in the design of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan is the conservation of existing natural heritage features and cultural heritage landscapes. These features and landscapes are conserved and integrated within the overall design strategy.
- .4 The following design principles shall be considered in the review of all public and private sector development applications within the Secondary Plan Area:

#### **.1 Focus**

- .1 The community will be multi-centered and will comprise three neighbourhoods.
- .2 Each neighbourhood should have identifiable edges and a distinct higher intensity, mixed use focus that is within a 5 minute walk of the majority of residents.

#### **.2 Greenlands**

- .1 A variety of parks for an array of recreation and leisure activities will be provided.
- .2 Parks, open space, natural heritage features and storm water management facilities shall form a connected greenlands system.
- .3 Storm water management facilities shall be designed as landscape amenities, as well as to perform their functional requirements.

#### **.3 Connections/Linkages**

- .1 The community will have a continuous system of trails for walking and cycling.



- .2 Roads will provide a network that is appealing for pedestrians, cyclists, and transit facilities, as well as cars.
- .3 Pedestrian connections adjacent to significant natural heritage features shall be planned to anticipate use and to avoid impact on the features and their environmental functions.
- .4 All roads will be designed as important components of the public realm. All roads will be lined with trees and have sidewalks.
- .5 The community and its neighbourhoods will be linked to the existing built areas in Brantford.
- .6 Community design will be based on a modified grid system to enable ease of access and improved connections through the community.

#### **.4 Uses**

- .1 Provide a diversity of housing types from single detached houses to apartment buildings to achieve densities anticipated in municipal and provincial policy.
- .2 Plan for a density of development that will help to support transit and commercial activity.
- .3 Provide a mix of uses so that people can have the choice to work, shop and enjoy community facilities in the community.

#### **.5 Infrastructure**

- .1 Municipal services shall be provided in a cost effective and efficient manner.

### **19.2.2 Community Structure**

- .1 The community structure of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area is based on achieving the principles identified in Section 19.2.1 of this Plan. The planned community structure is reflected conceptually on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** to this Secondary Plan. The components of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area that define its urban structure are identified in the text below.

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## **.2 Neighbourhoods:**

- .1 Neighbourhoods are the fundamental structural element of the Secondary Plan Area. Neighbourhoods must be cohesive and comprehensible to their residents. Neighbourhoods are self-contained areas with a mix of housing types, land uses and activities.
- .2 The West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area includes three Neighbourhoods. They each blend a mix of low, medium and higher density housing types as well as public open space features. Residential densities, lot sizes and building types shall vary throughout each Neighbourhood to achieve the variety and animation typical of the older, traditional neighbourhoods found in the City of Brantford. The highest densities shall occur adjacent to Shellard Lane and the Collector Road network, and within the designated Neighbourhood Centres and the Village Centre. To encourage pedestrian activity, and reinforce their function, the majority of the Secondary Plan area is within a 400 metre or 5-minute walk of each of these Centres. Lower density housing is located in areas adjoining the identified natural heritage features, and toward the edges of the Neighbourhoods. It is a requirement of this Secondary Plan that each of the three Neighbourhood Centres identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** shall achieve a minimum gross density of 50 residents and/or jobs per hectare. Neighbourhoods are edged either by natural heritage features or the primary road network, giving each Neighbourhood a unique identity. The edge of each Neighbourhood is typically beyond the 400-metre (5 minute walk) radius from the Neighbourhood Centre, and the lowest density of development is anticipated between the 400-metre radius and the edge of the Neighbourhood.
- .3 Public open spaces are located to define the character and structure of each Neighbourhood. Neighbourhood Parks are located adjacent to planned school sites and/or integrated with adjacent natural heritage features. Parkettes and urban squares are dispersed throughout each Neighbourhood and are located on visible road frontages.

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## **.3 Centres:**

- .1 The Village Centre is the primary focal point of the community. It is comprised of a mix of uses - including medium and high density residential development, and an array of live/work, retail, office and community facilities and a secondary school site - combined to create a rich and vibrant environment - an



environment that is active every day, all day.

- .2 The foci within each Neighbourhood located south of Shellard Lane is a Neighbourhood Centre, or centres, which may include medium density forms of housing, a Neighbourhood Park, an elementary school, grouped postal facilities, transit stops, small scale retail and service commercial uses and offices and other conveniences of daily life.

OPA #191  
Apr. 24/15

#### **.4 Corridors:**

- .1 Corridors connect the Village Centre and the Neighbourhood Centres within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area. They are places where residents of various Neighbourhoods interact. The Corridors include Shellard Lane and the Collector Roads, as identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**. Some of the Corridors are expected to become the primary transit routes through the Secondary Plan Area, connecting the Neighbourhoods together and to the rest of the City of Brantford. Where appropriate, Corridors should provide a focus for higher density forms of housing.

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#### **.5 Community Institutional/Recreation Centre:**

- .1 The Community Institutional/Recreation Centre is located on the eastern portion of Neighbourhood 2, as identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**. The intent of this area is to assist in creating a complete community and to capitalize on the synergies and resources that a variety of institutional uses and recreational amenities generate by locating them in close proximity to each other.

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#### **.6 The Public Realm:**

- .1 The public realm includes institutional/civic uses (places of worship, schools, recreational buildings and facilities, community centres and seniors housing), the greenlands network (public open space and natural heritage features) and the road network. All of these components of the public realm are significant organizing elements in the pattern of development. They are located to provide interest, diversity and focal points within the community. The design of all elements of the public realm must be to the highest quality possible. The public realm includes:



- .1 **Institutional/Civic Uses:** This Secondary Plan structures roads and blocks to create a hierarchy of public spaces and locations for institutional and civic uses. As a result, institutional/civic uses have the opportunity to occupy important places, overlooking an urban square or terminating a road vista. These views and vistas provide scenic interest and orientation.
- .2 **Public Open Space:** The West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area includes a full array of public open spaces. The public open space system is integrated with the natural heritage features, the cultural heritage landscape and storm water management facilities. A trail network is provided that connects the Neighbourhoods together, and connects the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area to the wider community of Brantford. Public open space is a major attribute of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area.
- .3 **Natural Heritage Features/Storm Water Management Facilities:** Existing natural heritage features are conserved and incorporated into the greenlands system. Storm water management facilities are treated as public assets. The ponds will be designed and planted with native upland, flood tolerant shoreline and aquatic species. Ponds and the overall drainage system are incorporated into the greenlands system.
- .4 **Roads and Lanes:**
  - .1 Roads play a multi-functional role in the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area by providing for a variety of activities and services, including parking, to meet the needs of residents and businesses. Roads provide access for pedestrians and bicycles, opportunities for vistas and view corridors and pedestrian amenity areas, and space for utilities and services.
  - .2 The Secondary Plan Area road pattern is a modified, rectilinear grid. Roads follow predictable routes and are highly interconnected. Variations in the grid through road alignments and block geometrics create sites with identity and character. Within the grid system, roads are organized on a hierarchical basis reflecting their particular functional and design requirements.



- .3 In key locations throughout the Secondary Plan Area, there is the potential for garages to be removed from the front of the dwellings and placed to the rear of the lot, accessed by a system of rear lanes. This dramatically improves the visual quality of the streetscape by reducing the impact of garage doors and facilitates traffic flow along the Collector Road network. The lanes may also provide access to coach houses, routes for service infrastructure and garbage pick-up and may provide additional passive recreational space.

#### **.7 Area C:**

- .1 The Secondary Plan also includes Area C. It has been identified as an area with significant natural heritage features steep slopes and numerous, complex development constraints that require more detailed environmental and engineering analyses prior to any form of urban development being considered. As such, an area specific policy titled, "Area 'C'/Modified Policy Area 7", as shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** has been provided to ensure that the appropriate consideration is given to the unique attributes of the site, prior to development.

### **19.3 Goals and Objectives**

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#### **19.3.1 Introduction**

- .1 The goal and objectives of this Secondary Plan provide the framework for the planning and future use of lands in the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area by both the public and private sectors.
- .2 The goal and objectives will be implemented by the mechanisms set out in this Secondary Plan and the other planning tools available to the City, including implementing zoning bylaws and site plan control. The City will also implement the goals and objectives of this Secondary Plan through the use of the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A) that shall be adopted by Council.

#### **19.3.2 Goal**

- .1 It is the goal of this Secondary Plan to provide a policy framework for detailed land use planning to guide the future development of a new community in the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area. The Secondary Plan demonstrates a balance of housing and community



uses through adherence to the objectives, principles and policies of this Secondary Plan.

### 19.3.3 Objectives

The objectives of this Secondary Plan facilitate the vision for the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area. The objectives establish the context and direction for the development of the community and serve as the basis for the policies and other implementing mechanisms set out in this Secondary Plan. The objectives are:

#### 19.3.3.1 Land Use

- .1 To create a balanced, pedestrian-oriented community comprised of residential neighbourhoods, each with at least one defined centre. The Plan also includes a mixed use Village Centre that is intended to be the central focus of the entire community and to provide opportunities for a variety of housing types, retail/commercial uses, greenland protection and community facilities.
- .2 To ensure a complete and integrated community comprised of:
  - .1 a mix of uses that meet the daily needs of all residents;
  - .2 an appropriate integration of compatible land uses; and,
  - .3 compatibility of building types, achieved through consideration of their scale, massing and relationship to each other.
- .3 To ensure that each of the three Neighbourhoods identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** within the Secondary Plan Area is designed to achieve a minimum gross density of 50 residents and/or jobs per hectare.

#### 19.3.3.2 Urban Design

- .1 To encourage a high quality and consistent level of urban design for the public and private realms through adherence to the principles, policies and requirements of this Secondary Plan and the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).
- .2 To further refine the planning and urban design principles set out in this Secondary Plan, and the appended Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines, by requiring the preparation of the following for each of the three Neighbourhoods identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**:
  - .1 Neighbourhood Design Plan (see Section 19.9.6.2);



- .2 Storm Water Management Plan and Environmental Strategy, including any required Environmental Impact Assessments; and,
- .3 Functional Servicing Plan, including details related to piped water and sewer services and the transportation network.

These studies are mandatory and can be carried out for the entire West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area, or on a Neighbourhood by Neighbourhood basis, and shall be subject to approval by the City, in consultation with any affected agency having jurisdiction.

Neighbourhood Design Plans are required to be approved by the City prior to any further development approvals for any individual parcel of land within the Secondary Plan Area.

#### **19.3.3.3 Residential Development**

- .1 To create and urban environment that provides for safe, functional and attractive residential neighbourhoods.
- .2 To accommodate a minimum of 7,200 residents and/or employees in 2,400 to 2,600 dwelling units upon full build out of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area, exclusive of any future development potential in Area C.

#### **19.3.3.4 Community Facilities/Schools**

- .1 To provide for opportunities to locate community facilities/schools to serve the needs of residents.
- .2 To provide locations for community facilities/schools that are visible and accessible to residents.
- .3 To encourage multi-functional, shared use of public lands and buildings.

#### **19.3.3.5 The Greenlands System**

- .1 To provide a functional and highly interconnected greenlands system for the community that is accessible and visible to residents.
- .2 To ensure continuity of the greenlands system and to provide opportunities for recreational and naturalized links within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area and to the broader City of Brantford.



- .3 To conserve significant natural heritage features, cultural heritage landscapes, and cultural heritage features and archaeological resources.
- .4 To provide a continuous greenlands system throughout the community that incorporates links of varying character and function, among natural heritage features, public parks, storm water management facilities and a full array of community amenities.

#### **19.3.3.6 Transportation**

- .1 To develop a transportation system that provides a variety of connections to the City of Brantford.
- .2 To create a highly inter-connected network of roads and lanes that provide for ease of access, orientation and safety for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.
- .3 To create a linked trails system composed of roads, lanes and open spaces, sidewalks, off road trails and bicycle lanes.
- .4 To ensure that the required components of the transportation system for any portion of the Secondary Plan Area are committed to be in place and operative prior to or coincident with the development of that phase.
- .5 To phase the implementation of transit services based on acceptable operational and financial criteria.

#### **19.3.3.7 Services**

- .1 To ensure that the services, including the necessary water, sanitary sewer and storm water management systems, power, streetlights, natural gas and communication services required for any part of the Secondary Plan Area, are in place and operative, prior to, or coincident with the development of that phase.
- .2 To ensure that storm water management facilities are designed to fulfill their functional purpose, are treated as aesthetic components of the greenlands system and that they do not negatively impact on natural heritage features or cultural heritage landscapes at any time in the land development process



## **19.4                      Land Use**

### **19.4.1                      General Land Use Policies**

- .1 The basic pattern of land use for the subject lands is established as shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan** of this Secondary Plan. The land use pattern provided on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan** is schematic and may be adjusted through the preparation of a Neighbourhood Design Plan, and/or subdivision or site plan approval processes, taking into account the conservation of natural and cultural heritage features and cultural heritage landscapes, storm water management requirements, detailed land use relationships and road patterns.
  
- .2 **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 - Land Use Plan** provides for the general location and distribution of the following land use designation:
  - .1 the Neighbourhood Residential Designation;
  - .2 the Neighbourhood Centre Designation;
  - .3 the Village Centre Designation;
  - .4 the Area 'C' / Modified Policy Area 7 – Shellard Lane Designation;
  - .5 Places of Worship Symbol;
  - .6 Schools Symbol; and,
  - .7 the Greenlands Designation, which is further subdivided on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-3 – Transportation Plan** into:
    - .1 Open Space/Parks;
    - .2 Environmental Protection Area; and,
    - .3 Environmental Protection Overlay.
  - .8 Community Institutional/Recreation Centre Designation.

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- .3 The locations of all land use designations and symbols shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan** have been selected without regard to property ownership. In order to ensure that property owners contribute their proportionate share towards the provision of community and infrastructure facilities such as schools, parks, roads and road improvements, external services and storm water management facilities, property owners will be required to enter into one or more agreements as a condition of approval of development for their lands, providing for the equitable distribution of the costs, including that of land, of the aforementioned community and common public facilities. The preparation of a Neighbourhood Design Plan, noting the locations of these land use designations, will be required prior to submission of a Zoning Bylaw Amendment or Plan of Subdivision.
- .4 Notwithstanding any other policies of this Secondary Plan, storm water management facilities including storm water management ponds, and all municipal facilities and utilities, shall be permitted on lands in any land use designation. Where any of these facilities are to be located within Environmental Protection Area and/or the Environmental Protection Overlay designations, an Environmental Impact Assessment shall be prepared to the satisfaction of the City, in consultation with any other agency having jurisdiction.

#### 19.4.2 Housing Policies

- .1 This Secondary Plan provides opportunities for a broad range of housing forms throughout the community and within each Neighbourhood.
- .2 The required Neighbourhood Design Plan for each of the three Neighbourhoods identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** is to include the distribution of housing by house form and will identify, in detail, the composition and distribution of the anticipated housing stock and its relationship to the achievement of the Provincial requirement to achieve a minimum gross density of 50 residents and/or jobs per hectare. It is required that each neighbourhood achieve this density target and include low and medium density house forms.
- .3 The City reserves the right to monitor and ensure, through the approval of the Neighbourhood Design Plans, implementing zoning bylaw and plans of subdivision, that the



mix of housing types within each Neighbourhood is appropriate and is in conformity with the provisions of this Secondary Plan and any Provincial policy directives.

#### **19.4.3 Employment Policies**

- .1 The Secondary Plan Area is planned to accommodate a range of small to moderately scaled retail, office uses and a range of institutional activities. Employment opportunities will be located in the Village Centre, Neighbourhood Centres and on the school /place of worship sites. Home offices and home occupations may also contribute to the supply of employment opportunities.
- .2 Development approvals for lands intended to accommodate mixed use or live/work buildings will be monitored to ensure that short-term housing approvals do not preclude opportunities for the development of employment generating land uses in the longer-term.

#### **19.4.4 Cultural Heritage Policies**

- .1 Conservation of significant cultural heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes shall be consistent with the provisions of Section 9.0 of the Official Plan, and all relevant Provincial legislation and policy directives.
- .2 Prior to construction of infrastructure or development approval, not including Neighbourhood Design Plan, an Archaeological Assessment shall be completed to the satisfaction of the City and the Archaeology and Heritage Planning Unit of the Ministry of Culture.
- .3 No grading or other disturbance shall take place on any site within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area prior to the issuance of a letter of clearance for archaeological resources from the Ministry of Culture.

### **19.5 Land Use Designations**

#### **19.5.1 Neighbourhood Residential Designation**

- .1 The Neighbourhood Residential designation shall accommodate a range of ground-related housing and open space uses. Permitted residential building types shall include detached and semi-detached dwellings and street, block or stacked townhouses.



- .2 The range of the permitted residential building types shall be distributed throughout the Neighbourhood Residential designation, and shall be articulated further through the required Neighbourhood Design Plan, draft plans of subdivision and implementing zoning bylaws. The zoning bylaw may permit detached and semi-detached and street, block or stacked townhouses within a single zone to encourage mixing of housing types on individual development blocks and throughout the neighbourhood.
- .3 Building heights shall generally not exceed 3.5 storeys, or 12.5 metres, whichever is less.
- .4 Within the Neighbourhood Residential designation, dwellings will address the road and garage doors shall not dominate the view of the streetscape. Front and exterior side yard porches shall be encouraged. The implementing zoning bylaw shall include details with respect to build within zones for front and exterior side yards, as well as the maximum percentage of lot frontage permitted to accommodate garage doors. Special provisions with respect to porches shall also be included in the bylaw.
- .5 Individual site access for any permitted residential use within the Neighbourhood Residential designation shall not be permitted adjacent to Shellard Lane. Individual site access for any permitted residential use within the Neighbourhood Residential designation adjacent to any Major Collector Road shall be discouraged. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted within the Neighbourhood Residential designation.

#### 19.5.2 Neighbourhood Centre Designation

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- .1 Within each of the Neighbourhoods located south of Shellard Lane identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**, at least one Neighbourhood Centre shall be required.
- .2 Each Neighbourhood Centre may include a range of medium density housing types, a Neighbourhood Park, an Elementary School and a limited amount of institutional, convenience retail, personal service and business activity intended to serve the residents of the adjacent Neighbourhood.
  - .1 permitted residential building types include street, block or stacked townhouses, small plex-type (e.g. quattroplex) multiple unit buildings and small



scale/low-rise apartment buildings. Apartment units are encouraged above the ground floor in a mixed use building. Single-detached and semi-detached housing units are not permitted within the Neighbourhood Centre designation;

- .2 retail and service commercial uses shall only be permitted on the ground floor of a mixed use building. Individual retail and service commercial uses shall generally be limited in size to a maximum of approximately 200 square metres each; and,
- .3 the following retail and service commercial land uses are specifically prohibited:
  - .1 drive-through establishments of any type;
  - .2 any use that requires the outdoor display or storage of goods, with the exception of a seasonal garden centre associated with another permitted use;
  - .3 night clubs or banquet halls;
  - .4 all automobile related uses (sales, service, gas bars, car washes);
  - .5 amusement arcades;
  - .6 places of entertainment;
  - .7 adult live entertainment parlour;
  - .8 body rub parlour; and,
  - .9 taxi establishments.
- .3 Buildings within a Neighbourhood Centre shall generally range in height from 2.5 to 4.5 storeys, or between 7.5 to 13.5 metres, whichever is less.
- .4 The Neighbourhood Park required within each of the identified Neighbourhood Centres shall be a minimum of .75 of a hectare in size, and shall be surrounded on at least two sides, and preferably three sides, by public roads. The design of each Neighbourhood Park shall be articulated in the required Neighbourhood Design Plan. The Neighbourhood Parks are to be accepted as part of the parkland dedication required under the Planning Act.



- .5 The required Neighbourhood Design Plan and the implementing zoning bylaw shall establish and articulate the range of uses and the distribution of such uses within the Neighbourhood Centre designation.
- .6 All development within the Neighbourhood Centre designation will address the road, and garage doors/service facilities shall not dominate the view of the streetscape. Front and exterior side yard porches shall be encouraged on all ground-related residential units. The implementing zoning bylaw shall include details with respect to build within zones for front and exterior side yards, for the various anticipated development types and forms. Special provisions with respect to porches for the ground-related residential uses shall also be included in the bylaw.
- .7 No individual, direct access shall be permitted for any development lot within the Neighbourhood Centre designation that abuts Shellard Lane and/or any Major Collector Road. Parking lots shall not be located within any front yard within the Neighbourhood Centre designation. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted within the Neighbourhood Centre designation.

### **19.5.3 Village Centre Designation**

- .1 The Village Centre is the primary focus of the Secondary Plan Area. The Village Centre will incorporate institutional, retail and service commercial, recreational and cultural uses as well as ground-related housing and residential apartment buildings within a mixed use context. Development in the Village Centre designation may be in either single use and/or mixed use buildings.
- .2 The Village Centre may include a range of medium and higher density housing types, a Secondary School and/or an Elementary School, a Neighbourhood Park and a range of institutional, retail, personal service and business activity intended to serve the entire West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area:
  - .1 permitted residential building types include street, block or stacked townhouses, small plex-type (e.g. quattroplex) multiple unit buildings and apartment buildings. Apartment units may be permitted in either stand-alone residential buildings or above the ground floor in a mixed use building. Single-detached and semi-detached housing units are specifically not



permitted within the Village Centre designation;

- .2 retail and service commercial development shall only be permitted on the ground floor of a mixed use building. Individual retail and service commercial uses shall generally be limited in size to a maximum of approximately 500 square metres each; and,
- .3 the following retail and service commercial land uses are specifically prohibited:
  - .1 drive-through establishment of any type;
  - .2 any use that requires the outdoor display or storage of goods, with the exception of a seasonal garden centre, associated with another permitted use;
  - .3 nightclubs or banquet halls;
  - .4 all automobile related uses (sales, service, gas bars, car washes);
  - .5 amusement arcades;
  - .6 places of entertainment;
  - .7 adult live entertainment parlour;
  - .8 body rub parlour; and,
  - .9 taxi establishments.
- .3 Buildings heights shall be within a range of 3 to 8 storeys, or between 8.0 to 26.0 metres, whichever is less. Where sites abut Shellard Lane, building heights shall be within a range of 3 to 10 storeys, or between 8.0 to 32.0 metres, whichever is less.
- .4 The Neighbourhood Park required within the Village Centre shall be a minimum of 0.75 hectares in size, and shall be located to provide direct access from public roads. The design of the Neighbourhood Park shall be articulated in the required Neighbourhood Design Plan. The Neighbourhood Park is to be accepted as part of the parkland dedication required under the Planning Act.
- .5 All development within the Village Centre designation shall be planned comprehensively on the basis of the required

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Neighbourhood Design Plan. The required Neighbourhood Design Plan and the implementing zoning bylaw shall establish and articulate the range of uses and the distribution of such uses within the Village Centre designation.

- .6 All development within the Village Centre designation will address the road, and garage doors/service facilities shall not dominate the view of the streetscape. Front and exterior side yard porches shall be encouraged on all ground-related residential units. The implementing zoning bylaw shall include details with respect to build within zones for front and exterior side yards, for the various anticipated development types and forms. Special provisions with respect to porches for the ground-related residential uses shall also be included in the bylaw.
- .7 No individual, direct access shall be permitted for any development lot within the Village Centre designation that abuts Shellard Lane and/or any Major or Minor Collector Road. Parking lots shall not be located within any front yard within the Village Centre designation. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted within the Village Centre designation.

#### **19.5.4 Area “C”/Modified Policy Area 7 – Shellard Lane Designation**

- .1 The Area ‘C’ / Modified Policy Area 7 – Shellard Lane designation includes an area that provides significant challenges for future urban development. These challenges include a multitude of significant natural heritage features, sub-surface water flows, steep slopes and complex circumstances related to site servicing and access.

Notwithstanding these challenges, the principle of development is acknowledged and the limits and density of development will be defined by various supporting background studies, including an Environmental Impact Assessment, as part of the development application process to the satisfaction of the City of Brantford, the Conservation Authority, and other approval agencies.

- .2 Development within the Area ‘C’ / Modified Policy Area 7 – Shellard Lane designation shall not be required to achieve the minimum gross density of 50 residents and/or jobs per hectare, due to the preponderance of significant natural heritage features and the general environmental sensitivity of the area. Further, the land area designated Area ‘C’/Modified Policy Area 7 – Shellard Lane shall not be included in the net land area calculations of the West



Conklin Secondary Plan Area, and will, therefore, not be considered in the calculation of gross density for the Secondary Plan Area.

- .3 Permitted uses within the Area 'C' / Modified Policy Area 7 - Shellard Lane designation may include large lot, single-detached housing and/or a range of low impact recreational uses, including a golf course. Notwithstanding those land use permissions, development within this designation will only be permitted in accordance with the following policies:
  - .1 the development proceeds on the basis of full municipal services;
  - .2 the development application includes an engineering analysis establishing the feasibility of providing municipal services to the satisfaction of the City and all other affected agencies having jurisdiction;
  - .3 storm water drainage can be accommodated on site and will not impact on the watercourse through thermal impacts, erosion, sedimentation, or increased rate of runoff;
  - .4 the development application includes an Environmental Impact Assessment, a hydrogeological study and any other studies considered appropriate to ensure that significant natural heritage features and cultural heritage landscapes, including wooded areas, watercourses and wetlands, are maintained in their natural state, and are appropriately conserved, and will continue to contribute to the natural character of the area;
  - .5 access to the development shall be provided to Shellard Lane and at least one additional access point shall be provided to an adjacent Arterial or Collector Road;
  - .6 following consultation with the City and all other affected agencies having jurisdiction, development will be prohibited on lands that are identified as significant natural heritage features and/or cultural heritage landscapes, or are sensitive due to groundwater conditions, vegetation, topography or soils;
  - .7 sewer and water supply crossings of the D'Aubigny Creek may be permitted subject to approvals from the appropriate authority(s); and,



- .8 road accesses between developable areas may be permitted subject to the findings of an Environmental Impact Assessment and all other required studies, in accordance with Section 19.5.4 and Section 19.5.7.3 of this Secondary Plan.

#### 19.5.5 Places of Worship

- .1 Potential locations for Places of Worship are identified symbolically on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan**. The actual location and configuration of any site for places of worship will be further defined/refined through the required Neighbourhood Design Plans, draft plans of subdivision and the implementing zoning bylaw.
- .2 The provision of place of worship sites will be encouraged within areas designated Village Centre and or Neighbourhood Centre. Site criteria include:
  - .1 a minimum site size of 1.0 hectare and a maximum site size of 2.0 hectares; and,
  - .2 primary frontage on Shellard Land, or on a Major or Minor Collector Road.
- .3 The City shall, by subdivision or other appropriate agreements, ensure that appropriate sites are made available for acquisition and use for places of worship for a prescribed period from the date of registration of the plan of subdivision.
- .4 Place of worship sites may be pre-zoned, with a 'Hold' prefix to permit a place of worship, accessory uses and appropriate alternative uses. Removal of the 'Hold' prefix on a dual zoned place of worship site shall be tied to:
  - .1 execution of a site plan agreement for a place of worship; or,
  - .2 expiration of a site reservation period of 2 years from the approval of the 'Hold' zoning and the execution of a site plan agreement for the alternative land use.



## 19.5.6 Schools Symbol

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- .1 School sites are identified symbolically on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan**. These locations have been selected to reflect the role of school sites in supporting the definition of community structure and patterns of land use. The number, location and configuration of school sites will be further defined through the required Neighbourhood Design Plans, in consultation with the School Boards.
- .2 Where a school site adjoins a Neighbourhood Park, the school site shall be sized and designed to facilitate potential joint use between the City and the respective School Board.
- .3 The City will cooperate with the School Boards to promote smaller school site sizes, and to maximize the area available for on-site recreational and athletic use through the construction of multiple storey buildings that permit smaller building floorplates.
- .4 In the event that all or part of a school site is not be required by a School Board, the following alternate uses shall be permitted without an Official Plan Amendment in order of priority:
  - .1 compatible institutional uses as identified in the implementing zoning bylaw, or based on specific evaluation of each site, and which may include religious institutions, government buildings, community and recreational facilities, housing for seniors and/or cultural buildings (e.g. museum, art gallery); or,
  - .2 residential uses, which shall be developed in accordance with the underlying land use designation either Village Centre, or Neighbourhood Centre, identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan** of this Secondary Plan, as considered appropriate by the City; and,
  - .3 the City of Brantford shall have first right of refusal to acquire all or part of the school site; government agencies and community groups with identified needs shall have the second right of refusal.



- .5 School sites and buildings will be developed with the following policies and will have regard for the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A):
  - .1 joint use sites and multiple use buildings will be encouraged wherever possible. The City will work with the School Boards to achieve appropriate and efficient site designs, and to maximize public service and safety;
  - .2 elementary schools shall be located within a Neighbourhood Centre or Community Institutional/Recreation Centre, and on Major Collector roads to be accessible by residents in more than one neighbourhood.
  - .3 a secondary school site shall be located within the Village Centre or Community Institutional/Recreation Centre, and on Shellard Lane to be accessible by the residents within the broader City of Brantford, and surrounding rural communities.
- .6 parking and loading areas will be provided and access points designed in a manner that will minimize conflicts between pedestrian and vehicular traffic and will enhance the aesthetic character of the Neighbourhood.

#### 19.5.7 Greenlands Designation

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The Greenlands designation is a broad category that includes: Open Space/Parks, and Environmental Protection Areas. The Greenlands designation is identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** and **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: 7-2 – Land Use Plan** and is more specifically defined on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-4 – Greenlands Plan**. In addition to the Open Space/Parks and Environmental Protection Areas, **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-4 – Greenlands Plan** includes an Environmental Protection Overlay designation. Policies in support of the Open Space/Parks, Environmental Protection Areas and the Environmental Protection Overlay designations are provided in the following text.

##### 19.5.7.1 Open Space / Parks

- .1 The open space system is highly inter-connected and forms a fundamental structuring element within the Secondary Plan Area. Lands within the Open Space/Parks designation shall include lands within the following categories:



- .1 Neighbourhood Parks;
  - .2 Urban Squares/Parkettes; and,
  - .3 Green Streets/Gateways/Greenways (not shown).
  - .4 Community Recreation Centres (not shown)
- .2 Certain lands included within the Open Space/Parks designation are shown schematically and/or symbolically on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedules 7-2 – Land Use Plan and West of Conklin Secondary Plan: 7-4 – Greenlands Plan**. The locations, configuration and boundaries of these lands shall be confirmed through the required Neighbourhood Design Plans, draft plans of subdivision and implementing zoning bylaw, and may be revised, in accordance with the findings and recommendations of these instruments without further Amendment to this Secondary Plan.
- .3 Each Neighbourhood shall generally include at least 5 percent of the gross land area for public open space purposes.
- .4 Public Parks shall be established in accordance with the following:
- .1 **Neighbourhood Parks:**
    - .1 The Neighbourhood Parks are shown symbolically and schematically on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-4 – Greenlands Plan**. The Neighbourhood Parks are expected to form the central focus of each of the identified Neighbourhood Centres, within the Village Centre and within the overall Community. Neighbourhood Parks shall perform an array of functions within the community and shall range in size from 0.5 of a hectare to 3.5 hectares, depending upon their planned roles and function.
  - .2 **Urban Squares/Parkettes:**
    - .1 Urban Squares/Parkettes, are smaller components of the open space network. They are not shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan or West of Conklin Secondary Plan: 7-4 – Greenlands Plan**. They will be



identified and articulated through the required Neighbourhood Design Plans; and,

**.3 Green Streets/Gateways/Greenways:**

- .1 Green Streets/Gateways/Greenways include small scale open space features incorporated into the Secondary Plan as links in the intended open space system or entrances to the community to provide for connecting pedestrian and bicycle routes and special identity features within the Secondary Plan Area. Green Streets/Gateways/Greenways are not shown on any statutory schedules of this Secondary Plan, however, some are shown conceptually on the Demonstration Plan included as Appendix V-A. They will be identified and articulated through the required Neighbourhood Design Plan.

**.4 Community Recreation Centres**

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- .1 A community recreation centre may be located within a neighbourhood park. The community recreation centre may include a variety of passive and active indoor and outdoor recreation facilities that serve the needs of the West of Conklin area. The community recreation centre may contain other public facilities such as a library, community health centre and a police sub-station. The community recreation centre may be developed in conjunction with one or more schools.
- .2 The community recreation centre will be developed with the following policies:
  - .1 have frontage on a collector or arterial road;
  - .2 be linked to the trail network;
  - .3 the location and configuration of the community recreation centre site will be determined through the preparation of neighbourhood design plans;



- .4 parking areas will be provided and access points designed in a manner that will minimize conflicts between pedestrian and vehicular traffic and will enhance the aesthetic character of the neighbourhood;
  - .5 be a visual focal point in the community; and
  - .6 have regard to the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines contained in Appendix V-A.
- .5 The actual locations, sizes, functions and configurations of all components of the open space system will be confirmed in the approval of the Neighbourhood Design Plans that are required for each of the three Neighbourhoods identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**, and finalized through subsequent development approvals. Adjustments to the Open Space/Parks system shall be dealt with in the required Neighbourhood Design Plans, and shall not require an Amendment to this Secondary Plan, provided the general intent of the Plan is maintained to the satisfaction of the City.
- .6 All Neighbourhood Parks and Urban Squares/Parkettes shall be accepted by the City as contributing to the parkland dedication requirements of the Planning Act. Green Streets/Gateways/Greenways shall be considered on a case-by-case basis, as fulfilling parkland dedication requirements, subject to a review of their individual function within the neighbourhood. Generally, if the Green Street/Gateway/Greenway provides an important functional attribute to the broader neighbourhood it shall be accepted as contributing to the parkland dedication requirement of the Planning Act.
- .7 Land required for public park or recreational uses in accordance with this Official Plan may be generally acquired through dedication to the City in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act, as follows:



- .1 As a condition of development or redevelopment for residential purposes at a rate of:
  - i) 5 percent of the land proposed for development, or
  - ii) an amount up to 1 (one) hectare per 300 dwelling units

#### 19.5.7.2 Environmental Protection Area

- .1 Natural heritage features and natural hazard areas including their associated typical buffer areas within the Secondary Plan Area are designated as Environmental Protection Area on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-4 – Greenlands Plan** to this Secondary Plan. Lands designated Environmental Protection Area shall be subject to the policies of Section 8.0 of the Official Plan.
- .2 Further, any development, including any buildings and any necessary grading, infrastructure and roads proposed within, or within 30 metres of the Environmental Protection Area designation shall be required to prepare an Environmental Impact Assessment that will determine the nature and extent of the feature and the actual buffer that will be required between the Environmental Protection Area designation and the limit of urban development. An Environmental Impact Assessment is to be undertaken by the proponent of development in accordance with City/Conservation Authority requirements and approved by the City, in consultation with any agency having jurisdiction.

#### 19.5.7.3 Environmental Protection Overlay

- .1 Other sections of the Official Plan should be consulted in conjunction with this section for additional applicable policies that are not present in this section.
- .2 Adjacent to some of the areas designated Environmental Protection Area is an Environmental Protection Overlay designation. This designation is based on a distance of 120 metres from the identified Provincially Significant Wetlands, 30 metres from unevaluated wetlands, 30 metres from coldwater watercourses and 15 metres from warm water watercourses, and has been determined in consultation with the Conservation Authority. Further, natural heritage features considered to have a low to moderate sensitivity have been included in the Environmental Protection Overlay designation to ensure appropriate consideration is given to these features



prior to any urban development.

- .3 It is the intent of the Environmental Protection Overlay designation to act as a trigger for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment that will determine the nature and extent of the feature and the actual buffer that will be required between the Environmental Protection Area designation and the limit of urban development. As such, prior to any lands being considered for development within any area identified within the Environmental Protection Overlay designation, an Environmental Impact Assessment is to be undertaken by the proponent in accordance with City/Conservation Authority requirements and approved by the City in consultation with any agency having jurisdiction.
- .4 Where findings of an Environmental Impact Assessment result in modifications to the land use boundaries shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-2 – Land Use Plan**, such modifications shall be permitted without amendment to the Official Plan.

#### 9.5.8 Community Institutional/Recreation Centre Designation

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- .1 The Community Institutional/Recreation Centre will include a variety of passive and active outdoor and indoor recreation facilities that serve the needs of the West of Conklin area as well as that of the overall community. The Community Institutional/Recreation Centre may contain other public facilities such as a library, community health centre and a police sub-station. The Community Institutional/Recreation Centre is encouraged to be developed in conjunction with one or more schools.
- .2 The Community Institutional/Recreation Centre will be developed with the following policies:
  - .1 lots containing indoor recreation facilities shall have frontage on a collector or arterial road;
  - .2 recreational uses are to be linked to the trail network;
  - .3 the location and configuration of a site containing permitted recreation uses will be determined through the preparation of design plans;
  - .4 parking areas will have access points designed in a manner that will minimize conflicts between pedestrian and vehicular traffic, and will enhance the aesthetic character of the neighbourhood;



- .5 the site will be developed with a clear pedestrian, cycling, and vehicular internal road network that minimizes the traffic impact on nearby neighbourhoods;
- .6 Public facilities will be a visual focal point in the community;
- .7 grading of the existing site condition will be minimized; and
- .8 proposals shall have regard to the Urban Design Guidelines contained in Appendix V-A.

## **19.6 Urban Design and Amenity**

### **19.6.1 General**

- .1 The West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area is designed based on achieving a community that is diverse in use and population, is scaled to the pedestrian, can accommodate private automobiles and transit vehicles, and has a well defined and high quality public realm. This Secondary Plan is premised on high quality urban design, including measures to ensure:
  - .1 the provision of a clearly defined public realm;
  - .2 a standardized and highly interconnected pattern of lotting for development blocks;
  - .3 consistent built form;
  - .4 safety, accessibility and comfort in the pedestrian environment;
  - .5 achievement of an overall density within each neighbourhood of at least 50 residents and employees per net hectare; and,
  - .6 support for transit services throughout the community.



## 19.6.2 Public Realm

- .1 The public realm comprises public roads, lanes, open spaces/parks, natural heritage features and their associated buffers, storm water management facilities, and the public use activity areas of public lands and private development sites and buildings.

### 19.6.2.1 Roads and Lanes

- .1 It is intended that roads and lanes will:
  - .1 provide access for vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles, opportunities for vistas, view corridors and pedestrian amenity areas, and space for utilities and services;
  - .2 be subject to comprehensive streetscape requirements, including landscaping, that will ensure that the public realm is consistent in quality and design; and,
  - .3 be aligned to create a modified rectilinear grid pattern that defines development blocks and establishes a highly inter-connected and permeable network that maximizes accessibility and support for transit.

### 19.6.2.2 Views and Focal Points

- .1 The preservation, enhancement and creation of significant views and focal points shall be encouraged by:
  - .1 preserving and enhancing views to natural heritage features, including woodlots, cultural heritage landscapes, water bodies, and across parks and open spaces;
  - .2 providing opportunities for views of important public buildings, heritage buildings, open spaces and parks, natural heritage features, and other landmarks; and,
  - .3 providing for sites that terminate roads and view corridors.
- .2 To recognize the importance of public and institutional buildings in the community and to enhance their status these buildings are encouraged to be sited at the following locations:



- .1 within the Village Centre and the Neighbourhood Centres;
- .2 at the termination of a road or view corridor;
- .3 at road intersections; and,
- .4 on sites that enjoy prominence due to topographic and natural heritage features.

**19.6.2.3 Location of Buildings with Respect to Streets and Open Space**

- .1 To reinforce the road, lane and block pattern established by this Secondary Plan, the following measures will be employed:
  - .1 buildings will be aligned parallel to a public road;
  - .2 buildings will be located in proximity to the property line adjoining the public road;
  - .3 buildings on corner sites will be sited and massed toward the intersection of the adjoining public roads;
  - .4 siting and massing of buildings will provide a consistent relationship, continuity and enclosure to the public roads;
  - .5 siting and massing of buildings will contribute to and reinforce the comfort, safety, and amenity of the public roads;
  - .6 buildings located adjacent to, or at the edge of parks and open spaces will provide opportunities for overlook into the open space;
  - .7 the massing, siting and scale of buildings located adjacent to, or along the edge of a park or open space will create an edge or definition appropriate to the type of open space they abut; and,
  - .8 buildings of significant public use or architectural merit may be sited to specifically differ from the surrounding urban fabric in order to emphasize their importance as landmarks.



### 19.6.3 Private Sector Development

#### 19.6.3.1 Development Blocks and Lots

- .1 All the available urban lands are to be subdivided into a series of development blocks and lots, defined by a modified rectilinear grid system of public roads and lanes.
- .2 The size and configuration of each development block will:
  - .1 be appropriate for its intended use;
  - .2 facilitate and promote pedestrian movement; and,
  - .3 provide a sufficient number and, where appropriate, a range of building lots to achieve cost effective and efficient development.
- .3 Each development lot in a block will:
  - .1 have frontage on a public road or lane; and,
  - .2 be of sufficient size and appropriate configuration to accommodate development that reflects the planning and urban design policies set out in this Secondary Plan and companion Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).
- .4 Notwithstanding the provisions of this Secondary Plan, a lot that does not have frontage on a public road may be permitted, provided the front lot line adjoins public open space fronting a public road, and the rear lot line adjoins, and has access from a public rear lane.
- .5 Notwithstanding the provisions of this Secondary Plan, development lots within either the Neighbourhood Centre or Village Centre designations, having substantial frontage on Shellard Lane and/or a Major Collector Road, may be permitted to have a second access to parking from either Shellard Lane and/or a Major Collector Road provided:
  - .1 the lot contains a comprehensively designed mixed use development;
  - .2 the principle access to the required service areas on the lot is from the exterior side yard,



- .3 the need for a second access to parking can be demonstrated to be necessary to facilitate the development pattern, but will not interfere with, or promote unsafe traffic and pedestrian movement; and,
- .4 the development pattern is otherwise consistent with the provisions of this section of the Official Plan and has regard for the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).

#### **19.6.3.2 Built Form**

##### **.1 Building Compatibility:**

- .1 Over time, new development will be compatible with adjacent and neighbouring development by ensuring that the siting and massing of new buildings does not result in undue adverse impacts on adjacent properties particularly in regard to adequate privacy conditions for residential buildings and their outdoor amenity areas.

##### **.2 Location of Building Entrances:**

- .1 To support public transit and for reasons of public safety and convenience, primary building entrances shall be clearly visible and located on a public road or onto public open spaces.
- .2 Access from sidewalks and public open space areas to primary building entrances shall be convenient and direct, with minimum changes in grade, and shall be accessible to people who are mobility challenged.

##### **.3 Parking and Servicing:**

- .1 To minimize disruptions to the safety and attractiveness of Shellard Lane and the Major Collector Roads, individual direct access shall be minimized, and, in some cases prohibited, in accordance with the policies of this Secondary Plan.
- .4 To enhance the quality and safety of the public streetscapes throughout the Secondary Plan Area, the construction of parking lots/structures which occupy significant proportions of the at-grade frontage of public roads shall not be permitted.
- .5 To reduce the impact of surface parking and to provide at grade amenity areas the provision of structured parking shall be encouraged for higher density forms of development in the Village Centre and Neighbourhood Centre designations, as shown on



**West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure.** Where it is not feasible to locate parking in structures either below or above grade, parking should be located to the rear of principle buildings and/or within the exterior side yard.

### **19.6.3.3 Pedestrian Environment**

#### **.1 Public Safety:**

- .1 To promote safety and security in public places, including roads, parks and open spaces, schools, public transit routes and the public use activity areas of buildings, the following measures are necessary:
  - .1 the design and siting of new buildings shall provide opportunities for visual overlook and ease of physical access to adjacent roads, parks and open spaces;
  - .2 clear, unobstructed views to parks and open spaces shall be provided from the adjoining roads; and,
  - .3 appropriate lighting, visibility and opportunities for informal surveillance shall be provided for all walkways, parking lots, garages and outdoor amenity areas.

#### **.2 Pedestrian Circulation:**

- .1 To ensure ease of access for the pedestrian and the enjoyment of public roads and other outdoor spaces, the following measures are necessary:
  - .1 public-oriented spaces and activity areas, including building entrances, terraces and porches, will be oriented toward public roads;
  - .2 provision of a consistent level of landscape design, incorporating such elements as appropriate paving, planting, fencing, lighting and signage; and,
  - .3 avoiding the location of building ventilation systems in pedestrian areas.



## **19.7            Transportation**

### **19.7.1        General**

- .1        Components of the transportation system serving the Secondary Plan area shall include roads, transit, bicycle and pedestrian routes and facilities.
- .2        Roads shall be consistent with the provisions and standards established through this Secondary Plan, and shall have regard for the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).
- .3        Descriptions and right-of-way requirements for roads are provided in Table 1 to this Secondary Plan, and shall assist in further defining the road system. Final route alignments, designs and requirements for roads, trails and other components of the transportation system shall be established based on the findings and recommendations of the following studies:

- .1        Neighbourhood Design Plan; and,
- .2        Functional Servicing Study.

These studies shall be completed and the requirements for all transportation system components confirmed to the satisfaction of the City in consultation with other agencies having jurisdiction, prior to approval of development within the Secondary Plan Area or within any Neighbourhood.

- .4        Road classifications and right-of-way requirements established by this Secondary Plan shall be subject to confirmation through the further studies required by this Secondary Plan. Minor revisions to these requirements to incorporate design features such as streetscaping and bikeways may be made without further Amendment to this Secondary Plan, provided the requirements are established and confirmed through detailed studies and development approvals.
- .5        The proposed system of roads serving the Secondary Plan Area is shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-3 – Transportation Plan**. The routes, other than those currently existing, are schematic and are intended to be confirmed through more detailed Neighbourhood Design Plans, Functional Servicing Studies and subsequent development approvals. Consequently, the routes may be adjusted without further Amendment to this Secondary Plan, provided that the principles of permeability and inter-



connectivity are maintained to the satisfaction of the City.

- .6 A system of roads and access points may be established for Area “C”/Modified Policy Area 7 as part of the development application process. Possible access points to Area “C”/Modified Policy Area 7 may be established at existing farm access locations; however validity of these possible access points shall be subject to appropriate studies to the satisfaction of the City of Brantford, the Conservation Authority, and other approval authorities as part of the development application approval process
- .7 Local roads typically have a right-of-way width of 20 metres. Table 1 permits local roads to range from 16.0 metres to 20.0 metres. Reductions below the 20.0 metre standard to 16.0 metres may be supported only through the completion of detailed design study that includes the placement of services, the allocation of parking, should it be required, and traffic issues to the satisfaction of the City of Brantford's Planning Department and Engineering Services.



Table 1

## Road Characteristics

Classification	R.O.W. Width	On-Street Parking	Bicycle Facilities	Transit Facilities	Sidewalk(s)	Individual, direct access permission
Arterial	36.0m	No	3.0m path in boulevard (1 side)	Yes	2 sides	No
Collector - Major (with Median)	30.0m	2 sides	Yes	Yes	2 sides	No (laneway access)
Collector - Major	25.0m	2 sides (optionally in lay-by)	Yes	Yes	2 sides	Optional
Collector - Minor	22.0m	2 sides	No	No	2 sides	Yes
Local Road	16.0 - 20.0m*	1 side	No	No	2 sides	Yes
Local – Single-loaded	16.0m	1 side	No	No	2 sides	Yes
Laneway	8.5m	No	No	No	No	Yes
Green Street	18.5m	No	No	No	2 sides	No

\* Subject to Policy 19.7.1.7 and specific Council approval based on the additional justification and technical reports required.



## 19.7.2 Arterial Roads

### 19.7.2.1 Shellard Lane

- .1 Shellard Lane bisects the Secondary Plan area. It will become part of a key component of the transit system for the area, linking it to the rest of the City of Brantford. The City supports the ultimate function and design for this road, between Conklin Road and the southwest edge of the Secondary Plan Area, as an urban arterial and intends that development adjoining Shellard Lane should be approved on this basis and in accordance with the requirements identified in Table 1.
- .2 The City will pursue road designs for Shellard Lane that balance functional requirements with the objectives of this Secondary Plan in regard to roads as a significant element of the public realm, and in accordance with the recommendations of the Neighbourhood Design Plan.
- .3 No development shall be permitted individual direct access to Shellard Lane.

## 19.7.3 Collector Roads

- .1 The proposed system of Major and Minor Collector Roads is shown on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-3 – Transportation Plan**. The design requirements for the Collector Roads are identified in Table 1, and may be further refined through the Neighbourhood Design Plan and/or the Functional Servicing Study. Routes will be confirmed through the approval of Neighbourhood Design Plans and implemented through subsequent development approvals.
- .2 Conklin Road is designated as a Major Collector Road in the Official Plan and provides the eastern boundary for the Secondary Plan area south of Shellard Lane. All development within the Secondary Plan Area that directly abuts Conklin Road shall provide appropriate buffering, and shall consider the aesthetic function of the corridor. No development shall be permitted individual direct access to Conklin Road.

## 19.7.4 Local Roads

- .1 The Local Road pattern is not identified on any of the statutory schedules to this Secondary Plan. The Demonstration Plan included in Appendix V-A identifies a Local Road Pattern. This pattern is conceptual only, and has no formal status, other than it demonstrates the key principles of permeability



and inter-connectivity. Changes to the identified Local Road Pattern shall not require any further Amendment to this Secondary Plan, provided that the principles of permeability and inter-connectivity are achieved to the satisfaction of the City.

- .2 The establishment of Green Streets may be permitted throughout the Secondary Plan Area.
- .3 The design requirements for Local Roads are identified in Table 1 and will be confirmed through the approval of Neighbourhood Design Plans and implemented through subsequent development approvals.

#### **19.7.5 Lanes**

- .1 A secondary and complementary system of public Lanes may be developed anywhere within the Secondary Plan Area.
- .2 Functional and design standards for Lanes are established in Table 1. Detailed designs for Lanes shall be established in the approval of Community Design Plans and subsequent development approvals.
- .3 Public utilities may be located within public Lanes subject to functional and design standards established by the City.
- .4 Lanes shall be planned to provide for through traffic movements.
- .5 A Financial Impact Report shall be prepared by proponents of development, outlining the ways in which the construction of Lanes will impact City capital and operating costs.

#### **19.7.6 Public Transit**

##### **19.7.6.1 General**

- .1 The City will work with transit services to develop a system of transit service for the Secondary Plan Area that is related to Shellard Lane and the Major Collector Road network.
- .2 Transit services will be implemented on a phased basis, based on acceptable operational and financial criteria.
- .3 It is intended to develop a series of transit routes that serve and link the Neighbourhood Centres and the Village Centre. There will be a transit stop at the centre of each Neighbourhood located so as to be within 400 metres of most



households within a neighbourhood.

#### **19.7.6.2 Transit-Supportive Development**

- .1 To facilitate the development of a transit supportive urban structure, the following measures shall be reflected in development proposals, including the subdivision of land:
  - .1 provision of a local road pattern and related pedestrian routes that provide for direct pedestrian access to transit routes and stops;
  - .2 provision for transit stops and incorporation of bus bays where appropriate into road design requirements; and,
  - .3 transit waiting areas incorporated into buildings located adjacent to transit stops.

#### **19.7.7 Pedestrian and Bicycle Path System**

- .1 The Secondary Plan Area shall have pedestrian and bicycle path systems which serve the entire Community and which are linked with other pathway systems in the City. The pathway systems shall be developed in accordance with the findings and recommendations of the Neighbourhood Design Plans, having regard for the conceptual trails network identified in the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).

#### **19.7.8 Parking**

- .1 It is intended that on-street parking will be encouraged at appropriate locations on all roads, with the exception of Shellard Lane and Conklin Road, in order to assist in calming traffic movement and thereby enhancing pedestrian safety.
- .2 The City will explore opportunities for shared parking facilities within the Neighbourhood Centre and Village Centre designations.
- .3 Subject to the findings and recommendations of the Functional Servicing Studies, on-street parking may be approved at certain locations for specified times to satisfy a portion of the parking requirements of adjacent non-residential development.
- .4 Off-street parking for all uses shall be required and shall be provided on-site.



- .5 Parking shall be required in accordance with the provisions of the implementing zoning bylaw.
- .6 Parking facilities shall have regard for the Urban Design and Amenity Policies of Section 6.0 of this Secondary Plan and have regard for the companion Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).

#### **19.7.9 Traffic Calming**

- .1 Through the required Functional Servicing Plan for Transportation design consideration shall be provided to incorporate techniques for traffic calming, subject to the approval of the City.

#### **19.7.10 Traffic Roundabouts**

- .1 Traffic roundabouts or circles may be incorporated into neighbourhood designs to calm traffic and to direct traffic flow without necessarily requiring stop signs at intersections. Traffic roundabouts or circles will be subject to the following policies:
  - .1 that consideration be given to significant landscape features within the traffic roundabout or circle to contribute to character of the neighbourhood;
  - .2 that the design of a traffic roundabout or circle will ensure ease of snow removal and maintenance;
  - .3 that the design of a traffic roundabout or circle will allow for the safe movement of pedestrians, cyclists and motor vehicles through the intersection; and
  - .4 the design of the traffic roundabout or circle shall be in accordance with appropriate engineering standards to the satisfaction of the City.

### **19.8 Services & Utilities**

#### **19.8.1 General**

- .1 All new development within the Secondary Plan Area will be on the basis of full municipal services.
- .2 Prior to any site grading or other development, the applicant shall be required to submit, to the satisfaction of the City and any other agency having jurisdiction, an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan, in accordance with the Design Requirements included as Appendix V-C to this Secondary Plan.



### 19.8.2 Sanitary Sewers

- .1 This Secondary Plan area will be serviced by sanitary sewers extended from the City of Brantford Sewage System. The assignment of sewage flow and treatment capacity to the subject lands will be determined by the City. Construction of required infrastructure will be based on detailed Functional Servicing Plans, prepared on the basis of the entire Secondary Plan Area, or, alternatively, on the basis of the individual Neighbourhood's identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**, to be approved by the City in consultation with agencies having jurisdiction.
- .2 All Functional Serving Plans shall have regard for the overall Master Servicing Study that has been prepared in conjunction with this Secondary Plan.
- .3 Development applications shall have appropriate regard to ensure that sanitary sewers are located and sized to provide sufficient capacity for the potential development of Area "C"/Modified Policy Area 7.

### 19.8.3 Water Supply

- .1 A piped municipal water supply will be provided from the Brantford Water Supply System. The assignment of a water supply to the subject lands will be determined by the City. Construction of required infrastructure will be based on detailed Functional Servicing Plans, prepared on the basis of the entire Secondary Plan Area, or, alternatively, on the basis of the individual Neighbourhood's identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – West of Conklin Secondary Plan**: Community Structure, to be approved by the City in consultation with agencies having jurisdiction.
- .2 All Functional Serving Plans shall have regard for the overall Master Servicing Study that has been prepared in conjunction with this Secondary Plan.
- .3 Development applications shall have appropriate regard to ensure that water supply services are located and sized to provide sufficient capacity for the potential development of Area "C"/ Modified Policy Area 7.



#### 19.8.4 Stormwater Management

- .1 In considering options for storm water management the following principles will apply:
  - .1 storm water will be considered as a resource, not a waste product;
  - .2 storm water facilities will be designed to maintain environmental and ecological integrity, and to provide a net benefit to the environment;
  - .3 where existing streams are within the Environmental Protection designation, they are to be retained in open channels in accordance with natural channel design principles; and,
  - .4 storm water facilities will be designed to provide community amenities.
- .2 In accordance with established policy, the storm water drainage system will be designed to the satisfaction of the City, in consultation with any agency having jurisdiction.
- .3 A Storm Water Management and Environmental Strategy must be approved by the City in consultation with the Conservation Authority and any other agency having jurisdiction prior to any draft plan of subdivision or site plan approvals. The required Storm Water Management and Environmental Strategy shall consider the Master Storm Water Management Plan that has been prepared in conjunction with this Secondary Plan, and any findings of required Environmental Impact Assessments.
- .4 The treatment of storm water in relation to watercourses within the Secondary Plan Area shall be identified within the Storm Water Management and Environmental Strategy and shall be approved by the City, in consultation with any agency having jurisdiction.
- .5 Storm water facilities shall be constructed with regard for provisions noted in the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A).



### **19.8.5 Utilities and Telecommunications**

- .1 All local power and telecommunications/communications lines and other cable services serving the Secondary Plan Area shall be located underground and be grouped into a single utility conduit, where feasible. For larger equipment, the City shall ensure that appropriate locations are identified and/or cluster sites have been determined which take into consideration the location requirements for larger infrastructure within public rights of way, as well as easements on private property.
- .2 Utility and telecommunications/communications services shall be permitted in all land use designations.
- .3 The City will support the provision of electronic communications technology involving high capacity fibre optics to enhance telecommunications services within the Secondary Plan Area.

## **19.9 Implementation**

### **19.9.1 General**

- .1 This Secondary Plan shall be implemented in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act, other applicable Provincial legislation, and the provisions of the City of Brantford Official Plan and this Secondary Plan.
- .2 Approval of development applications shall be conditional upon commitments from the appropriate authorities and the proponents of development to the timing and funding of the required road and transportation facilities. These works shall be provided for in the subdivision and site plan agreements. Phasing of the development, based on the completion of the external road works, may be required by the City of Brantford.
- .3 Approval of development applications shall also be conditional upon commitments from the appropriate authorities and the proponents of development to the timing and funding of required storm water management, sanitary sewer and water supply facilities. These works shall be provided for in subdivision and site plan agreements. Phasing of development, based on the completion of external sewer and water services, may be implemented if required by the City of Brantford.



- .4 The City of Brantford shall control signage within the Secondary Plan Area through the provisions of the Sign Bylaw and the Neighbourhood Design Plan.
- .5 The City of Brantford shall encourage development within the Secondary Plan Area that is consistent with programs intended to reduce the consumption of energy and water and to promote waste reduction.
- .6 In order to mitigate potential negative impacts on the introduction of laneways, green streets or reduced rights-of-way, in accordance with Section 19.7.7.7, additional study and consultation with City Engineering staff shall be required prior to final approval of proposed development which includes these three proposed uses. Items to be included in the additional study shall contain, but is not limited to, the potential impacts to municipal capital and operational costs, potential impacts to municipal servicing, and possible implications to operational procedures. Final approval of these three proposed uses is subject to City Engineering consultation and final Council approval.

#### **19.9.2 Financial Agreements**

- .1 Prior to the approval of any development, the City of Brantford shall be satisfied as to the availability of water supply and sewer capacity to accommodate the said development. This may require front-end or accelerated payment agreements and limitations to be placed on development.
- .2 Prior to the registration of any development, the owner shall have entered into a Servicing Agreement, including any front-end requirements or accelerated payments, with the City of Brantford that will identify the capital expenditures associated with servicing the lands.
- .3 Prior to any development approvals, an assessment of infrastructure cost requirements to accommodate the Secondary Plan development including development phasing the timing of infrastructure emplacement, and methods of financing including developer front-end or accelerated payment agreements shall be addressed in conjunction with other proponent's developments in the Secondary Plan Area to the satisfaction of the Municipality.



### **19.9.3 Subdivision and Consent**

#### **19.9.3.1 Plans of Subdivision**

- .1 Plans of subdivision shall only be recommended for approval, which are consistent with the requirements established in:
  - .1 the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan (Appendix V-C);
  - .2 the Master Servicing Plan and more detailed Functional Servicing Plans;
  - .3 the Neighbourhood Design Plan;
  - .4 the Storm Water Management and Environmental Strategy; and,
  - .5 any pertinent legal agreements.

#### **19.9.3.2 Consents**

- .1 Subdivision of land shall generally take place by plan of subdivision. Consents may be permitted in accordance with City of Brantford Official Plan, the applicable provisions of this Secondary Plan and the implementing zoning bylaw.

### **19.9.4 Zoning**

#### **19.9.4.1 Zoning Bylaw**

- .1 Appropriate zoning regulations and standards shall be prepared to conform with and implement the provisions of this Secondary Plan. Zoning standards shall reflect the findings and recommendations of the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A) and the Neighbourhood Design Plan. Zoning shall relate to a plan of subdivision or site plan that is consistent with an approved Neighbourhood Design Plan.
- .2 The implementing Zoning Bylaw for any development application may establish minimum density standards to ensure that density targets for each neighbourhood are achieved.



### **19.9.4.2 Holding Zones**

- .1 The lands within the area of this Secondary Plan may be zoned with an 'H' holding symbol, preceding the use designation in accordance with the City of Brantford Official Plan.
- .2 A holding symbol may be applied to part or all of the lands within the Secondary Plan Area, to ensure that adequate infrastructure is available to serve such lands, or for any other purposes deemed necessary by the City, in accordance with the Planning Act.
- .3 No development shall occur on any lands within the area zoned with an (H) holding symbol until the (H) holding symbol has been removed by an amendment to the bylaw.

### **19.9.5 Site Plan Control**

- .1 All lands, including lands in public ownership, within the Secondary Plan Area, shall be subject to the provisions of the Planning Act and the City of Brantford Official Plan in regard to site plan control.

### **19.9.6 Required Studies**

#### **19.9.6.1 General**

- .1 This Secondary Plan identifies the following studies, plans, and assessments that may need to be completed to the satisfaction of the City of Brantford and any agency have jurisdiction, prior to the approval of development applications within parts of, or the entire, Secondary Plan Area. The City shall determine the need for their studies, plans and assessments, and when in the approvals process they may be required on an application-by-application basis:
  - .1 Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan (Appendix V-C);
  - .2 Neighbourhood Design Plans;
  - .3 Storm Water Management and Environmental Strategies;
  - .4 Functional Servicing Plans;
  - .5 Parking Study;



- .6 Environmental Impact Assessments;
  - .7 Archaeological Surveys/Assessments;
  - .8 Tree Preservation Plans;
  - .9 Noise Assessment(s); and,
  - .10 Financial Impact Report.
- .2 Additional study requirements, as identified in the Official Plan, may be identified by the City as development within the Secondary Plan Area proceeds.

#### 19.9.6.2 Neighbourhood Design Plans

- .1 Prior to the approval of any development within the Secondary Plan Area, Neighbourhood Design Plans for the three neighbourhoods identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Community Structure** shall be prepared by proponents of development to the satisfaction of the City of Brantford, in consultation with any agency having jurisdiction. The boundaries for the Neighbourhood Design Plans shall coincide with the boundaries of the Neighbourhoods established on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure**.

A Neighbourhood Design Plan shall be used to confirm and control the implementation of the intended pattern of development within a Neighbourhood. A Neighbourhood Design Plan shall include:

- .1 **Urban Design:**
- .1 the proposed pattern of roads and development blocks;
  - .2 the proposed network of roads, transit, pedestrian and bicycle routes;
  - .3 a Comprehensive Streetscape Plan, that articulates specific urban design issues to be addressed in implementing zoning bylaws, plan(s) of subdivision or site plan approvals;
  - .4 the location of specific features, sites and residential lots within the Neighbourhood such as corner lots and T-intersections that require



- specific lot and building placement, orientation and architectural features;
- .5 the proposed pattern of land use including the composition distribution of residential density and the proposed scale of non-residential areas;
- .6 an Open Space Master Plan, that identifies the location and configuration of uses such as school sites, parks, trails, open space buffers, environmental and cultural heritage features;
- .7 where applicable, the anticipated boundaries of implementing plans of subdivision; and,
- .8 in the case of a school site or a place of worship site, the proposed pattern of alternate land use, in the event that the site is not required for the school or place of worship use.

## **.2 Urban Design and Architectural Guidelines:**

- .1 all development within each Neighbourhood shall be subject to urban design and architectural guidelines arising from the findings and recommendations of the Neighbourhood Design Plan;
- .2 provision for compliance with the guidelines shall be incorporated into all subdivision, site plan or similar development agreements;
- .3 a program to ensure compliance with the guidelines shall be established among the landowners group and the City and shall ensure integration with other required planning approvals. Confirmation of compliance with the guidelines shall be required prior to the issuance of building permits; and,
- .4 such guidelines may be reviewed and amended from time to time provided that any amendments shall conform with the principles and policies of this Secondary Plan and the Demonstration and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A) and shall be prepared to the



satisfaction of the City of Brantford.

- .2 The required Neighbourhood Design Plan for each of the three Neighbourhoods identified on **West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Schedule 7-1 – Community Structure** is to include the distribution of housing by house form and will identify, in detail, the composition and distribution of the anticipated housing stock and its relationship to the achievement of the Provincial requirement to achieve a minimum gross density of 50 residents and/or jobs per hectare. It is required that each neighbourhood include low and medium density house forms.

#### **19.9.7 Land Dedication and Acquisition**

- .1 The policies for land dedication and acquisition of the City of Brantford Official Plan shall apply.

#### **19.9.8 Public Sector Agreement to Comply**

- .1 It is the intent of this Secondary Plan to achieve the agreement of all public agencies involved in any aspect of development in the Secondary Plan Area, to comply with the policies of this Secondary Plan, the regulations in the Zoning Bylaw, and to have regard for the Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines (Appendix V-A) in order to achieve the goal, objectives, principles and policies of this Secondary Plan.”



**20. INTERPRETATION**

OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09  
OPA #84  
July 14/00

**20.1 General**

20.1.1 The Official Plan is comprised of Sections 6 to 20 and **Schedules 1-1 to 7-4** inclusive.

OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09  
OPA #49  
June 1/95

OPA #84  
July 14/00

20.1.2 This Official Plan is intended to serve as a guideline for the planning and development of the City, and should be interpreted on that basis.

20.1.3 All figures in this Plan are approximate only and any minor variances from these figures will not require an amendment as long as the intent of this Official Plan is maintained.

20.1.4 An amendment to the Official Plan shall be required where a policy, designation, schedule or principle is added, deleted or significantly altered.

20.1.5 The boundaries of the land use designations on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** and **Schedule 1-2 Growth Management Plan** and the delineations on **Schedule 2 - Modified Policy Areas**, **Schedule 3-1 - Natural Heritage: Environmental Areas**, **Schedule 3-2 - Natural Heritage: Mineral Resources**, **Schedule 3-3 - Natural Heritage: Wetland Areas**, **Schedule 4-1 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain**, **Schedule 4-2 - Community Health and Safety: Floodplain Breach Zone**, **Schedule 4-3 - Community Health and Safety: Steep Slope Erosion Hazard**, **Schedule 4-4 - Community Health and Safety: Slope Setback**, **Schedule 4-5 - Community Health and Safety: Abandoned Landfill Sites**, **Schedule 7-1 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Community Structure**, **Schedule 7-2 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Land Use Plan**, **Schedule 7-3 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Transportation Plan**; and **Schedule 7-4 - West of Conklin Secondary Plan: Greenlands Plan** shall be considered approximate, except where they coincide with roads, railways, lot and concession lines, or other definitive features. Where the general intent of this Official Plan is maintained, minor boundary adjustments will not require an amendment.

Min. Mod. #1  
Nov. 4/87

OPA #49  
June 1/95

OPA #75  
May 6/99

OPA #84  
July 14/00

OPA #160  
Nov. 6/09

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

20.1.6 Where the land use designations shown on **Schedule 1-1 - Land Use Plan** are delineated by symbols, their extent and location in specific development applications may be considered flexibly in accordance with the other policies and the general intent of this Official Plan, and will not require an amendment.

20.1.7 **Schedule 5-1 - Transportation: Transportation Plan** are diagrammatic, and realignments which maintain the general intent of this Official Plan will be permitted without an amendment.

OPA #84  
July 14/00  
OPA #192  
Mar 29/16



permitted without an amendment.

## **20.2 Definitions**

OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

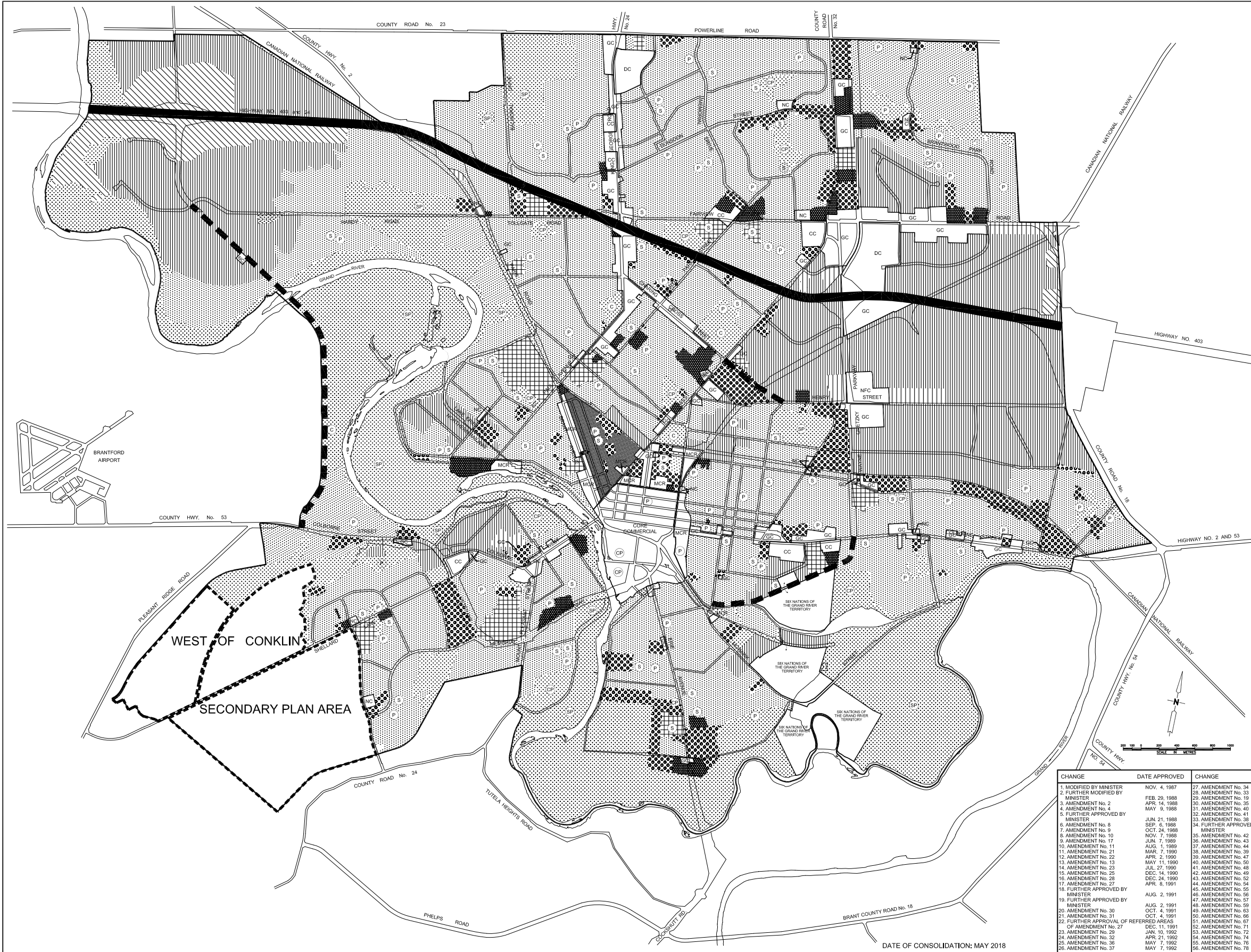
20.2.1 For the purposes of this Official Plan, the following definitions will apply:

- .1 Adult entertainment parlour means any premises in which or in part of which, in pursuance of a trade, calling, business or occupation: a live performance of an adult nature is provided.
- .2 Affordable housing means housing which would have a market price or rent that would be affordable to those households within the lowest 35 percent of the income distribution (35th percentile) for Brant/Brantford. Housing that is affordable to households of low and moderate income is defined as follows:  
  
Affordable rental housing is housing where monthly rental costs (excluding utilities) do not exceed 30 percent of a tenant's gross monthly household income.  
  
Affordable ownership housing is housing where monthly housing expenses (including mortgage principle, interest and property tax but excluding insurance or utilities expenses) do not exceed 30 percent of gross monthly household income.
- .3 Body Rub Parlour means any premises or part thereof where a body rub is performed, offered or solicited in pursuance of a trade, calling, business or occupation, but does not include any premises or part thereof where the body rubs performed are for the purpose of medical or therapeutic treatment and are performed by persons otherwise duly qualified, licensed or registered so to do under the laws of the Province of Ontario.
- .4 "City", "City of Brantford", or "Brantford" means that geographical area which represents the City of Brantford;
- .5 "Council" means the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brantford;
- .6 "Department Store" means a large retail store which offers a wide selection of merchandise in departments, including apparel, housewares, domestic goods, drugs, hardware, automotive supplies, sporting goods, toys, furniture and appliances, and is intended to refer to facilities such as major department stores as Eaton's, Simpson's, The Bay and Sears, and junior department stores such as K-Mart, Towers, Woolco and Zellers;
- .7 "Gross Leasable Floor Area" means the total floor area occupied by a commercial facility for its exclusive use, including basements, mezzanines, upper storey areas and integral storage areas but not including public or common areas such as



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| .8     | "Gross Residential Hectare" means the area of land measured in hectares utilized for residential dwelling units including: the lot area; local residential roads; local parks, including walk-ways and bicycle ways; public and separate elementary schools; churches and other institutions such as daycare centres and nursing homes; convenience commercial facilities; and local municipal facilities such as fire halls. The area excludes Major Collector, Minor Arterial and Major Arterial Roads and required widenings thereto, where identified, and Hazard Lands. | OPA #59<br>Nov. 19/97      |
| .9     | Infrastructure" means physical structure (facilities and corridors) that form the foundation for development. Infrastructure includes: sewage and water systems, septage treatment systems, waste management systems, electric power generation and transmission, communication/ tele-communications, transit and transportation corridors and facilities, oil and gas pipelines and associated facilities.  |                            |
| .10    | "Net Residential Hectare" means that portion of the lands defined by Section 20.2.1.5 utilized for residential dwelling units, including the lot area;   | OPA #84<br>July 14/00      |
| .11    | "Official Plan" or "Plan" means the Official Plan of the City of Brantford;  |                            |
| .12    | Section deleted by Modification.   | Min. Mod. #48<br>Aug. 2/91 |
| .13    | Section deleted by Modification.   | Min. Mod. #48<br>Aug. 2/91 |
| .14    | "Shopping Centre" means a group of commercial establishments, primarily retail in nature, designed and functioning as a unit with common parking facilities and access points;   |                            |
| .15    | "Supermarket" means a complete departmentalized food store large enough to meet the consumer's weekly food shopping needs as well as incidental convenience or service needs.  |                            |
| .16    | "Utility(ies)" means all public and/or private utilities (including but not exclusive of CATV, Hydro, Gas, Communications/ Telecommunications, Canada Post, etc.) or any similar works or systems necessary to the public interest.  | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08      |
| .17    | Wayside pits or quarries" means a temporary pit or quarry opened and used by a public road authority solely for the purpose of a particular project or contract of road construction and not located on the road right-of-way.   | OPA #125<br>Dec. 3/08      |
| 20.2.2 | Terms used in this Plan but which are not defined in this Section, shall be the same meaning as that provided in the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005 and the Provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe.  | Min. Mod. #23<br>Dec. 3/08 |





# SCHEDULE 1-1 LAND USE PLAN

## LEGEND

### RESIDENTIAL AREA

- LOW DENSITY
- HIGH DENSITY
- MEDIUM DENSITY

### INDUSTRIAL AREA

- GENERAL
- BUSINESS PARK
- MIXED INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL

### COMMERCIAL AREA

- CORE CORE COMMERCIAL
- CC COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMERCIAL
- GC GENERAL COMMERCIAL
- MCR MIXED COMMERCIAL-RESIDENTIAL
- DC DISTRICT CENTRE COMMERCIAL
- NC NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE COMMERCIAL
- NFC NEW FORMAT COMMERCIAL

### MAJOR INSTITUTIONAL



### MAJOR OPEN SPACE



### SYMBOLS

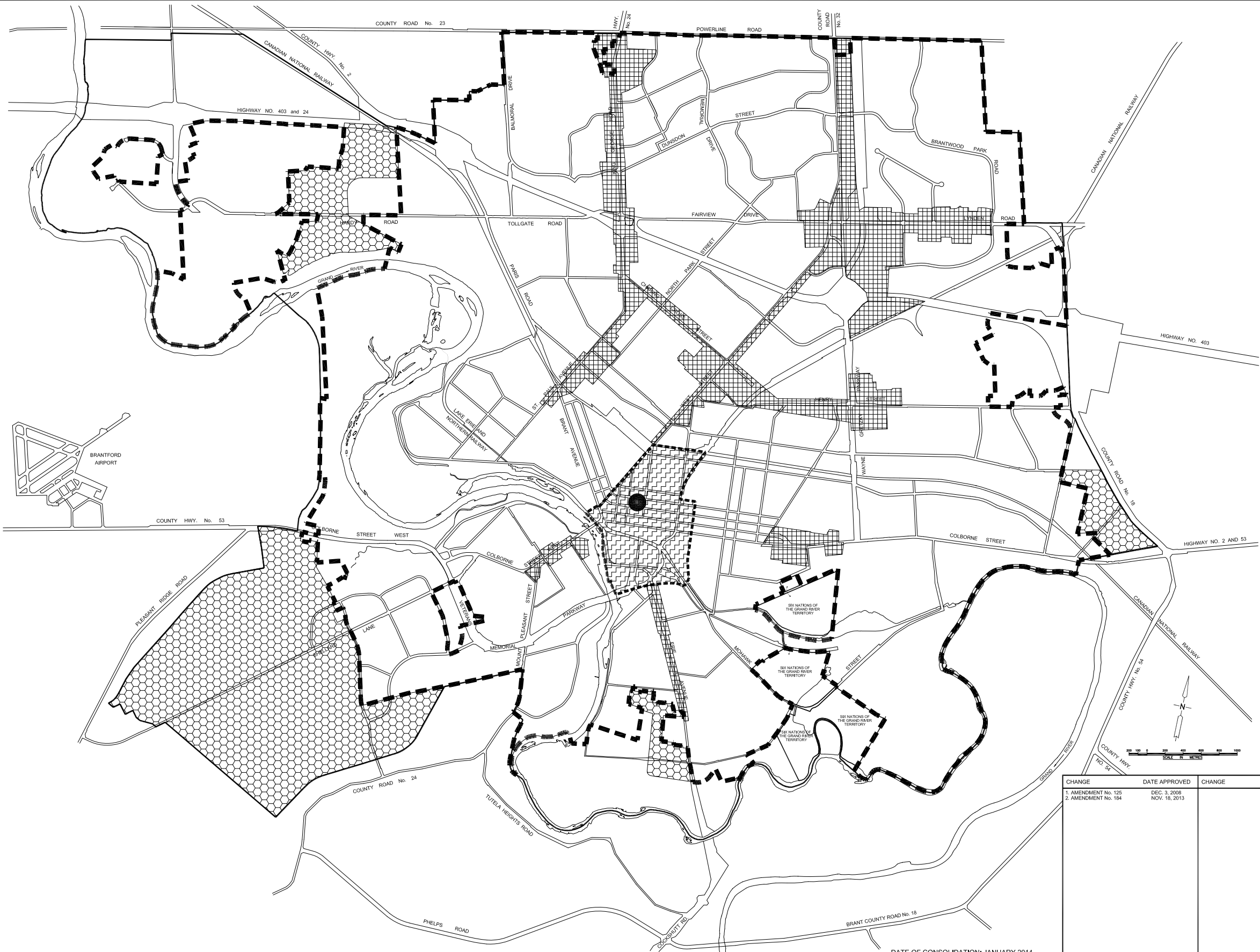
- C CEMETERY
- PROVINCIAL HIGHWAY
- SP SPECIALIZED PARK & OPEN SPACE
- CP COMMUNITY PARK & OPEN SPACE
- S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- LONG TERM CORRIDOR PROTECTION
- P NEIGHBOURHOOD PARK & OPEN SPACE

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1. MODIFIED BY MINISTER	NOV. 4, 1987	27. AMENDMENT No. 34	MAY 8, 1992	57. AMENDMENT No. 81	OCT. 15, 1999	87. AMENDMENT No. 153	DEC. 17, 2008
2. FURTHER MODIFIED BY MINISTER	FEB. 29, 1988	28. AMENDMENT No. 33	JUN. 4, 1992	58. AMENDMENT No. 82	JAN. 14, 2000	88. AMENDMENT No. 154	DEC. 17, 2008
3. AMENDMENT No. 2	APR. 14, 1988	29. AMENDMENT No. 35	JUN. 10, 1992	59. AMENDMENT No. 83	MAR. 31, 1999	89. AMENDMENT No. 155	DEC. 17, 2008
4. AMENDMENT No. 4	MAY 9, 1988	30. AMENDMENT No. 35	JUN. 19, 1992	60. AMENDMENT No. 84	JULY 14, 2000	90. AMENDMENT No. 157	MAY 28, 2009
5. FURTHER APPROVED BY MINISTER	JUN. 21, 1988	31. AMENDMENT No. 40	AUG. 28, 1992	61. AMENDMENT No. 86	JAN. 18, 2001	91. AMENDMENT No. 158	JUNE 19, 2009
6. AMENDMENT No. 8	SEP. 6, 1988	32. AMENDMENT No. 41	SEP. 25, 1992	62. AMENDMENT No. 87	JUNE 11, 2001	92. AMENDMENT No. 159	JUNE 19, 2009
7. AMENDMENT No. 9	OCT. 24, 1988	33. AMENDMENT No. 38	JAN. 12, 1993	63. AMENDMENT No. 88	AUG. 24, 2001	93. AMENDMENT No. 162	FEB. 19, 2010
8. AMENDMENT No. 10	NOV. 7, 1988	34. FURTHER APPROVED BY MINISTER	FEB. 1, 1993	64. AMENDMENT No. 91	JAN. 10, 2002	94. AMENDMENT No. 163	MAR. 6, 2010
9. AMENDMENT No. 17	JUN. 7, 1989	35. AMENDMENT No. 42	FEB. 16, 1993	65. AMENDMENT No. 92	MAY 1, 2002	95. AMENDMENT No. 164	MAR. 25, 2010
10. AMENDMENT No. 11	AUG. 1, 1989	36. AMENDMENT No. 43	JUN. 4, 1993	66. AMENDMENT No. 94	JUNE 7, 2002	96. AMENDMENT No. 165	SEPT. 24, 2010
11. AMENDMENT No. 21	MAR. 7, 1990	37. AMENDMENT No. 44	JUN. 4, 1993	67. AMENDMENT No. 95	JUNE 7, 2002	97. AMENDMENT No. 168	JULY 7, 2011
12. AMENDMENT No. 22	APR. 2, 1990	38. AMENDMENT No. 39	OCT. 8, 1993	68. AMENDMENT No. 96	JUNE 7, 2002	98. AMENDMENT No. 170	SEPT. 12, 2011
13. AMENDMENT No. 13	MAY 11, 1990	39. AMENDMENT No. 47	DEC. 2, 1993	69. AMENDMENT No. 101	APR. 2, 2003	99. AMENDMENT No. 171	NOV. 28, 2011
14. AMENDMENT No. 23	JUL. 27, 1990	40. AMENDMENT No. 49	DEC. 12, 1994	70. AMENDMENT No. 104	JAN. 8, 2004	100. AMENDMENT No. 175	APRIL 13, 2012
15. AMENDMENT No. 25	DEC. 14, 1990	41. AMENDMENT No. 49	MAY 5, 1995	71. AMENDMENT No. 106	JULY 9, 2004	102. AMENDMENT No. 181	JULY 24, 2013
16. AMENDMENT No. 28	DEC. 24, 1990	42. AMENDMENT No. 50	JUN. 1, 1995	72. AMENDMENT No. 109	OCT. 18, 2004	103. AMENDMENT No. 182	JULY 24, 2013
17. AMENDMENT No. 27	APR. 8, 1991	43. AMENDMENT No. 52	SEP. 1, 1995	73. AMENDMENT No. 110	OCT. 18, 2004	104. AMENDMENT No. 185	MAY 28, 2014
18. FURTHER APPROVED BY MINISTER	AUG. 2, 1991	44. AMENDMENT No. 54	JAN. 23, 1996	74. AMENDMENT No. 111	NOV. 8, 2004	105. AMENDMENT No. 186	JULY 21, 2014
19. FURTHER APPROVED BY MINISTER	AUG. 2, 1991	45. AMENDMENT No. 55	JUL. 3, 1996	75. AMENDMENT No. 113	MAR. 21, 2005	106. AMENDMENT No. 183	OCT. 21, 2013
20. AMENDMENT No. 30	OCT. 4, 1991	46. AMENDMENT No. 56	OCT. 28, 1996	76. AMENDMENT No. 107	APR. 11, 2005	107. AMENDMENT No. 187	SEPT. 26, 2014
21. AMENDMENT No. 31	OCT. 4, 1991	47. AMENDMENT No. 57	MAR. 11, 1997	77. AMENDMENT No. 114	APR. 11, 2005	108. AMENDMENT No. 188	OCT. 10, 2014
22. FURTHER APPROVAL OF REFERRED AREAS	DEC. 11, 1991	48. AMENDMENT No. 59	JAN. 12, 1998	78. AMENDMENT No. 115	APR. 11, 2005	109. AMENDMENT No. 190	JAN. 28, 2015
23. AMENDMENT No. 27	JUN. 10, 1992	49. AMENDMENT No. 63	APR. 2, 1998	79. AMENDMENT No. 117	JUN. 20, 2005	110. AMENDMENT No. 193	MAY 24, 2016
24. AMENDMENT No. 32	APR. 21, 1992	50. AMENDMENT No. 66	MAY 6, 1999	80. AMENDMENT No. 119	OCT. 17, 2005	111. AMENDMENT No. 197	SEPT. 27, 2016
25. AMENDMENT No. 36	MAY 7, 1992	51. AMENDMENT No. 67	SEP. 8, 1999	81. AMENDMENT No. 121	MAR. 27, 2006	112. AMENDMENT No. 199	JUNE 27, 2017
26. AMENDMENT No. 37	MAY 7, 1992	52. AMENDMENT No. 71	APR. 22, 1999	82. AMENDMENT No. 131	FEB. 5, 2007	113. AMENDMENT No. 203	OCT. 24, 2017
		53. AMENDMENT No. 72	MAY 6, 1999	83. AMENDMENT No. 142	APR. 7, 2008	114. AMENDMENT No. 204	JAN. 30, 2018
		54. AMENDMENT No. 74	MAY 27, 1999	84. AMENDMENT No. 148	MAY 20, 2008		
		55. AMENDMENT No. 76	SEP. 10, 1999	85. AMENDMENT No. 149	JUNE 9, 2008		
		56. AMENDMENT No. 78		86. AMENDMENT No. 152	DEC. 3, 2008		





# SCHEDULE 1-2 GROWTH MANAGEMENT PLAN

## LEGEND

- [Dashed Line] BUILT AREA
- [Cross-hatch] URBAN GROWTH CENTRE
- [Hexagonal] GREENFIELD AREAS
- [Grid] INTENSIFICATION CORRIDOR
- [Black Circle] MAJOR TRANSIT STATION

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1. AMENDMENT No. 125 2. AMENDMENT No. 184	DEC. 3, 2008 NOV. 18, 2013						



SCHEDULE 2  
MODIFIED POLICY AREAS

LEGEND

- MODIFIED POLICY AREA
- NUMBER

FOR EACH MODIFIED POLICY AREA SHOWN ON SCHEDULE 2 THERE IS A CORRESPONDING TEXT IN THE OFFICIAL PLAN CONTAINING POLICY STATEMENTS THAT PERTAIN SPECIFICALLY TO THAT AREA. INCLUDED IN THE TABLE OF CONTENTS IS THE KEY TO MODIFIED POLICY AREA POLICY STATEMENTS WHICH INDICATES THE OFFICIAL PLAN SECTION WHERE THE POLICIES FOR EACH MODIFIED POLICY AREA MAY BE FOUND.

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2. AMENDMENT No. 1	JAN 18, 1988	30. AMENDMENT No. 49	JUN 1, 1995	61. AMENDMENT No. 112	NOV. 8, 2004	92. AMENDMENT No. 164	MAR 25, 2010
3. AMENDMENT No. 2	JAN 19, 1996	31. AMENDMENT No. 53	JAN 19, 1996	62. AMENDMENT No. 113	MAR 21, 2005	93. AMENDMENT No. 167	MAY 8, 2011
4. AMENDMENT No. 3	APR 14, 1988	32. AMENDMENT No. 57	MAR 11, 1997	63. AMENDMENT No. 107	APR 11, 2005	94. AMENDMENT No. 171	NOV 29, 2011
5. MODIFICATION No. 39	JUN 21, 1988	33. AMENDMENT No. 58	JUN 13, 1997	64. AMENDMENT No. 116	JUNE 20, 2005	95. AMENDMENT No. 173	JAN 5, 2012
6. FURTHER APPROVED BY MINISTER		34. AMENDMENT No. 59	NOV 15, 1997	65. AMENDMENT No. 118	SEP 29, 2005	96. AMENDMENT No. 174	JAN 20, 2012
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13. AMENDMENT No. 18	AUG 1, 1989	41. AMENDMENT No. 69	APR 22, 1998	72. AMENDMENT No. 136 (OMB)	APR 13, 2007	103. AMENDMENT No. 189	OCT 30, 2014
14. AMENDMENT No. 13	SEP 18, 1989	42. AMENDMENT No. 70	AUG 18, 1998	73. AMENDMENT No. 129	AUG 13, 2007	104. AMENDMENT No. 190	JAN 28, 2015
15. AMENDMENT No. 25	MAY 11, 1990	43. AMENDMENT No. 73	MAY 6, 1999	74. AMENDMENT No. 130	AUG 13, 2007	105. AMENDMENT No. 193	MAY 24, 2016
16. AMENDMENT No. 27	DEC 14, 1990	44. AMENDMENT No. 77	NOV 12, 2007	75. AMENDMENT No. 194	NOV 12, 2007	106. AMENDMENT No. 194	MAY 24, 2016
17. AMENDMENT No. 26	APR 8, 1991	45. AMENDMENT No. 79	OCT 15, 1999	76. AMENDMENT No. 133	NOV 12, 2007	107. AMENDMENT No. 195	JUNE 28, 2016
18. FURTHER APPROVED BY MINISTER		46. AMENDMENT No. 83	MAR 25, 2000	77. AMENDMENT No. 134	NOV 12, 2007	108. AMENDMENT No. 198	NOV 22, 2016
19. FURTHER APPROVAL OF REFERRED AREA TO AMENDMENT No. 27	AUG 2, 1991	47. AMENDMENT No. 84	JULY 14, 2000	78. AMENDMENT No. 135	NOV 12, 2007	109. AMENDMENT No. 199	JUNE 27, 2017
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21. AMENDMENT No. 32	JAN 3, 2001	49. AMENDMENT No. 90	JAN 3, 2001	80. AMENDMENT No. 138	MAR 3, 2008		
22. AMENDMENT No. 37	MAY 1, 2002	50. AMENDMENT No. 92	MAY 1, 2002	81. AMENDMENT No. 144	MAY 20, 2008		
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24. AMENDMENT No. 38	JUN 7, 1992	52. AMENDMENT No. 95	JUNE 7, 2002	83. AMENDMENT No. 147	APR 28, 2008		
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		57. AMENDMENT No. 102	MAY 11, 2004	88. AMENDMENT No. 156	JAN 8, 2009		
		58. AMENDMENT No. 105	AUG 17, 2004	89. AMENDMENT No. 161	NOV 6, 2009		
		59. AMENDMENT No. 108		90. AMENDMENT No. 162	FEB 19, 2010		




DATE OF CONSOLIDATION: MAY 2018





# SCHEDULE 3-1 NATURAL HERITAGE: ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS

## LEGEND

-  ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION POLICY AREA
-  ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL POLICY AREA
-  AREA IN WHICH HYDROGEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION REQUIRED

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
DATE OF CONSOLIDATION: AUGUST, 2011





# SCHEDULE 3-2 NATURAL HERITAGE: MINERAL RESOURCES

## LEGEND

-  MINERAL RESOURCE AREA
-  LICENSED PITS AND QUARRIES

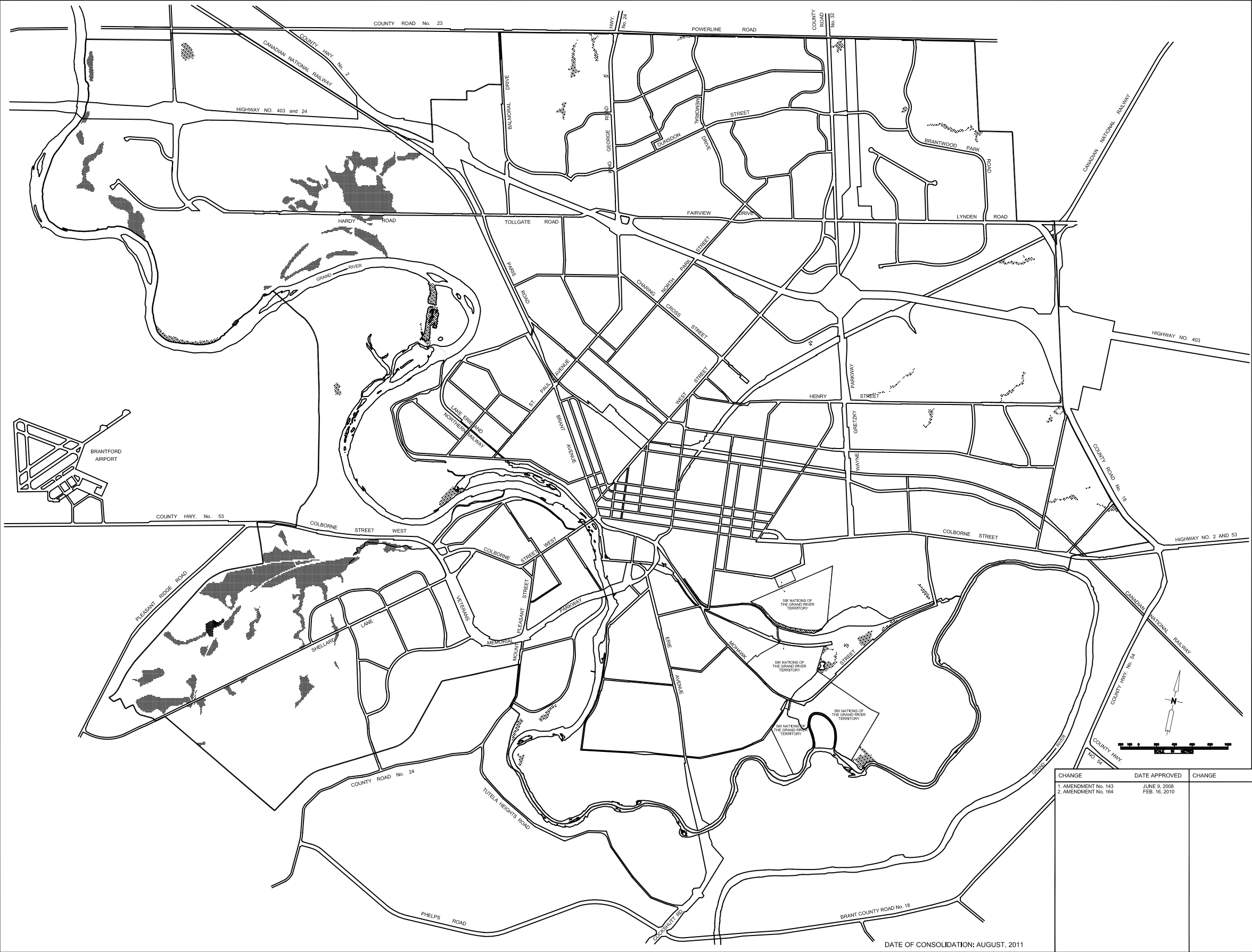
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1. AMENDMENT No. 84	JULY 14, 2000						
2. AMENDMENT No. 164	FEB. 16, 2010						
3. AMENDMENT No. 125	DEC. 8, 2008						

DATE OF CONSOLIDATION: AUGUST, 2011





# SCHEDULE 3-3 NATURAL HERITAGE: WETLAND AREAS

## LEGEND

- PROVINCIALY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS
- WETLANDS

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**SCHEDULE 4-1  
COMMUNITY HEALTH AND  
SAFETY: FLOODPLAIN**

**LEGEND**

- LIMIT OF THE FLOODPLAIN
- [Cross-hatch] SPECIAL POLICY AREA 1
- [Dots] SPECIAL POLICY AREA 2
- [Horizontal lines] FLOODWAY POLICY AREA

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1. AMENDMENT No. 26	AUG. 2, 1991						
2. AMENDMENT No. 32	APR. 21, 1992						
3. AMENDMENT No. 75	MAY 6, 1999						
4. AMENDMENT No. 84	JULY 14, 2000						
5. AMENDMENT No. 143	JUNE 9, 2008						
6. AMENDMENT No. 164	FEB. 16, 2010						
7. AMENDMENT No. 170	SEPT. 12, 2011						

DATE OF CONSOLIDATION: FEBRUARY 2013






CHANGE	DATE APPROVED
1. AMENDMENT No. 75	MAY 6, 1999
2. AMENDMENT No. 84	JULY 14, 2000
3. AMENDMENT No. 170	SEPT 12, 2011

# SCHEDULE 4-2 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY: FLOODPLAIN BREACH ZONE

## LEGEND

 LIMIT OF BREACH ZONE

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**SCHEDULE 4-3  
COMMUNITY HEALTH AND  
SAFETY: STEEP SLOPE  
EROSION HAZARD**

**LEGEND**

 STEEP SLOPES AND EROSIONS HAZARD

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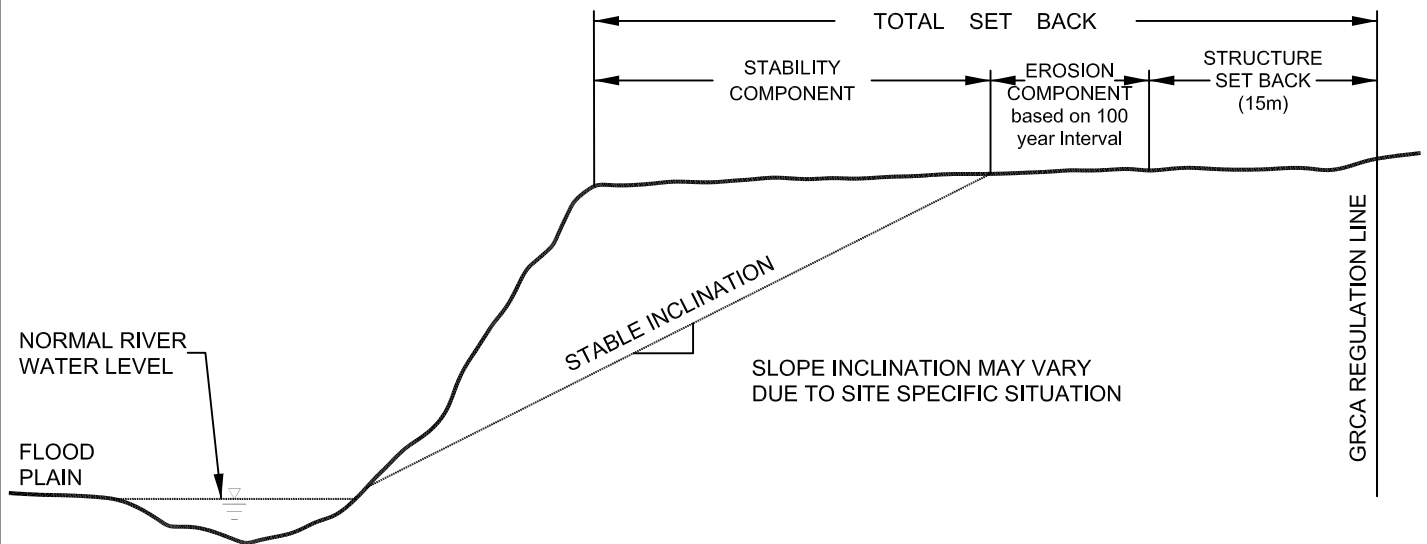
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# SCHEDULE 4-4 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY: SLOPE SETBACK

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CHANGE	DATE APPROVED
1. MINISTER'S MODIFICATION No. 41	JUNE 21, 1988
2. AMENDMENT No. 84	JULY 14, 2000
3. AMENDMENT No. 143	JUNE 9, 2008





# SCHEDULE 4-5 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY: ABANDONED LANDFILL SITES

## LEGEND

-  CATEGORY 1
-  CATEGORY 2
-  CATEGORY 3
-  CATEGORY 4

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# SCHEDULE 5-1 TRANSPORTATION: TRANSPORTATION PLAN

## LEGEND

- PROVINCIAL HIGHWAY
- MAJOR ARTERIAL ROAD
- MINOR ARTERIAL ROAD
- MAJOR COLLECTOR ROAD
- MINOR COLLECTOR ROAD
- LONG-TERM CORRIDOR PROTECTION
- ACTIVE RAILWAYS

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1. AMENDMENT No. 59 2. AMENDMENT No. 84 3. AMENDMENT No. 144 4. AMENDMENT No. 125 5. AMENDMENT No. 164	NOV. 19, 1997 JULY 14, 2000 MAY 20, 2008 DEC. 3, 2008 FEB. 16, 2010						

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**SCHEDULE 5-2**  
**TRANSPORTATION: ROAD WIDENNGS**

OPA #84  
July 14/00  
OPA #59  
Nov. 19/97  
OPA #125  
Dec. 3/08

<b><u>ROAD</u></b>	<b><u>LIMITS</u></b>	<b><u>PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY WIDTH (metres)</u></b>
BALDWIN AVENUE	River Road to Erie Avenue	20
BALMORAL DRIVE	Myrtleville Drive to Power Line Road	26
BIRKETT LANE		20
WAYNE GRETZKY PARKWAY	North of Highway 403	60
CATHARINE AVENUE	Spalding Drive to Sherwood Drive	20
CHARING CROSS STREET	CNR to Henry Street	40
CLARENCE STREET	West Street to Colborne Street	26
COLBORNE STREET WEST	Oakhill Drive to Brant Avenue	26
CONKLIN ROAD		26
DUNSDON STREET	King George Road to Memorial Drive	26
EAGLE AVENUE	Foster Street to River Road	20
ERIE AVENUE	Market Street to Eagle Avenue Cayuga Street to City Limits	26
FAIRVIEW DRIVE	Highway 403 Ramps to Hayhurst Road/Memorial Drive to Park Road North	26
GARDEN AVENUE	Henry Street to Colborne Street East	26
GILKISON STREET	Brunswick Street to BSAR Overpass	20
GREY STREET	James Avenue to Rowanwood Avenue	26
GREY STREET	WGP to James; Rowanwood Avenue to Garden Avenue	26
HARDY ROAD		26



<b><u>ROAD</u></b>	<b><u>LIMITS</u></b>	<b><u>PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY WIDTH (METRES)</u></b>
HENRY STREET	West Street to Wayne Gretzky Parkway/Middleton Street to Plant Farm Road	26
KING GEORGE ROAD	Kent Road to Fairview Drive	35
LOCKS ROAD	Lloyd Street to Colborne Street East	26
MARKET STREET SOUTH		26
MEMORIAL DRIVE	Harvest Lane to Evelyn Street/ Buckingham Street to Fairview Drive	26
MOHAWK STREET	Greenwich Street to Birkett Lane	20
MORTON AVENUE	Hill Avenue to Furzey Avenue	20
MT. PLEASANT STREET		26
MURRAY STREET	Grey Street to Elgin Street	20
NORTH PARK STREET	St. George Street to Dundas Street	20
OAK PARK ROAD	Highway 403 to City Limits	45
OAK PARK ROAD	Highway 403 Southerly	60
RAWDON STREET	Dalhousie Street to Colborne Street	20
RIVER ROAD	Marlene Avenue to Birkett Lane/ Aberdeen Avenue to Strathcona Avenue	20
SHELLARD LANE		26
ST. PAUL AVENUE	Grand River Avenue to Dufferin Avenue	20
STANLEY STREET	CNR to Dalhousie Street	20
TOLLGATE ROAD	Highway 403 Overpass/King George Road	26
WEST STREET	Market Street to Clarence Street/Harris Avenue to Charing Cross Street/ Farrington Drive to Fairview Drive	26
WILKES STREET	Morrell Street to St. Paul Avenue	20





# SCHEDULE 5-3 TRANSPORTATION: BIKEWAY AND TRAILS NETWORK PLAN

## LEGEND

- MULTI-USE TRAIL
- ON ROAD BIKE LANE
- PAVED SHOULDER
- SIGNED ROUTE
- WIDE SHARED USE

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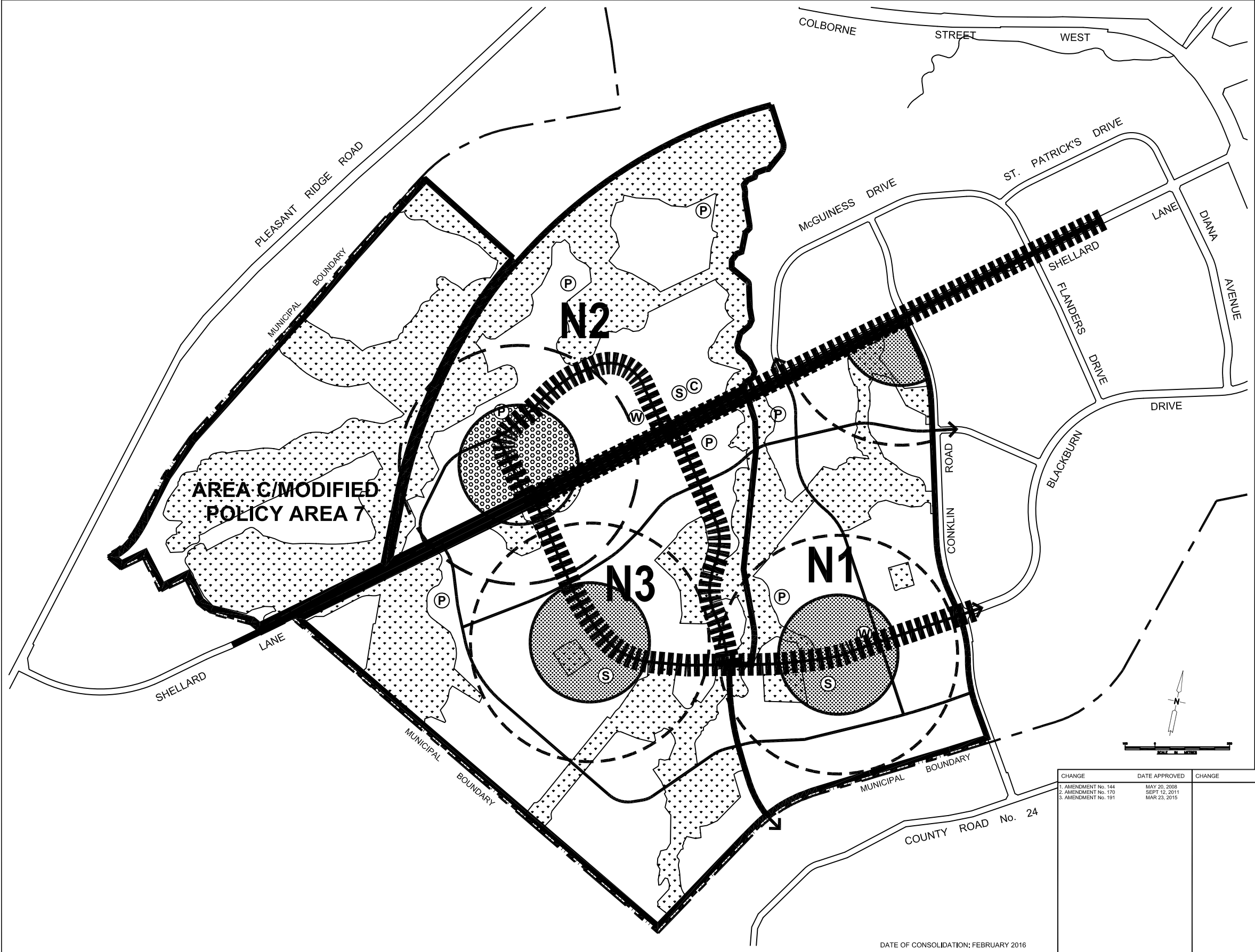


## **SCHEDULE 6**

**DELETED**

OPA #192  
Mar. 29/2016





**SCHEDULE 7-1  
WEST OF CONKLIN  
SECONDARY PLAN:  
COMMUNITY STRUCTURE**

**LEGEND**

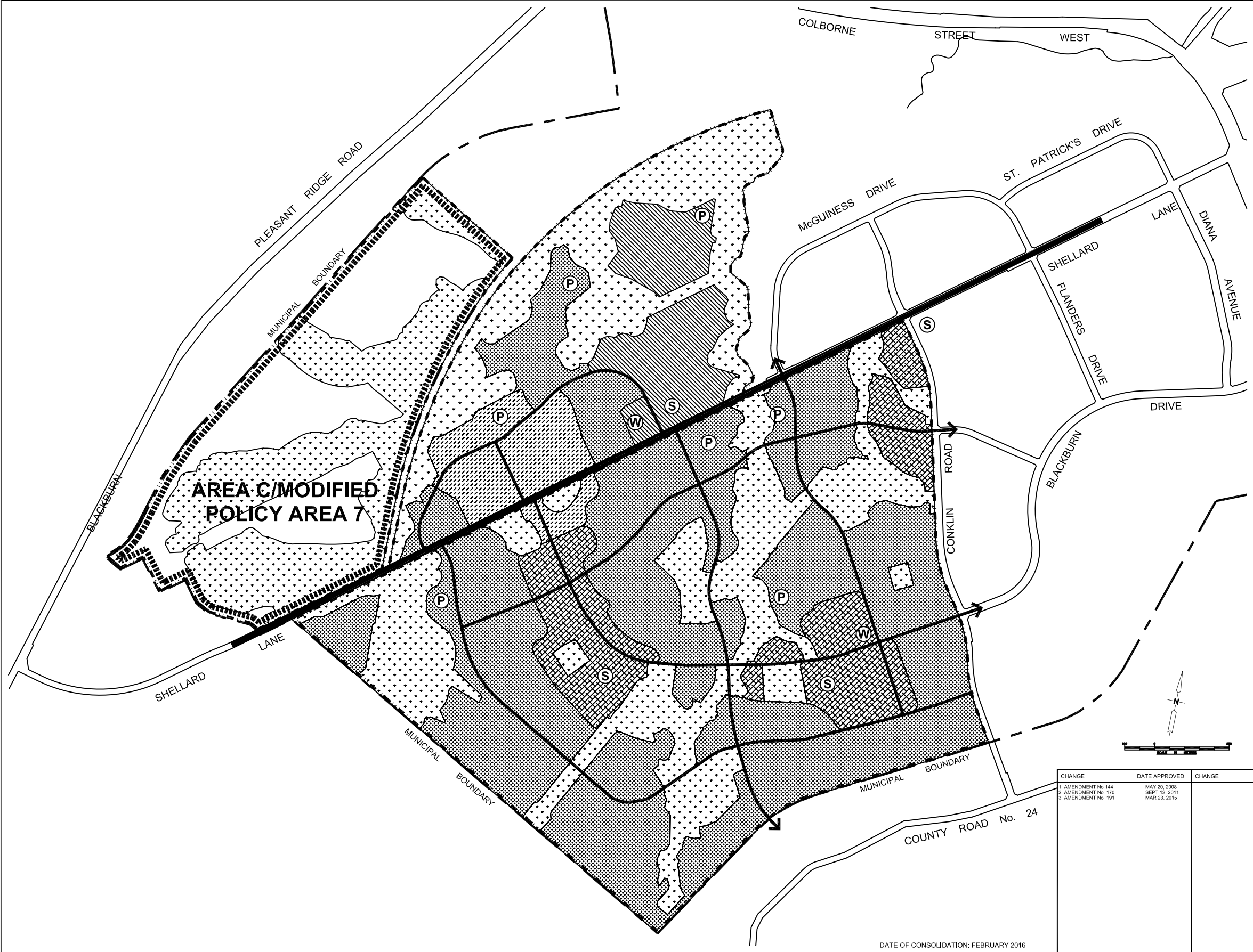
- NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE  
— 5 MINUTE WALK
- VILLAGE CENTRE  
— 5 MINUTE WALK
- GREENLANDS SYSTEM
- SHELLARD LANE
- COLLECTOR ROAD
- CORRIDOR
- STORM WATER MANAGEMENT POND LOCATION
- SCHOOL SITE
- PLACE OF WORSHIP SITE
- COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONAL/RECREATION CENTRE
- N1 NEIGHBOURHOOD
- NEIGHBOURHOOD BOUNDARIES
- SECONDARY PLAN AREA BOUNDARY

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# SCHEDULE 7-2 WEST OF CONKLIN SECONDARY PLAN: LAND USE PLAN

## LEGEND

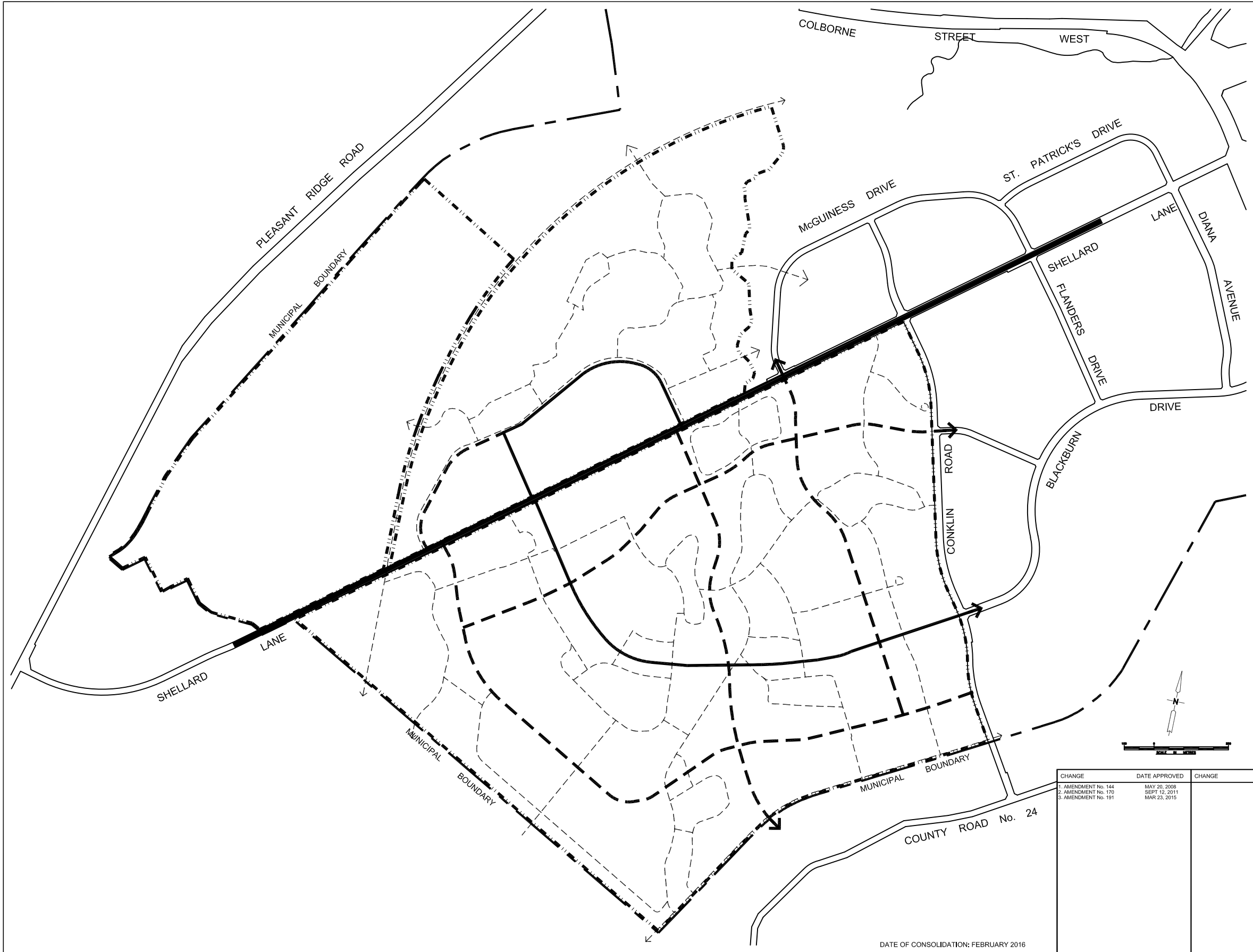
- GREENLANDS SYSTEM
- MODIFIED POLICY AREA 7
- NEIGHBOURHOOD RESIDENTIAL
- NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE
- VILLAGE CENTRE
- COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONAL / RECREATION CENTRE
- SHELLARD LANE
- COLLECTOR ROAD
- STORM WATER MANAGEMENT POND LOCATION
- SCHOOL SITE
- PLACE OF WORSHIP SITE
- SECONDARY PLAN AREA BOUNDARY

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**SCHEDULE 7-3  
WEST OF CONKLIN  
SECONDARY PLAN:  
TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

**LEGEND**

- SHELLARD LANE
- MAJOR COLLECTOR ROAD
- MINOR COLLECTOR ROAD
- SECONDARY PLAN AREA BOUNDARY
- CONCEPTUAL TRAIL NETWORK

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**SCHEDULE 7-4  
WEST OF CONKLIN  
SECONDARY PLAN:  
GREENLANDS PLAN**

**LEGEND**

- ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
- ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OVERLAY
- PARKS/OPEN SPACE
- NP - NEIGHBOURHOOD PARK
- GW - GREENWAY
- P - STORM WATER MANAGEMENT POND
- SHELLARD LANE
- COLLECTOR ROAD

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**APPENDIX I  
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**CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT**

Throughout the generation of and the process leading to the adoption of the Official Plan of the City of Brantford efforts have been made to maintain public involvement and to afford individuals the opportunity to provide input into the Official Plan document and to respond to proposals made therewith, all with a view of ensuring that City Council would have full information provided to it prior to its review and adopting the Official Plan.

In order to create a manageable working environment for the creation of the Official Plan, City Council elected to delegate its responsibility to a Sub-Committee of Council Members known as the Official Plan Steering Committee. This delegation, was by By-law Number 102-86 under the provisions of the Municipal Act and allowed a smaller representative group of City Council to develop the details of the Plan and undertake the necessary public involvement in an atmosphere more conducive to encouraging public responses. In 1985 this Official Plan Steering Committee of Council oversaw the gathering of information and opinion which form the basis for the Planning Appraisal Study. Much of this Study consisted of making contact with representative groups and individuals in the Municipality and soliciting information and opinion from them in order to set a planning context as a basis for the Official Plan.



The next major stage of public involvement came in May of 1986 when City Council announced that its Steering Committee would be convening public hearings on June 24th and June 25th, 1986 for the purposes of gaining public response and input to a draft Official Plan.

In order to maximize public knowledge of the draft Official Plan and allow people to make informed comment the entire draft Official Plan, including Schedules, was published in a local weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Municipality together with an explanation of the process and an invitation to attend a public Open House which was held on May 21st, 1986 at City Hall where Staff and Consultants were available to discuss the contents of the proposed document. A number of individuals took advantage of this informal opportunity to gain insight into the document and to offer opinions or comments to Staff prior to the hearings of the Steering Committee.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 17(2) of the Planning Act, S.O 1983, formal public meetings in the form of hearings to receive input and provide information were held on behalf of City Council by the Official Plan Steering Committee under its delegated authority on June 24th, and June 25th, 1986. In addition to the notice of these meetings given with the publication of the draft Official Plan, notices were also published in the Brantford Expositor, a local daily newspaper with a general circulation in the Municipality and surrounding area on May 8th, 15th and 22nd, 1986. There were no written requests for the giving of individual notice of these public meetings.

During the course of the hearings the Official Plan Steering Committee of City Council received some 75 written and/or verbal presentations regarding a wide range of matters contained in the draft Official Plan as published by the Municipality in May of 1986. All persons wishing to appear in person before the Committee to speak to their submissions were afforded opportunity to do so during these meetings. Details of the submissions made, together with Minutes of these meetings (June 24th and 25th, 1986) are documented in the Report of the Official Plan Steering Committee to City Council dated October 1986.



Following receipt of all submissions the Official Plan Steering Committee began a systematic review of such submissions. The review was carried out in August of 1986, in meetings which were open to the public and for which notice was given by letter to all persons making submissions to the Committee, and by publication in the local daily newspaper. The Committee upon completion of the review formulated recommendations to City Council for its consideration in respect to each of the submissions received.

In order to ensure that all persons with an interest in the Official Plan were made aware of the Committee's recommendations, individual letters were sent to all persons making submissions to the Committee outlining the specific recommendation being made by the Committee to Council in respect of their specific submission. In addition a large two-page advertisement was placed in the Brantford Expositor on September 18, 1986 outlining each of the recommendations being made to Council, together with a map identifying the location of specific lands which would be affected by certain of the recommendations. Invitations were included with these letters and advertisement to persons wishing to make further representations on the matter directly to City Council in conjunction with the Committee's recommendations regarding the draft Official Plan. This procedure is documented in detail in the aforementioned Committee's Report to City Council together with the Minutes of all Steering Committee meetings.

In October of 1986 Council received the Committee's recommendations and held open Council meetings to receive further input from the general public and to debate the provisions of the proposed document and the recommendations of the Steering Committee. Over the course of two meetings, held October 15th, and October 22nd, 1986, City Council received a further 15 written and verbal submissions regarding a range of topics pertaining to the recommended Official Plan document. Each of the matters were considered individually within the context of the recommended document and, during open Council session, conclusions were reached by Council on the submissions and the recommendations made by the Steering Committee in respect of the Official Plan document.

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SUPPORT DOCUMENTS

The following list refers to the main source documents utilized in the generation of the Official Plan and to its adoption. Due to the size and format of these documents they are not included in this Appendix but are only referenced. Copies of the actual documents may be viewed in the office of the City Clerk.

The source documents are as follows:

1. City of Brantford Planning Appraisal Study  
September 1985;  
Prepared by: Walker, Wright, Young, and Associates Limited, and C. N. Watson and Associates Limited.
2. Report of the Official Plan Steering Committee to City Council  
October 1986 (Book 1).
3. Addendum to Book 1.  
Item 4 of the Report of the Official Plan Steering Committee.
4. Report of the Official Plan Steering Committee to City Council  
October 1986 (Book 2).
5. Report prepared by Planning Staff  
in consultation with Walker, Wright, Young, and Associates Limited on submissions received by City Council to the Draft Official Plan on October 15th, 1986 (Book 3).
6. Submissions received prior to Council adopting  
the Official Plan and Minutes of Council meetings of October 15th, 22nd, and November 3rd, 1986 (Book 4).

While these are the main source documents related to the Official Plan, there are contained within them references to numerous other documents which formed directly and indirectly considerations upon which the Official Plan is based. Reference should be had to those documents, however, they are not contained in this Appendix.

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**APPENDIX III  
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**IMPACT ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES**

The Official Plan requires that Impact Assessments (IA's) be prepared when development is proposed within Environmental Control Policy Areas or in adjacent lands to Environmental Protection Policy Areas and Environmental Control Policy Areas. The general extent of adjacent lands is described in the Official Plan.

The primary purposes of an IA are to:

- describe the key features and functions of the study area;
- provide a summary of the proposed development;
- determine the potential impacts of the proposed development on key features and functions;
- identify mitigation that will eliminate or reduce potential impacts identified above;
- identify net impacts after mitigation is applied; and
- identify any monitoring programs that are necessary.

The City, with input from the Grand River Conservation Authority and other appropriate agencies, will determine if the net impacts are acceptable and if development may proceed.

Although not mandatory, it is highly recommended that proponents prepare an Issues Summary Report (ISR) prior to undertaking the detailed work required for an IA. The ISR is an initial definition of constraints to development. The proponent should identify key features and functions based on existing knowledge (and any data that have been collected as part of the study) and give a general overview of the proposed development and the potential impacts on these features and functions.

The ISR can be used to define the Terms of Reference for the IA. This is advantageous to both the proponent and review agencies. The proponent knows which studies are required, which eliminates doing unnecessary work and not having review agencies requesting additional studies after the IA is submitted. For instance, the Official Plan identifies generic adjacent land distances for different features and in different areas of the City (for hydrogeological studies). An ISR may result in the adjacent lands definition being refined and focussing the study required for the IA. In extreme cases, the ISR may identify significant constraints that may preclude some areas from being developed, and the proponent may wish to reconsider the viability of the proposed development.

The Natural Heritage Reference Manual provides guidelines for preparing IAs. Proponents should review these prior to undertaking the IA. Nonetheless, the following components should be considered when conducting an IA for development within the City of Brantford.

There are three technical disciplines that may need to be addressed in an IA. There may also be social issues to be dealt with. The City will determine if the IA should address any social features, functions, or concerns. The three technical disciplines are biology, hydrology, and hydrogeology.



These are discussed in more detail below.

### **Biology**

It is critical to recognize that biology is not an isolated science. Vegetation communities and the wildlife species that they support are highly dependent on abiotic features such as hydrology and hydrogeology. Therefore, a good understanding of these sciences is required before impacts on biological features and functions can be predicted.

For the biological component of an IA, three main topics should be addressed: features, functions, and linkages. Features are generally vegetation communities or species that are considered especially vulnerable to habitat changes, or that are considered significant at one of five levels (globally, nationally, provincially, within Site Region 7, or within the City of Brantford). Standard references for determining significance include the database maintained by the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) and the data report prepared as part of the Official Plan Review.

In most cases, biological fieldwork will be required before key features, functions, and linkages may be determined. The ISR will help to focus on what field studies are required. Generally, it is likely that it will be necessary to map and describe vegetation communities and complete an inventory of plant and wildlife species.

Descriptions of vegetation communities should be done following the latest version of the Ecological Land Classification (ELC) system. This provides a standardized approach and also results in consistent nomenclature so that the vegetation communities can be assessed for provincial significance using the NHIC database.

Typically, at least two visits are required to complete an inventory of plant species so ensure that the full growing season is covered. These are generally in late spring and summer. Depending on the quality of the habitat and the species that it is most likely to support, it may be necessary to conduct an inventory in early spring for ephemeral species and in late summer or early autumn for late-flowering species.

At a minimum, the wildlife survey should include a breeding bird survey, typically conducted between the end of May and the first week of July. In complex habitats, more than one visit may be required. It may also be necessary to employ special techniques such as playback tapes for difficult-to-detect species such as owls and marsh birds.

Other wildlife groups should also be inventoried, and the amount of time that is devoted to this will be variable depending on the ISR and the resources present. If there is water on or adjacent to the site, it may be necessary to document amphibian breeding by checking for salamanders and listening for calling amphibians. It may be necessary to complete winter tracking surveys of mammals to determine species present or if there are significant concentrations of deer or other sensitive species.

Where fish habitat may be affected, this habitat should be adequately described using the latest Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) protocol. Depending on the nature of the proposal and the



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amount of existing information, it may not be necessary to sample fish populations. However, there may be occasions where the existing database is inadequate to evaluate the resource. In these cases, it may be necessary to sample fish using techniques such as electrofishing. In some instances, an assessment of benthic invertebrate populations may be necessary to evaluate existing habitat quality and document baseline conditions if monitoring of impacts is likely to be required.

The results of the plant and wildlife inventories should be analyzed to determine if there are any features or habitats that would qualify as Significant Wildlife Habitat (SWH) as defined by the Natural Heritage Reference Manual or its supporting documents (the SWH Technical Guide and the SWH Decision Support System).

Biological functions are processes or activities that occur in the study area. Many of these, such as nutrient recycling, are not easily studied or evaluated, and are therefore not usually the subject of an IA. However, one of the simple biological functions of an area is to provide habitat for plant and wildlife species. By recognizing this, the proponent should deal with the impacts of the proposed development on all species and not only those that have some level of significance. There are some instances when the loss of common species or general degradation of habitat may not be an acceptable impact.

As part of the linkage function, the IA should determine if there is movement by wildlife among habitat patches that may be affected by the proposed development. This often may be done at a landscape ecology level by explaining the functions of adjacent habitat patches and the habitat requirements of the wildlife species that occur in the general area. In some cases, fieldwork may be required to determine if there is actually significant movement of wildlife among areas.

The biological component of the IA must be holistic and look at thresholds of impacts, taking all of the other components into account. The results of any hydrological and hydrogeological studies must be considered as they have high potential to affect the conclusions of the biological analysis. For instance, changes in hydrology or hydrogeology may affect plant communities and therefore the wildlife species that they are capable of supporting. Aquatic resources may be affected by altering baseflow, water temperatures, stream flows, erosion, and water quality. There may also be subtle changes in terrestrial biology that affect wildlife populations. For instance, the amount of natural area within the general area may decline below a threshold so that it is no longer suitable for some wildlife species, or individual habitat patches may become too small so that some species are lost through indirect effects. Other indirect effects may include habitat fragmentation, disturbance, and increased predation and parasitism.

The biological component should also recommend mitigation required to minimize impacts. It will be necessary to include those measures identified in studies from other disciplines. For instance, erosion and sediment control plans that may be part of a hydrological report need to be assessed to ensure that they are adequate to protect biological features and functions.

Finally, it may be necessary to undertake some monitoring, and the IA should identify the need for this. Monitoring should be practical and designed to measure an expected impact. Monitoring is often two-fold: to determine if mitigation was actually undertaken as specified, and to see if the mitigation worked as anticipated.



### Hydrology

Hydrological studies will likely be required in all cases to determine runoff from development and the need for stormwater management. In addition to determining water flows, erosion and sediment controls should be described. Stormwater management should also reflect the potential need for infiltration to the water table. A key component in many areas will be water quality, particularly in the Northwest and Southwest where there are significant fisheries resources, wetlands, and terrestrial resources. In these areas, it will be necessary to determine potential impacts on stream baseflow, peak flows, stream bank erosion, water temperature, and water quality. In areas of highly pervious soils, potential impacts on the quality and quantity of water being delivered to the water table should be described.

Monitoring requirements should be described. Depending on the nature of the development and adjacent natural areas, this may include water quality and quantity measurements, monitoring efficiency of stormwater management facilities, and stream erosion and sedimentation patterns.

### Hydrogeology

Hydrogeological studies will be required in the Northwest, and in portions of the Northeast, and possibly in other areas where there are pervious soils. The need for hydrogeological studies will be determined by the City and the Grand River Conservation Authority in conjunction with other appropriate agencies.

Where hydrogeological studies are necessary, the study will determine impacts of the development on groundwater quality and quantity. Key factors to consider are the amount of impervious surfaces that will result from development and how this will affect infiltration rates, if there will be a change in groundwater quality as a result of surface runoff and infiltration, and what impacts there may be to receiving water bodies or any seeps or groundwater discharge sites.

No strict guidelines are presented above for preparation of an IA, because each IA should be unique to reflect the natural conditions present and the impacts that development is likely to have on the resources. The complexity of an IA should be a direct reflection of the complexity of the natural environment and the intensity of development. The level of effort required for an IA will vary from a brief letter report to intensive studies detailing biological, hydrological, and hydrogeological resources and impacts of the proposed development on them.

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**CATEGORY 1 ABANDONED LANDFILL SITES**

These sites either contain inert materials such as building demolition rubble or street sweepings or they are not adversely impacting human health or the environment on adjacent lands.

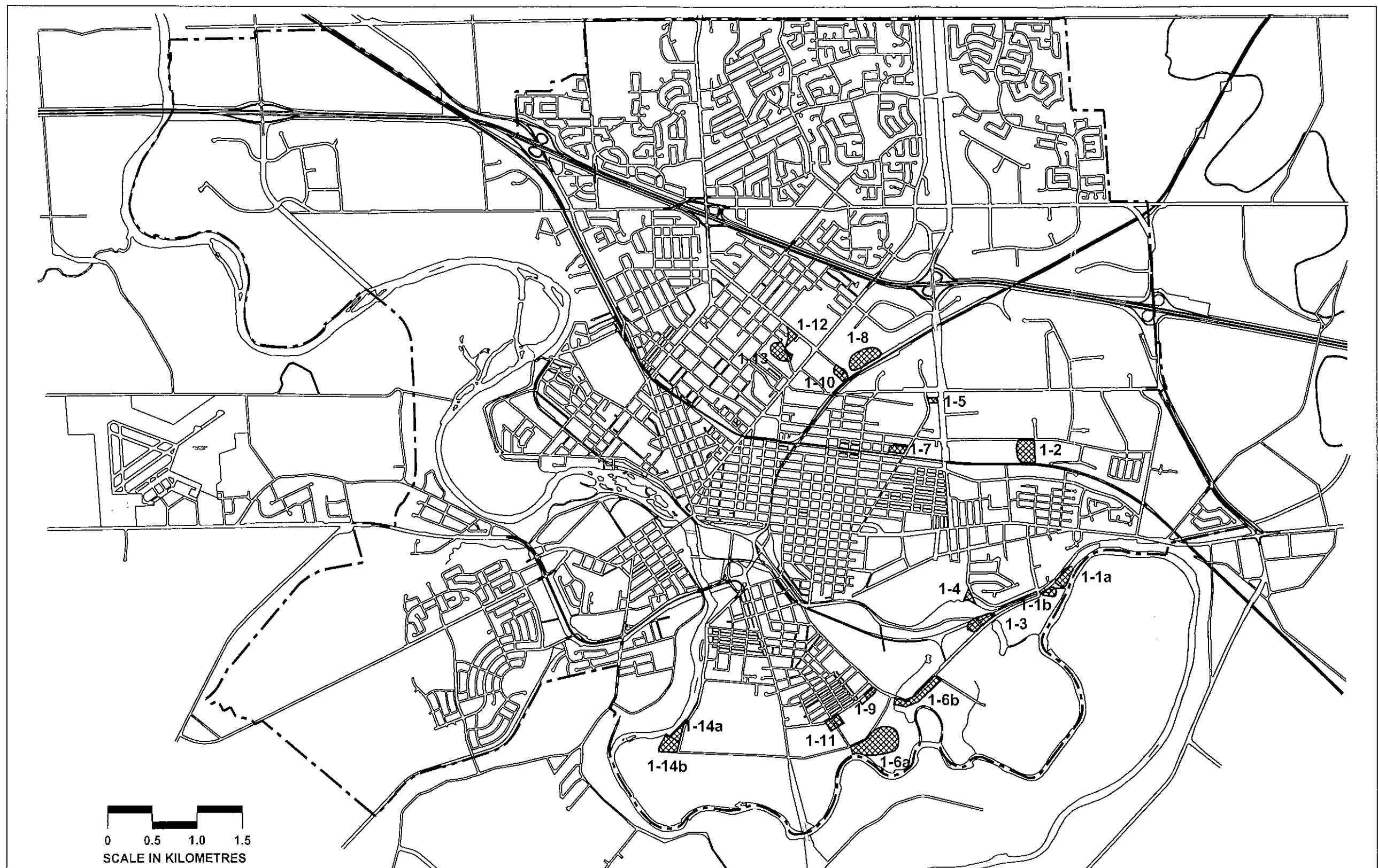
Geotechnical investigations including chemical analyses of soil and groundwater samples should be required on Category I sites prior to any change in land usage on the sites. The chemical analytical results should be compared against Table B in the Ministry of Environment A Guideline for Use at Contaminated Sites in Ontario. Slope stability may be an issue on some sites where steep slopes have been formed by the deposition of waste materials.

These investigations are not required on lands adjacent to Category I sites.

Category 1 abandoned landfill sites include sites: 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 1-9, 1-10, 1-11, 1-12, and 1-13.

Figure A-1 shows the location of the Category 1 abandoned landfill sites.





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## Figure A-1: Category 1 Abandoned Landfill Sites

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**CATEGORY 2 ABANDONED LANDFILL SITES**

Category 2 landfill sites contain waste materials that can leach and become mobile with surface water or groundwater. Geotechnical investigations including chemical analyses of soil and groundwater samples should be required on Category 2 sites prior to any change in land usage on the sites. The chemical analytical results should be compared against Table B in the Ministry of Environment A Guideline for Use at Contaminated Sites in Ontario.

The four Category 2 sites are Sites 2-1, 2-2, 2-3 and 2-4.

Investigations for impact to groundwater should be conducted down gradient of Category 2 sites. The radius of lands to be investigated was calculated by multiplying the estimated groundwater flow velocity by the number of years since the landfill was closed. ( $R = \text{velocity} \times \text{years}$ ). The groundwater flow velocity was estimated to be about 3 metres per year assuming a hydraulic conductivity of  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  m/sec and a hydraulic gradient of 0.001 m/m.

Site 2-1 was closed about 50 years ago and groundwater may have moved about 150 metres in the down gradient direction.

Sites 2-2, 2-3 and 2-4 were active until about 70 years ago and groundwater may have moved about 210 metres in the down gradient direction from these sites.

The radii of investigation are shown on Figures B-1, B-2, B-3, and B-4.



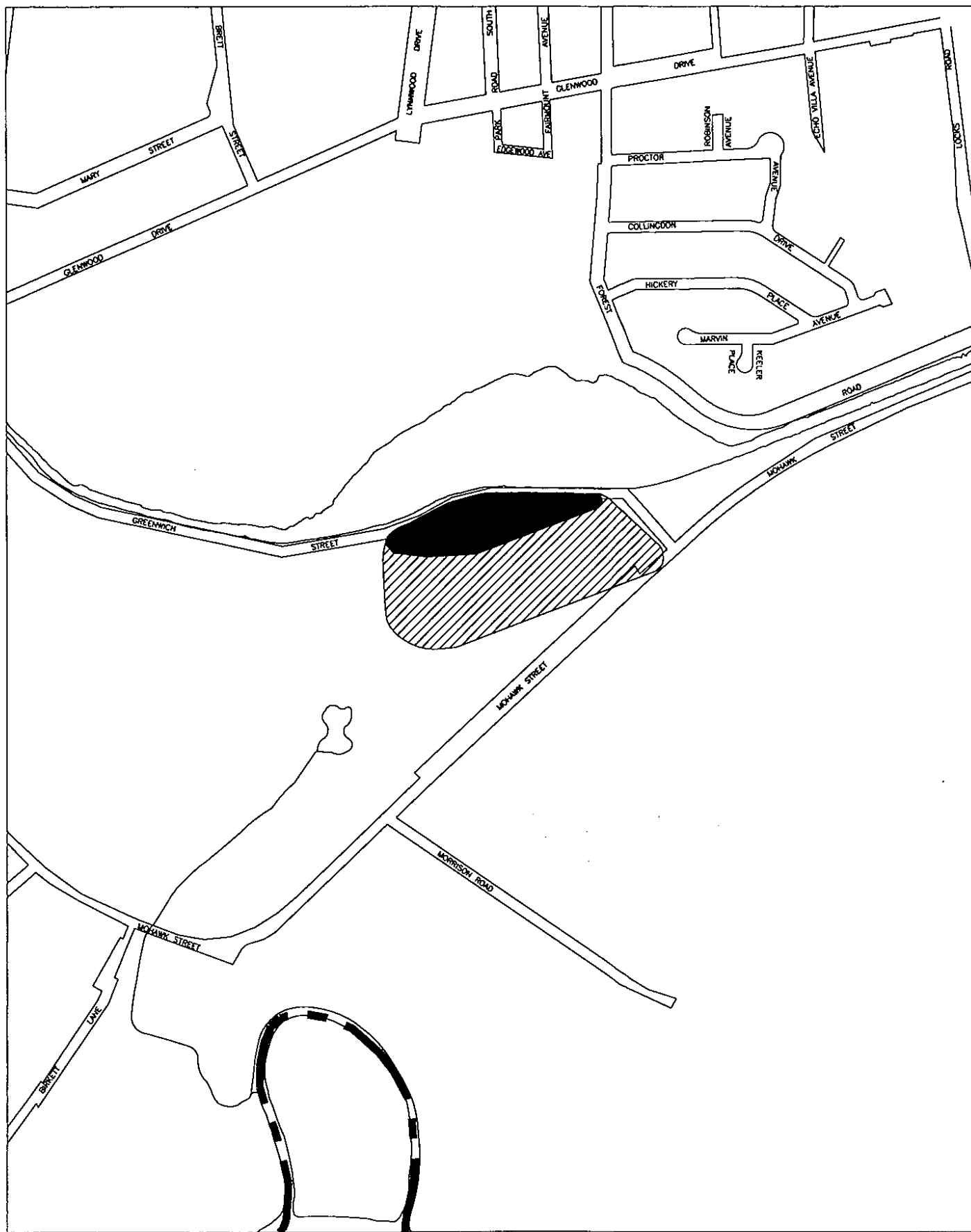


Figure B-1

Abandoned Landfill Site 2-1  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Groundwater Assessment



0 metres 100 200 300

### Legend



Estimated Extent of Fill

Area Requiring Investigation



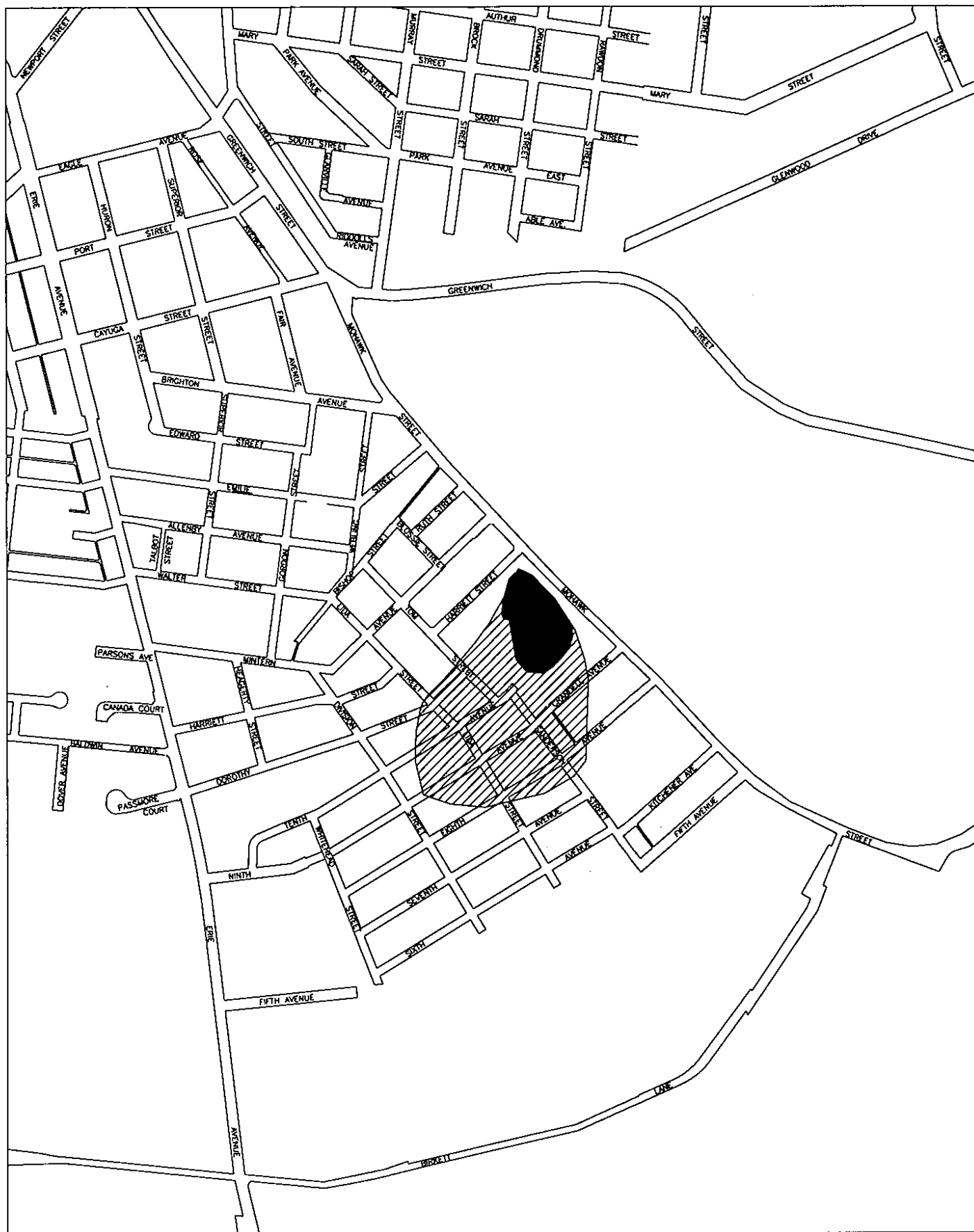


Figure B-2

Abandoned Landfill Site 2-2  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Groundwater Assessment



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Legend



Estimated Extent of Fill

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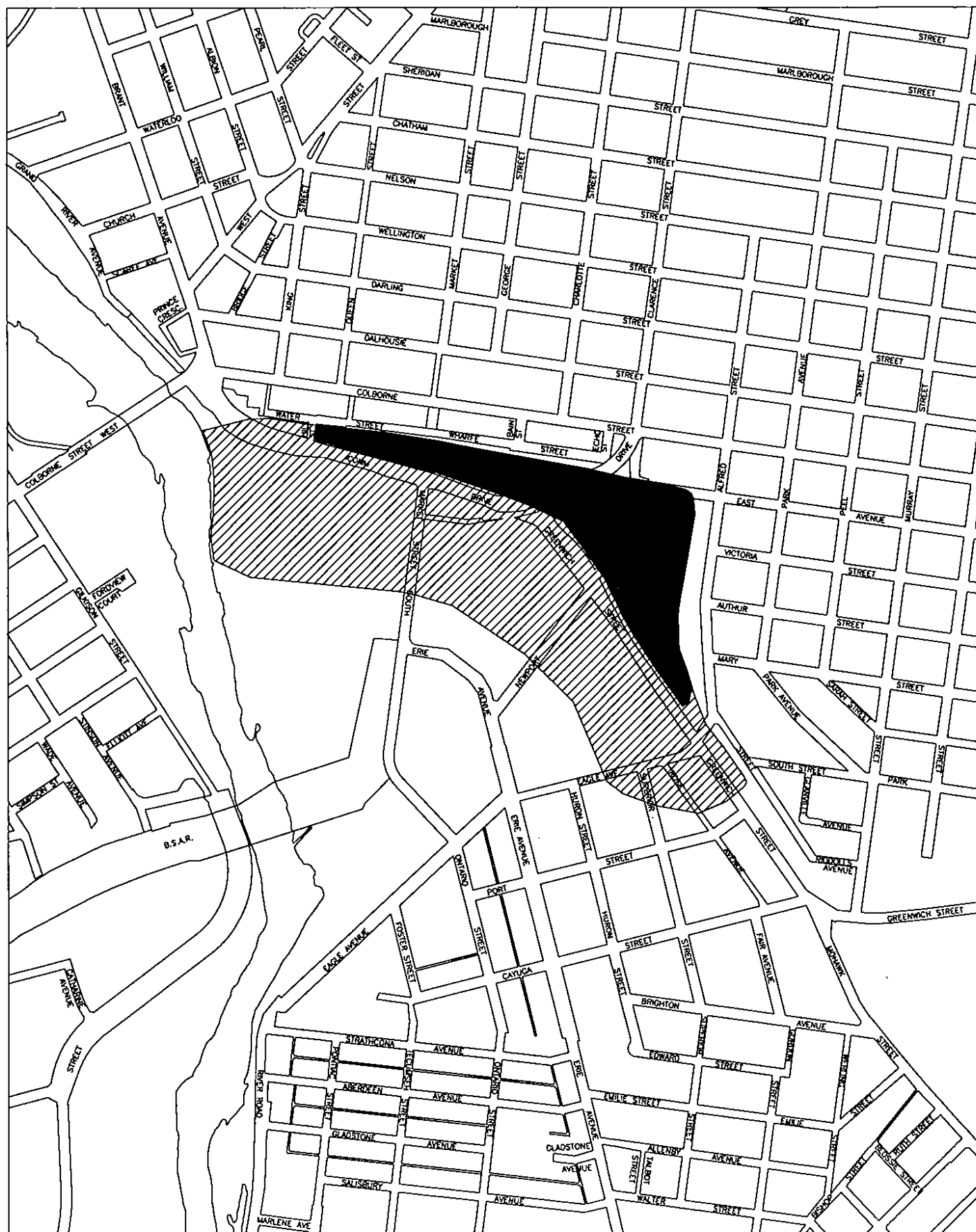


Figure B-3

Abandoned Landfill Site 2-3  
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0 metres 100 200 300

### Legend



Estimated Extent of Fill

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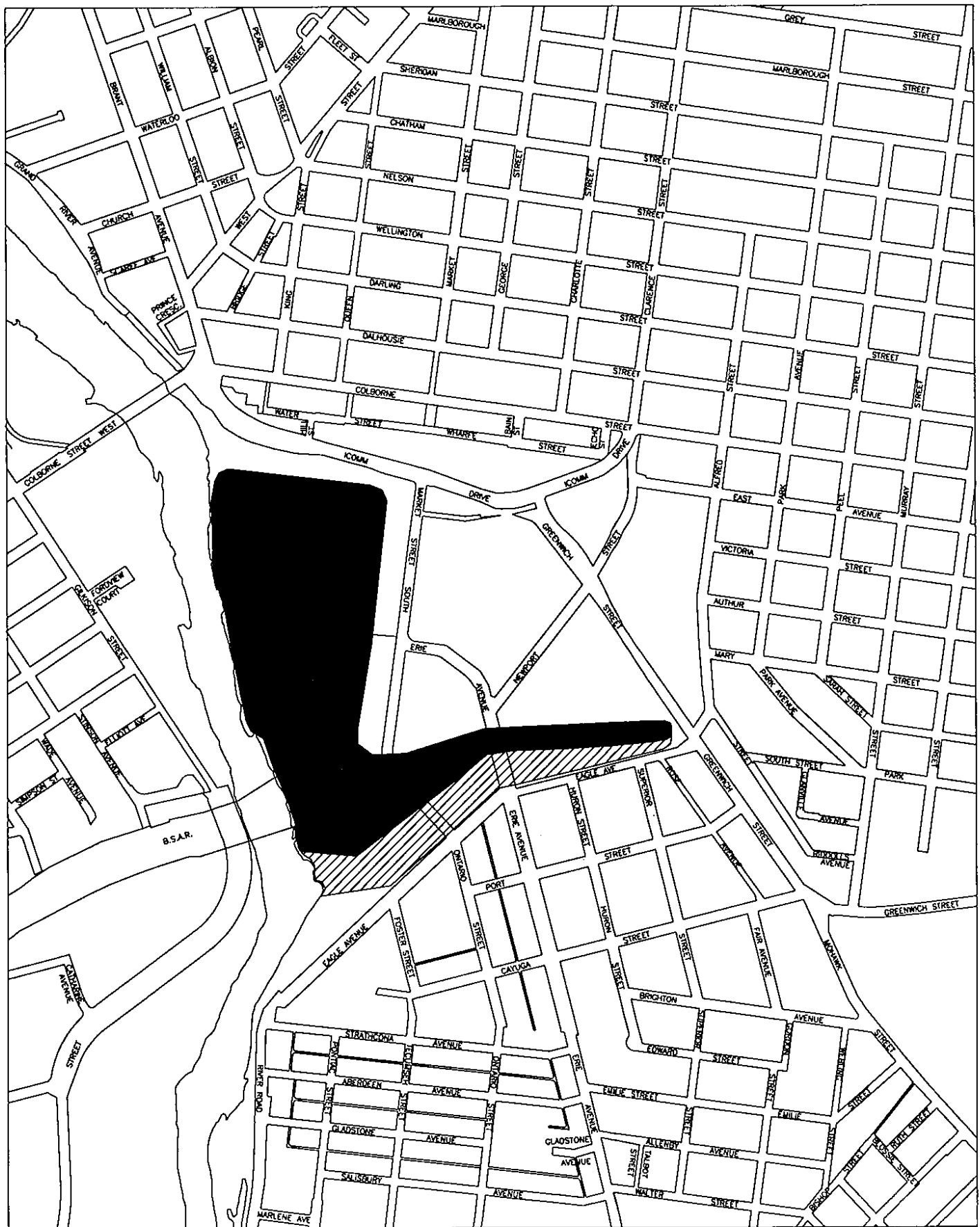


Figure B-4

Abandoned Landfill Site 2-4  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Groundwater Assessment



0 metres 100 200 300

# Legend



Estimated Extent of Fill

Area Requiring Investigation



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**CATEGORY 3 ABANDONED LANDFILL SITES**

Category 3 sites are those that are generating significant quantities of methane gas (methane gas). Geotechnical investigations including testing for the presence of methane gas and chemical analyses of soil and groundwater samples should be required on Category 3 sites prior to any change in land usage on the sites. The chemical analytical results should be compared against Table B in the Ministry of Environment A Guideline for Use at Contaminated Sites in Ontario. Shallow soil gas surveys for methane can be conducted by probing about one metre into the soil and testing the soil vapour using a hand held gas detection instrument calibrated to detect methane gas. The probe holes should be located on a 10 by 10 metre grid as a minimum in the area of development.

Methane gas is mobile in the subsurface above the groundwater table. A mixture of 5 to 15% methane in air can explode if ignited. This can be very dangerous in confined spaces. For this reason, investigations for methane gas should be conducted prior to proposed land use changes on landfills actively generating methane gas and lands adjacent to landfills which are generating significant quantities of methane gas.

Category 3 sites that are generating significant methane gas are Sites 3-1, 3-2, and 3-3.

The radius of lands to be investigated was calculated by multiplying the estimated unsaturated thickness of the landfill (H) by 30. In the past, the Ministry of Environment considered ten times the unsaturated thickness to be a distance sufficient to reduce the methane gas concentration to a safe level (10 % of the lower explosive limit of methane in air). Applying this formula  $R = 30 H$ , for the Category 3 landfills yields a 180 metre radius of investigation for Sites 3-1, 3-2 and 3-3 since they have an unsaturated thickness of about six metres. At the sites where the terrain is level investigation for methane gas should be conducted around the entire landfill. Where the terrain has significant slope, investigation for methane gas should be conducted up slope from the landfill.

The radii of investigation are shown on Figures C-1, C-2 and C-3.



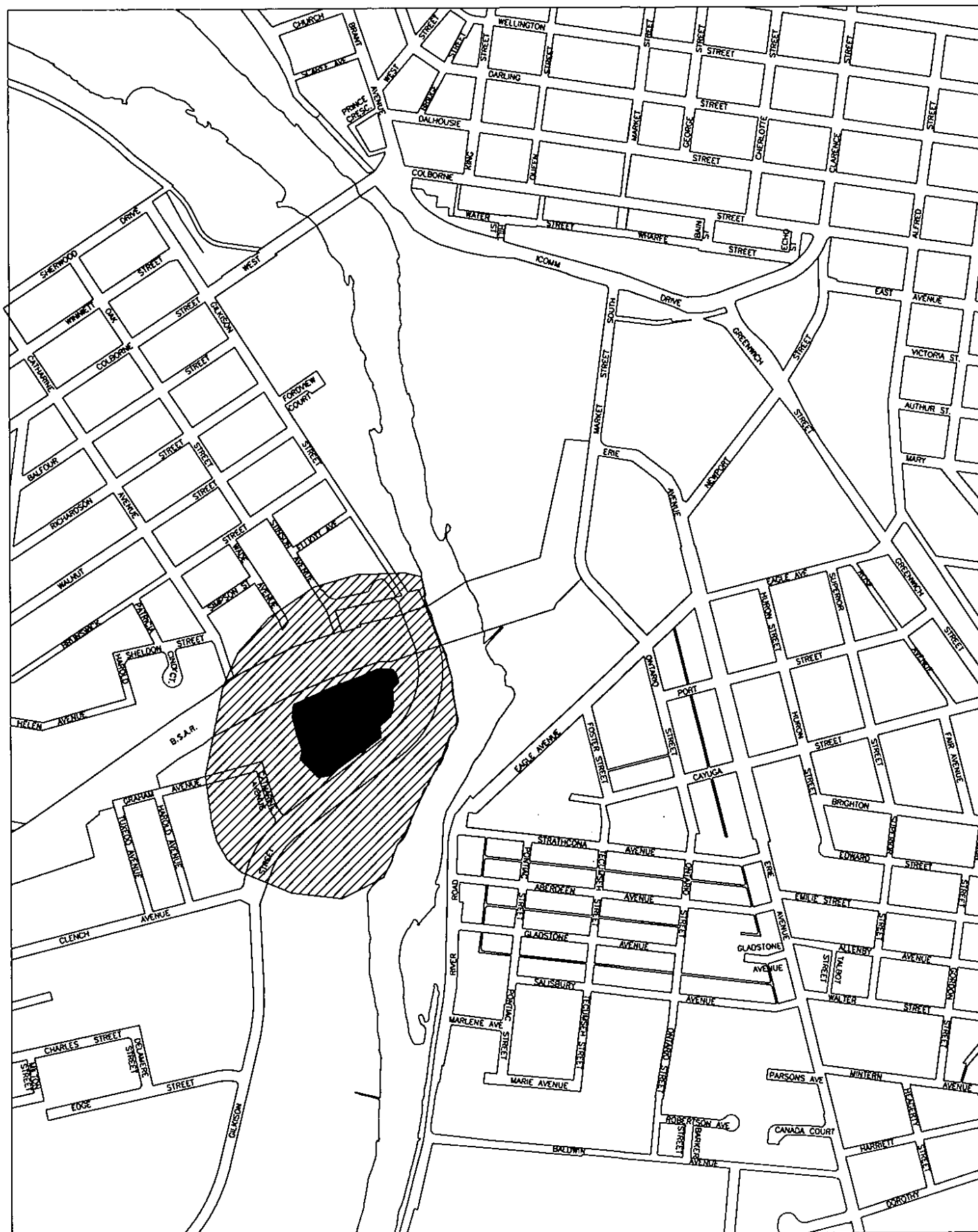


Figure C-1

Abandoned Landfill Site 3-1  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Methane Gas Assessment



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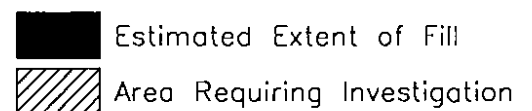
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Estimated Extent of Fill

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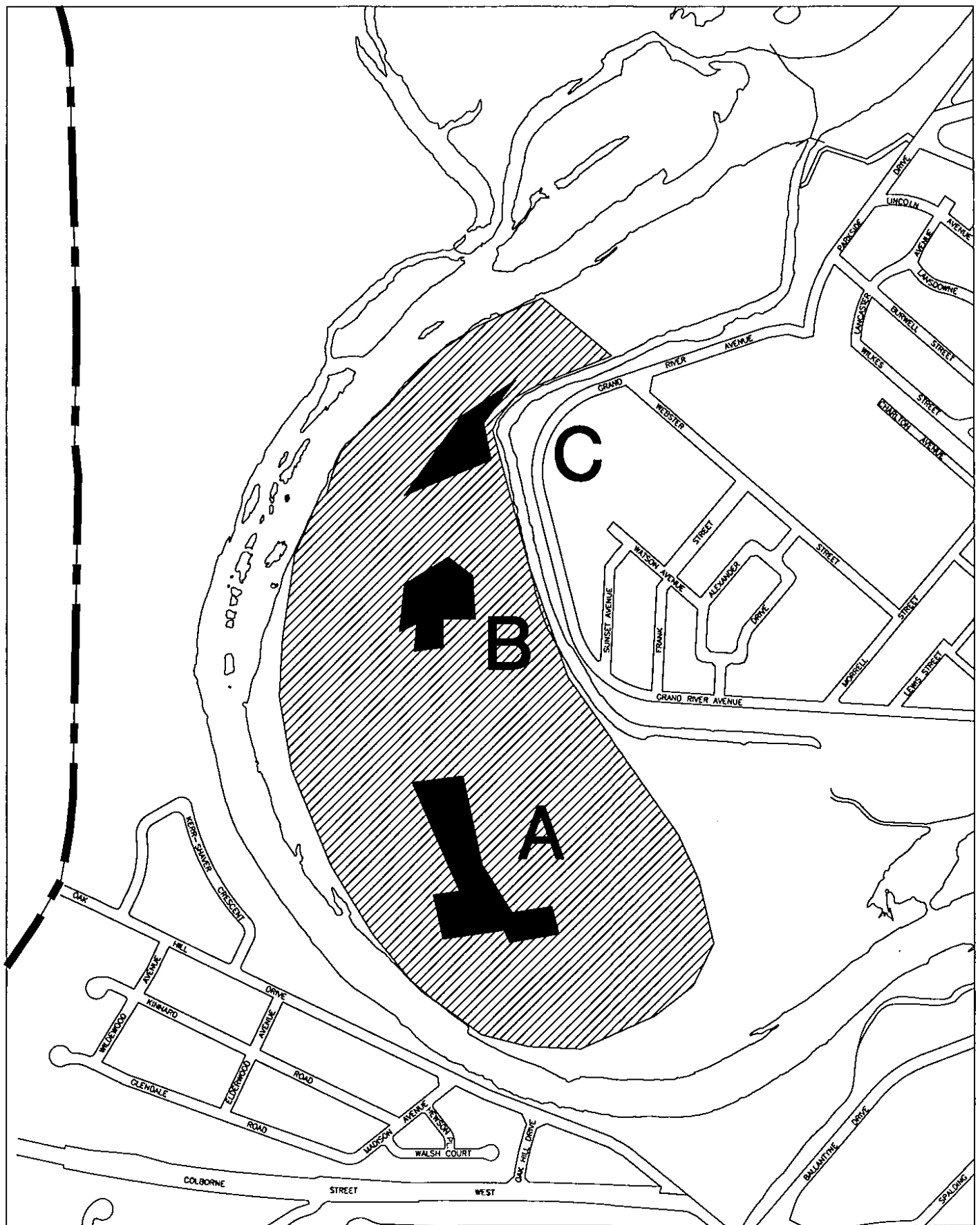


Figure C-3

Abandoned Landfill Site 3-3  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Methane Gas Assessment



0 metres 100 200 300

### Legend

- Estimated Extent of Fill
- Area Requiring Investigation



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**CATEGORY 4 ABANDONED LANDFILL SITES**

Category 4 sites are those that are both actively generating significant quantities of methane gas and are adversely impacting groundwater. Geotechnical and environmental investigations should also be conducted on the landfills prior to any proposed change in land use. The environmental assessments should follow the principles of the Ministry of Environment A Guideline for Use at Contaminated Sites in Ontario. Investigations for methane gas and groundwater impact should be conducted on adjacent lands prior to any proposed change in land use on the adjacent lands.

A former municipal landfill located beneath the City's Water Pollution Control Plant and a former municipal landfill beneath Burnley Park are the only Category 4 sites.

Methane gas is the primary concern at both of the Category 4 sites because the City has taken measures to control off-site migration of impacted groundwater.

Investigations for methane gas should be conducted within a radius of 80 metres the Category 4 sites as shown on Figures D-1 and D-2 of this appendix. These investigations should be conducted in the same fashion as described for Category 3 sites.

The City has installed a groundwater collection trench parallel to Morrison Road, which intercepts and collects impacted groundwater migrating away from Site 4-1. This trench also acts to vent methane gas along this side of the former landfill. Therefore, the only potential off-site impact is methane gas that may migrate northward across Mohawk Street.

The City has also installed an interceptor trench down gradient of Site 4-2 to collect shallow groundwater impacted by the landfill. Therefore, no zone of investigation for groundwater impact is shown on Figure D-2.



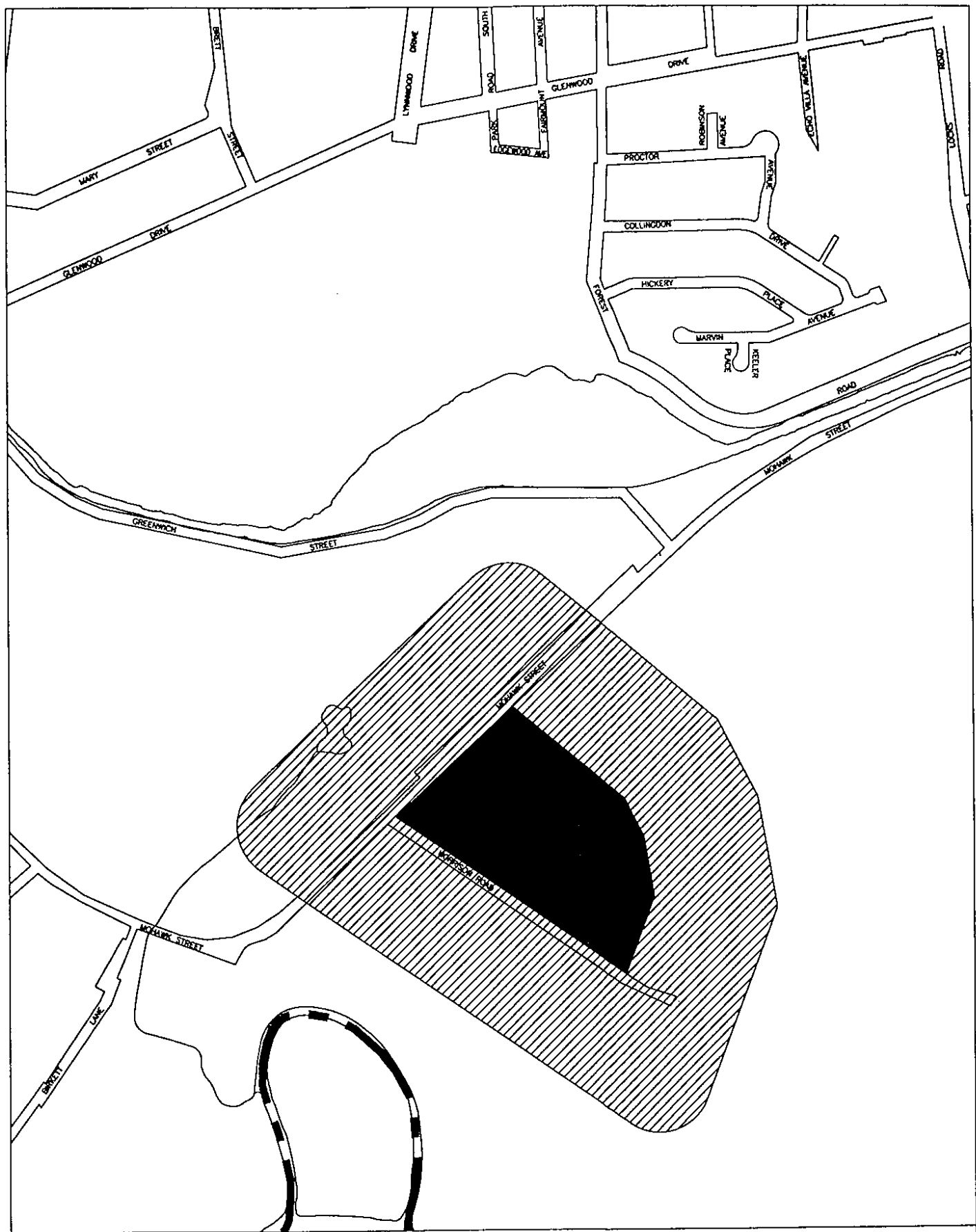


Figure D-1

Abandoned Landfill Site 4-1  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Methane Gas Assessment



0 metres 100 200 300

### Legend

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- Area Requiring Investigation



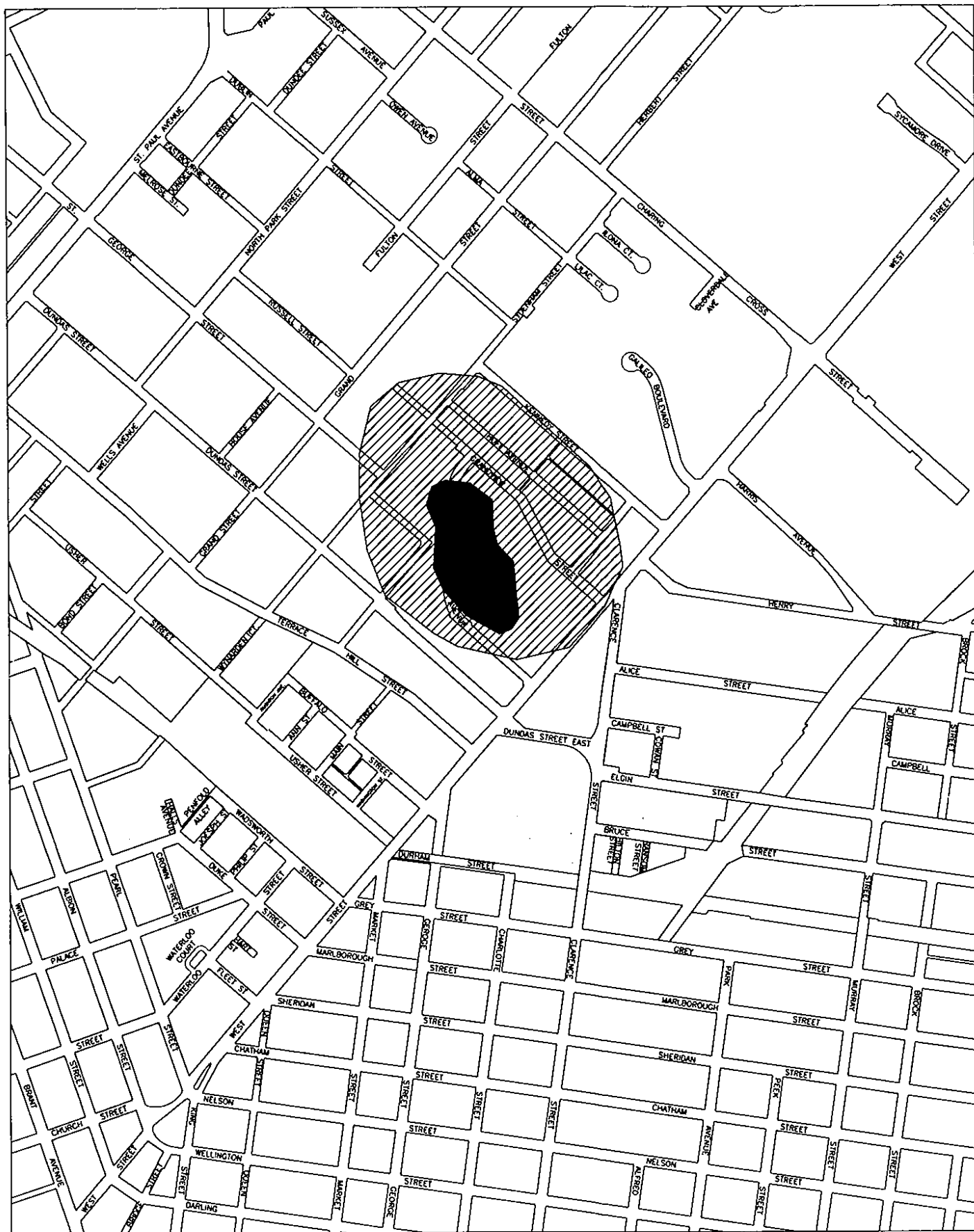


Figure D-2

Abandoned Landfill Site 4-2  
Required Investigation Zone  
for Methane Gas Assessment



0 metres 100 200 300

### Legend

- Estimated Extent of Fill
- Area Requiring Investigation



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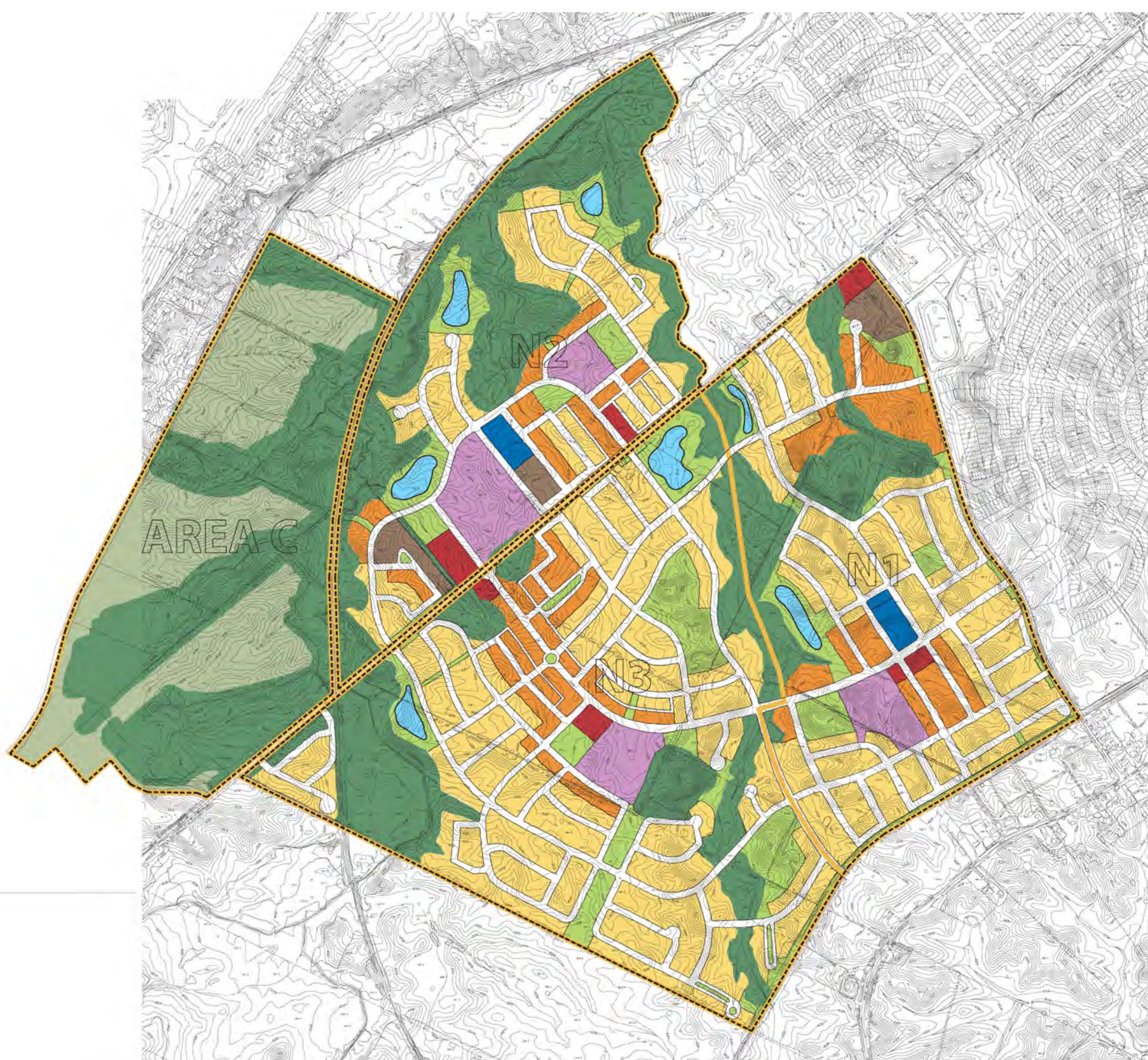
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## **1.0 Introduction**

The West of Conklin Secondary Plan is designed based on achieving a community that is diverse in use and population, is scaled to the pedestrian, can accommodate private automobiles and transit vehicles, and has a well designed and high quality public realm. The Plan is also premised on achieving high quality urban design, including measures to ensure:

- a standardized and highly interconnected pattern of lotting for development blocks;
- consistent built form;
- safety, accessibility and comfort in the pedestrian environment;
- achievement of an overall density within each neighbourhood of at least 50 residents and employees per net hectare; and,
- support for transit services throughout the community.

This Demonstration Plan and Urban Design Guidelines document have been prepared in conjunction with the Southwest Brantford, West of Conklin Secondary Plan. The purpose of this document is to provide a demonstration of how the principles of the Secondary Plan could be realistically applied to future development and further detail as to how the City's vision and design objectives are to be achieved.

The Urban Design Guidelines provide design principles and specific guidelines for both the public and private sectors. While they are intended as a reference, they indicate the City of Brantford's expectations with respect to the character, quality and form of development in the West of Conklin community. The guidelines also provide the City of Brantford's staff with an objective, consistent evaluation framework to assess development applications.



## **2.0 The Demonstration Plan**

The Demonstration Plan identifies three neighbourhoods and Area C. They are described as follows:

- Area C is an unique area, with a complex and environmentally sensitive landscape. Further, more detailed, environmental, land use planning and engineering work is required prior to identifying any urban development forms in this area;
- Neighbourhood 1 (N1 on the Demonstration Plan) is south of Shellard Land and west of, and abutting Conklin Road. It incorporates approximately 95 gross hectares of land, of which about 53 hectares (56 percent) is developable. It is estimated that N1 will accommodate a minimum of 930 dwelling units, including single-detached and semi-detached houses, townhouses, and low-rise apartment dwellings. Small-scale retail uses, an elementary school and other institutional uses are also anticipated. The overall density of N1 will be in excess of 50 residents and employees per net hectare;
- Neighbourhood 2 (N2 on the Demonstration Plan) is located north of Shellard Lane, adjacent to D'Aubigny Creek. It incorporates approximately 88 gross hectares of land, of which about 32 (36 percent) is considered developable. It is estimated that N2 will accommodate a minimum of 510 dwelling units including single-detached and semi-detached houses, townhouses, and low-mid and/or high rise apartments. Moderately scaled retail uses, a Secondary School, an elementary school and other institutional uses are also anticipated. The overall density of N2 will be in excess of 50 residents and employees per net hectare; and,
- Neighbourhood 3 (N3 on the Demonstration Plan) is located south of Shellard Lane, west of N1. It incorporates approximately 128 gross hectares of land, of which about 58 hectares (45 percent) is considered developable. It is estimated that N3 will accommodate a minimum of 985 dwelling units including single-detached and semi-detached housing, townhouses and low-rise apartments. Small scaled retail uses and an elementary school are also anticipated. The overall density of N3 will be in excess of 50 residents and employees per net hectare.

These Urban Design Guidelines include a Demonstration Plan. It is the intention of the Demonstration Plan to provide an example of community development utilizing the policies of the Secondary Plan. It is not intended that the Demonstration Plan be interpreted as the only community development alternative. As such, no formal amendment process is required to promote a Neighbourhood Design Plan or Draft Plan of Subdivision, that is different from the Demonstration Plan, provided that the City is satisfied that the goals and objectives of the Secondary Plan are achieved.



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The Demonstration Plan illustrates the planning principles that are inherent to the Secondary Plan. It is one example of how the Secondary Plan might be implemented within the Secondary Plan Area. The Demonstration Plan itself does not require any formal Amendment process to implement an alternative design solution, or solutions at any time in the future.

The Demonstration Plan for the Southwest Brantford, West of Conklin Study Area, was the result of a design process that was carried out over a 4-day workshop held in Brantford (June 7-10, 2006). The Plan developed at the workshop has been subsequently refined as additional information was received over subsequent months. The Demonstration Plan, which appears on the following page, includes the following features:

- neighbourhood centres that are within a 5-minute walk of the majority of the community and provide local retail services and a neighbourhood focus;
- a linked greenlands system that connects natural/environmental features, open spaces, parks, schools, storm water management ponds and the neighbourhood centres;
- protection of all significant natural heritage features while incorporating them into a larger system providing for pedestrian and cycling trails;
- reinforcing neighbourhood centres by focusing medium and higher density residential uses and institutional uses on adjacent lands; and,
- a highly interconnected road pattern with a collector road system that is within a 5-minute walking distance of most future residents, which is specifically intended to support future transit services in the community.



### **3.0 Design Guidelines for the Public Realm**

The public realm within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area comprises public roads, lanes, open spaces/parks, natural heritage features and their associated buffers, storm water management facilities and the public use activity areas of other public lands and private development sites and buildings. Further, it is the intent of the Plan to link all of the components of the public realm with a connected system of trails, bicycle paths and sidewalks.

This section of the document provides general guidance for the design of all the components of the public realm. These Guidelines are to be read in conjunction with the policies of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan.

#### **3.1 General**

1. To promote safety and security in public places, including roads, parks and open spaces, schools, public transit routes and the public use activity areas of buildings, the following measures are necessary:
  - the design and siting of new buildings shall provide opportunities for visual overlook and ease of physical access to adjacent roads, parks and open spaces;
  - clear, unobstructed views to parks and open spaces shall be provided from the adjoining roads;
  - appropriate lighting, visibility and opportunities for informal surveillance shall be provided for all walkways, parking lots, garages and outdoor amenity areas; and,
  - public use activity areas located within buildings shall be located at-grade and oriented to the public road.
2. To ensure ease of access for the pedestrian and the enjoyment of public roads and other outdoor spaces, the following measures are necessary:
  - the principle access to the required service areas on the lot is from the exterior side yard,
  - public-oriented spaces and activity areas, including building entrances, terraces and porches, will be oriented toward public roads;
  - provision of a consistent level of streetscape design, incorporating such elements as appropriate paving, planting, fencing, lighting and signage; and,
  - avoiding the location of building ventilation systems in pedestrian areas.



## **3.2 Roads**

### **General**

1. Provide a grid of arterial, collector and local roads and associated public open spaces that organize development, is pedestrian friendly, is highly connected and supports transit.
2. Ensure that the road pattern creates development blocks that are logical and achieve an orderly pattern of development.
3. Provide access for vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles, opportunities for vistas, view corridors and pedestrian amenity areas, and space for utilities and services.
4. Design all streetscape elements such as paving patterns, seating, and signage, to be consistent and complementary to the character of the community.
5. Design street lighting with regard for vehicular and pedestrian requirements so that the size, height, and style of lighting reflect the hierarchy of the road.
6. Locate all utilities underground. Where components of utilities must be located above ground, they should be located either in a rear lane or along the street tree planting line to minimize clutter and disruption of the road's character.



*Residential units define the street edge*



*Utilizing lanes for more than garage access*



*A residential road with street trees and planted centre median*

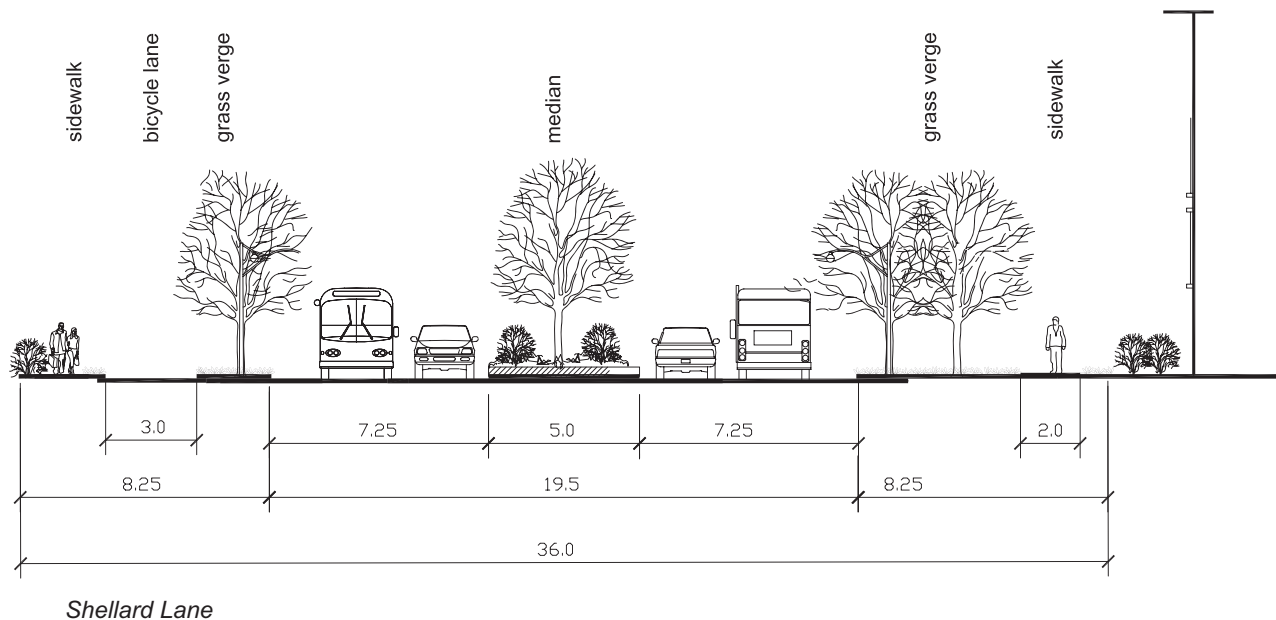


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### Shellard Lane (Arterial Road)

*Shellard Lane provides access within the Secondary Plan Area, its surrounding neighbourhoods and the broader City of Brantford. It serves a range of travel modes, including passenger vehicles, transit and bicycles.*

1. Shellard Lane shall have a maximum right-of-way of 36.0 metres.
2. The road surface, including a median/left-turn lane, shall be a maximum of 19.5 metres.
3. Boulevards on both sides of the pavement area shall be a minimum of 8.25 metres, and will include a grass verge, street trees and 2.0 metre sidewalks on both sides. One boulevard will accommodate a 3.0 metre dedicated bicycle path.
4. A centre median shall be a minimum of 5.0 metres. It will include street trees, shrubs and ground covers.
5. Transit facilities may be accommodated on Shellard Lane.
6. Individual, direct access from any development site to Shellard Lane shall not be permitted.
7. Buildings that abut Shellard Lane shall present a facade with architectural detailing and landscape features that address the Shellard Lane frontage. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted adjacent to Shellard Lane





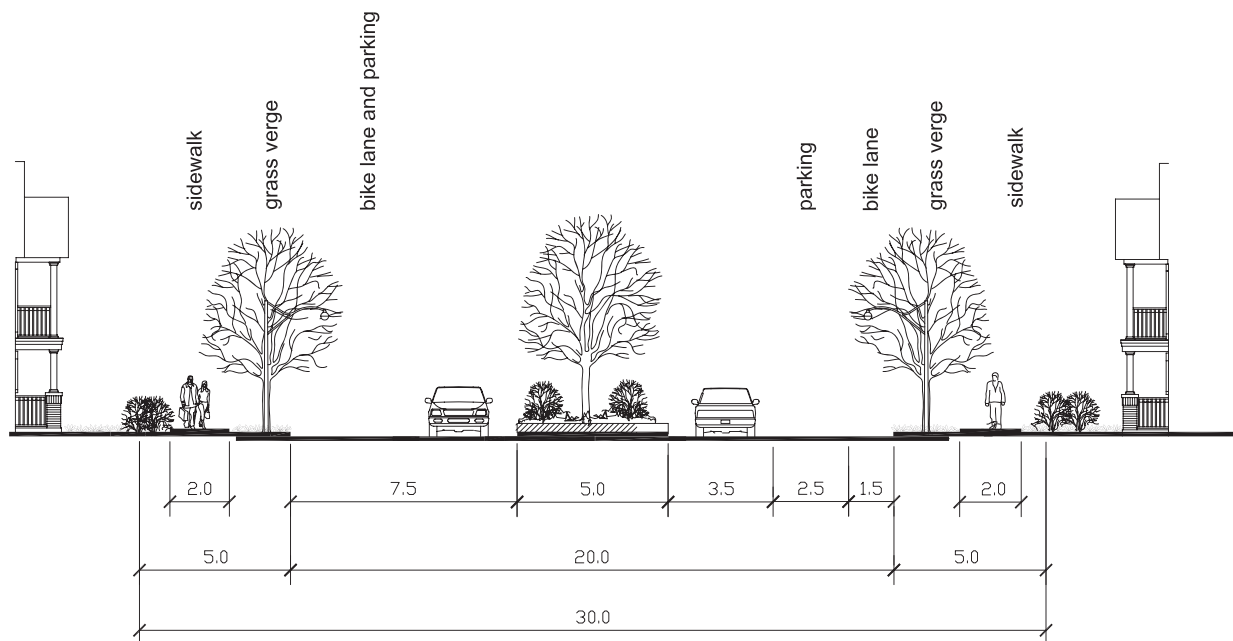
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### Collector Roads

*Collector Roads provide important connections between residential neighbourhoods and other community functions. They typically define the community structure.*

#### Major Collector Road with Median

1. Major Collector Roads with a median shall have a maximum right-of-way width of 30.0 metres.
2. The road surface, including a median, a shared parking/cycling lane in each direction shall be a maximum of 20.0 metres.
3. Boulevards on both sides of the pavement area shall be a minimum of 5.0 metres and will include a grass verge, street trees and 2.0 metre sidewalks on both sides.
4. A centre median shall be a minimum of 5.0 metres. It will include street trees, shrubs and ground covers.



Major Collector Road with Median



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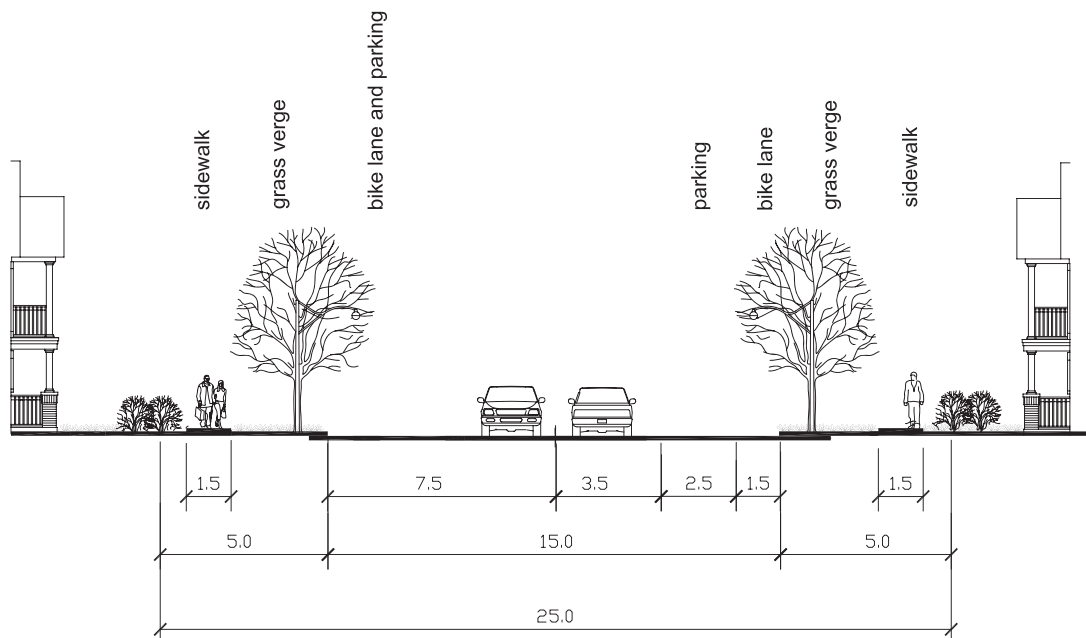
5. Transit facilities may be accommodated on any Major Collector Road.
6. Individual direct access to any development site abutting a Major Collector Road shall be limited to minimize disruptions to traffic flow and to maximize safety and the attractiveness of the road. Within any area designated as a Village Centre or Neighbourhood Centre within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan, individual direct access from a Major Collector Road to any development site shall not be permitted.
7. Buildings that abut Major Collector Roads with Medians shall present a facade with architectural detailing and landscape features that address the road frontage. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted adjacent to any Major Collector Road.



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### Major Collector Road

1. Major Collector Roads with no medians shall have a maximum right-of-way of 25.0 metres.
2. Road surface should be 15.0 metres, including a shared parking/cycling lane in each direction and an optional parking lay-by on both sides of the road.
3. Boulevards on both sides of the pavement shall be a minimum of 5.0 metres and will accommodate a grass verge with street trees and 1.5 metre sidewalks on both sides.
4. Transit facilities may be located on any Major Collector Road.
5. Individual direct access to any development site shall be limited to minimize disruptions to traffic flow and to maximize safety and the attractiveness of the road. Within any area designated as a Village Centre, or Neighbourhood Centre within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan, individual direct access to any development site shall not be permitted.
6. Buildings that abut Major Collector Roads shall present a facade with architectural detailing and landscape features that address the road frontage. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted adjacent to any Major Collector Road.



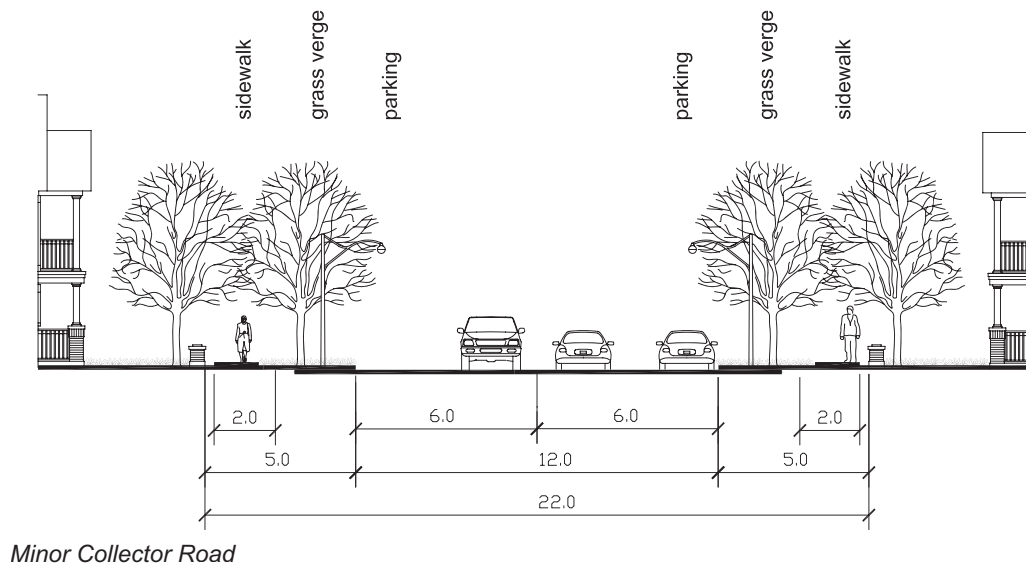
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### Minor Collector Road

1. Minor Collector Roads shall have a maximum right-of-way of 22.0 metres.
2. The road surface, including parking lanes on both sides of the road shall be a maximum of 12.0 metres.
3. Boulevards on both sides of the pavement area shall be a minimum of 5.0 metres, and will include a grass verge with street trees and 2.0 metre sidewalks on both sides.
4. Individual, direct access from a Minor Collector Road is permitted, with the exception of within the Village Centre, where it is not permitted.
5. Transit facilities may be located on any Minor Collector Road.
6. Buildings that abut Minor Collector Roads shall present a facade with architectural detailing and landscape features that address the road frontage. Reverse frontage development shall not be permitted adjacent to any Minor Collector Road.

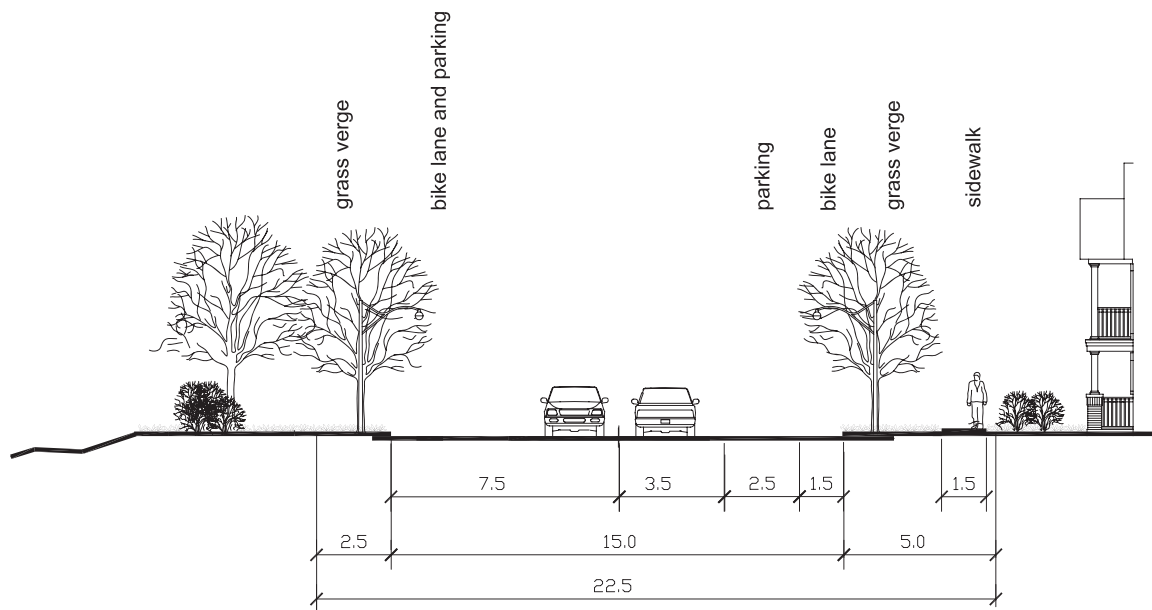




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### Single-Loaded Collector Road

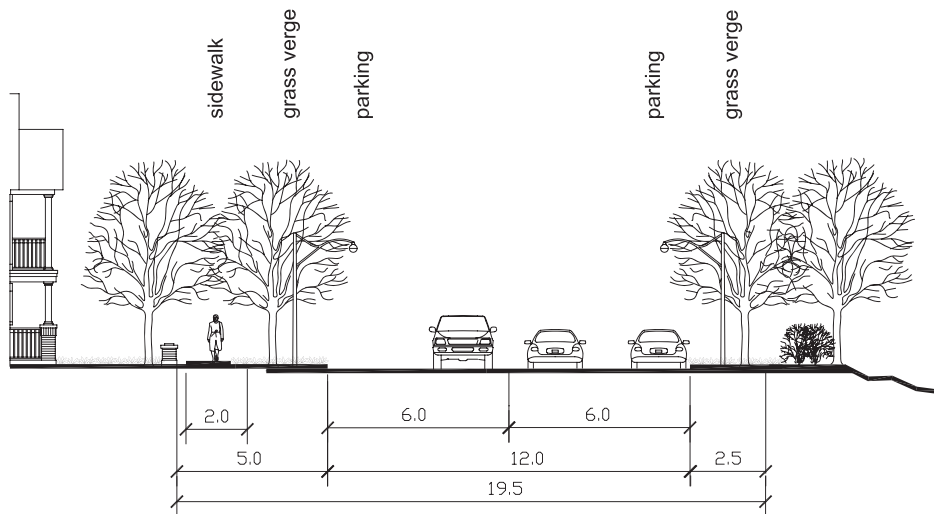
1. Single-loaded Collector Roads are an attractive component of any community, providing visual and physical access to the greenlands system. They are also considered a cost penalty to the land developer. As such, in order to promote the inclusion of single-loaded roads, and to minimize the cost penalty, reduced boulevards are considered appropriate.
2. Where a Collector Road abuts a publicly owned storm water management feature, open space, parkland or an environmental feature, the boulevard that abuts the publicly owned lands may be reduced.
3. For any Major Collector Road, the boulevard width on the side of the greenlands feature may be reduced from 5.0 metres to 2.5 metres, reducing the overall right-of-way required by 2.5 metres.
4. For any Minor Collector Road, the boulevard width on the side of the greenlands feature may be reduced from 5.0 metres to 2.5 metres, reducing the overall right-of-way width by 2.5 metres.



Single-Loaded Major Collector Road



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*Single-Loaded Minor Collector Road*



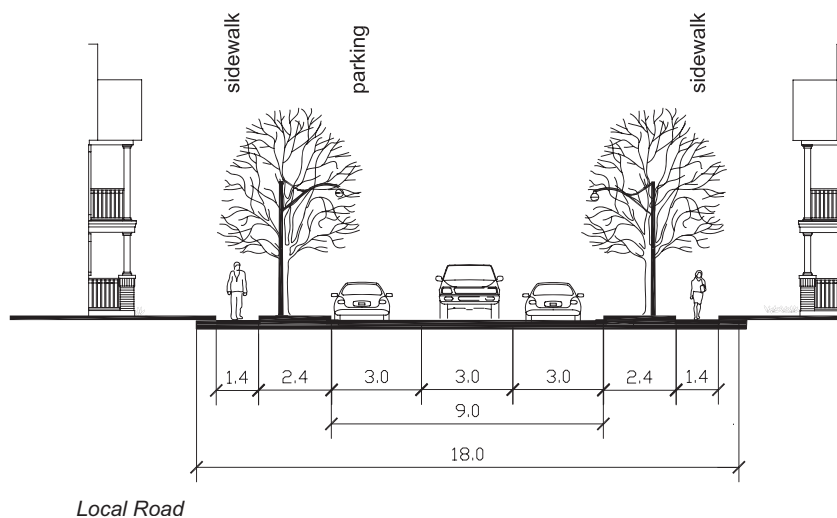
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### Local Roads

*Local Roads connect to Collector roads and link with public spaces.*

#### Local Road

1. Local Roads should be designed with a maximum right-of-way width of 18.0 metres.
2. The road surface, including a parking lane on one side of the road (that could alternate to both sides of the road) shall be a maximum of 9.0 metres.
3. Boulevards on both sides of the pavement will accommodate a grass verge with street trees and 1.4 metre sidewalks on both sides.
4. Individual direct access onto Local Roads is permitted.
5. Buildings that abut Local Roads shall present a facade with architectural detailing and landscape features that address the road frontage.
6. Local Roads that are single loaded may include a 16.0 metre right-of-way, and a reduced boulevard abutting the publicly owned storm water management feature, open space, parkland or an environmental feature.



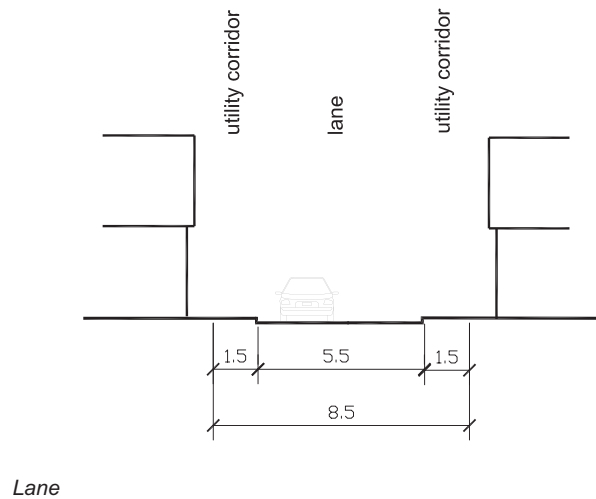


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### Lanes

*Lanes provide access to private garage facilities.*

1. Lanes should be provided on roads where garages and front driveways will detract from the character of a special location, such as along Shellard Lane and/or the Major Collector Road which connects the Village Centre and Neighbourhood Centres.
2. Lanes shall have a maximum right-of-way of 8.5 metres.
3. The road surface shall be a maximum of 5.5 metres and shall include a 1.5 metre utility corridor on either side of the lane.
4. The use of permeable materials shall be encouraged in lane construction in areas where sufficient drainage exists.





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## Green Streets

*Green Streets serve a special function in the community in that they provide for increased permeability and pedestrian connections within the community. They are meant to encourage pedestrian travel through neighbourhoods and/or open space features and are desirable features in themselves. They are unpaved right-of-ways, that have buildings facing into them.*

1. Green Streets can only be implemented in combination with a rear public Lane.
2. Green Streets should have a similar width as Local Roads with a maximum right-of-way of 18.5 metres.
3. Green Streets should have two 1.5 metres sidewalks with space on both sides to accommodate a double row of trees.
4. Green Streets will be mainly sodded with enhanced landscaping adjacent to residences to reinforce the special character of these roads and encourage pedestrian activity.
5. Green Streets can accommodate underground utilities as well as emergency access.



*Dwellings fronting onto a green street have direct walkway connections*



*Traffic circle with mountable apron and planting*

## Traffic Circles

*Traffic Circles are intended to calm traffic and direct traffic flows without necessarily requiring stop signs at intersections. The open spaces created in the traffic circles add to the character of neighbourhoods.*

1. Whenever Traffic Circles are used, they should be significant landscape features, as well as traffic calming devices.
2. The design of a Traffic Circle should ensure ease of snow removal and maintenance.
3. The minimum radius for a Traffic Circle should be in accordance with Table 2.

**Table 2: Standards for Traffic Circles**

Intersection	Inscribed Circle Radius (i.e outside circle dimension)	Radius of Inside Circle (at Mountable Apron)	Turning Road Width
Local-Local	12	6	6
Collector-Local or Collector-Collector	15	8	7
Arterial-Single Lane	20	12	8
Arterial-Double Lane	27.5	18.4	9.1



### **3.3 Guidelines to Support Transit**

1. Transit stops should be located as close to intersections as possible, and their location coordinated with neighbourhood trail connections and building entrances.
2. Transit shelters should be designed with transparent sides for maximum visibility to and from the interior, so that transit users can see approaching buses and to maximize pedestrian safety.
3. Shelters should be located on the boulevard adjacent to the pavement to maximize passenger convenience.
4. Curbside transit stop loading areas should be a clear, hard surface area 1.5 to 2 metres wide in front of a shelter should be provided to permit safe exit by passengers, including wheelchair users. In all cases, shelters should be set back 0.5 metres from curbs and sidewalks to protect them from damage by snowplows.
5. Surface texture changes should be provided at transit stops to assist the visually challenged in locating the stop and/or shelter location.
6. Where four-sided transit shelters are not possible, overhead open-air canopies should be provided to protect transit users from sun, rain and snow.
7. Benches and other roadside furniture such as waste baskets, bike racks, telephones, notice boards, newspaper boxes and refuse containers should be concentrated at bus stops within the Village Centre and Neighbourhood Centres to maximize their barrier free utility and create active public space.



*Transit shelter with transparent sides provides maximum visibility*



*Transit shelter with overhead canopy*



### **3.4 Guidelines for Greenlands**

*The Greenlands System is a major functional and aesthetic component of a neighbourhood and should be designed to provide a fair distribution of amenity spaces for a range of users, in a linked network.*

#### **Natural Heritage Features**

1. Significant natural heritage features within the Secondary Plan Area shall be protected and integrated into the community greenlands system.
2. Natural heritage features should be physically and visually accessible from the abutting roads.
3. Preservation of existing vegetation should be encouraged. Where necessary, indigenous and ecologically complementary planting should be encouraged.

#### **Neighbourhood Parks**

1. Neighbourhood Parks within the Secondary Plan Area are expected to be diverse in scale, function and character. Currently, 10 Neighbourhood Parks have been identified on the Demonstration Plan. They range in size from 0.5 of a hectare to 3.5 hectares. (See Park and Trails Plan)
2. Each Neighbourhood Park is located to perform a particular function within its context. Generally, they are located to be a neighbourhood focal point, are adjacent to a school and/or are integrated with an adjacent natural heritage feature.
3. Neighbourhood Parks will provide opportunities for active and passive recreation for residents within a 400-metre radius (a 5 minute walk). Generally, they may include elements such as play structures, informal playgrounds, seating, hard surface areas, shaded areas under tree canopies or open air structures, group mailboxes, lighting, distinctive tree, shrub and ground cover planting.
4. Neighbourhood Parks should have significant road frontage on all four sides. At a minimum, parks shall front on at least two public roads.
5. Pedestrian access to parks should be clearly defined with landscape or architectural elements to ensure an appealing park presence.
6. Park design should ensure visual privacy for adjoining residents.
7. Where fencing is required, the design should be consistent around the perimeter of the park.
8. Street trees should be planted along the edge of parks, while not



*Retaining natural heritage features contributes to sense of place*



*Residential units front directly onto a park*



*Community mailbox adjacent to a park*



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screening the view into parks.

9. Seating and shade areas should be designed in concert with pathways and play areas.

### Urban Squares/Parkettes

1. An Urban Square is a small publicly accessible, primarily hard-surfaced open space built in conjunction with an adjacent building. A Parkette is a small component of the public open space system, that is typically soft surfaced and green. A parkette is most likely a park that connects larger pieces of the greenlands system.
2. Urban Squares/Parkettes shall be dispersed throughout the community. They are expected to provide key connecting links, and enhance the overall greenlands system.
3. Urban Square/Parkettes should be located on visible road frontages and their entries should be clearly defined through landscape treatment and built form elements.
4. Design should provide a focal area or feature that gives character and provides for a range of passive and informal uses.
5. Pathways within Urban Squares/Parkettes should connect to pedestrian sidewalks and trails.
6. View corridors terminating at an Urban Square/Parkette should be highlighted through landscape treatment and/or built form elements.
7. Plant material and construction materials should contribute to the distinctive character of Urban Squares/Parkettes.
8. Community mailboxes and information boards should be considered in Urban Squares/Parkettes.

### Gateways

1. Streetscaping features at identified gateway corners shall include enhanced landscaping and coordinated fencing to frame the entry into the community (See Parks and Trails Plan).
2. Gateway features, such as community signage, low walls, fencing or enhanced landscape treatment, shall be incorporated in the design of entry road intersection and shall be coordinated in design and materials with adjacent structures and consistent along main road right-of-way.
3. Primary roads into the community should include a planted centre median and other design features to signify their importance.
4. Intersections should have distinctive surface treatment for pedestrian crossings, including wider sidewalks and connections



*Street trees enhance the visual appearance of the park*



*Neighbourhood parkette*



*Parkettes create spaces for people to gather in*



*Landscaped gateway*



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to bus shelters.

5. Noise attenuation features should be the last option for uses flanking onto the gateway sites. Where they occur, the material and architectural details shall compliment the adjacent structures, include landscaping and reflect the fencing details of community-wide fence standards.

### Trail System

1. The highly interconnected trails system is identified conceptually on the Parks and Trails Plan. The trails system includes trails within natural features, storm water management facilities, open spaces and parks and the road system - sidewalks and bicycle paths.
2. Trail design and type will be based on each site's sensitivity in order to minimize environmental impacts.
3. Trails for pedestrians and cyclists shall be a maximum of 3.0 metres wide. Pedestrian-only-trails shall be a maximum of 2.0 metres wide.
4. Trails will be designed to accommodate a range of users and abilities. Slopes, where possible, should be under 5 percent. Curb-cuts must be provided to improve access at road crossings. The use of permeable materials shall be encouraged in trail construction in areas where sufficient drainage exists.
5. Trails should be clearly signed regarding permitted use and speed. Wayfinding signage shall be provided throughout the trail network.
6. Benches and garbage receptacles should be provided at trail heads and at regular intervals along the route.
7. Trails located in proximity to sensitive natural features, or adjacent to storm water management facilities should incorporate interpretive signage at various locations to promote stewardship initiatives that will protect and enhance the features and functions of the natural environment.



*Trail system*



*Trails provide opportunities for recreation*

### Storm Water Management Facilities

1. Storm water management facilities will be key features within the community contributing to the appearance and ambience, while achieving functional objectives related to flow moderation and water quality.
2. Ponds should be designed as multi-celled systems with a sediment forebay or alternative pre-treatment system and wet pond or wetland component and will be designed to achieve water quality (including thermal targets) and quantity control targets set out by the Ministry of the Environment, the Conservation Authority and the City of Brantford.



*Pond enhancing natural landscape*



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3. Where possible, ponds should include a permanent pool with an average depth of 1.2 to 1.5 metres and isolated deeper sections. Water depth will be varied and the length of the flow path from inlet to outlet maximized to enhance effectiveness and mitigate re-suspension of accumulated sediments. Ponds will achieve water quality targets by settling out sediments and contaminants, diluting storm water and arresting contaminants through biological uptake.
4. Storm water management ponds should be designed to include a high length to width ratio to provide greater opportunities for open water to be shaded, and to assist in achieving thermal targets for water quality.
5. Native species and flood tolerant water's edge plants, including a mixture of herbaceous and woody vegetation, shall be planted to stabilize banks of ponds. The perimeter of the permanent pool shall be planted with emergent, strand and submergent species to improve the aesthetics and enhance the performance of the facility.
6. Ponds are envisioned to blend with the natural landscape, therefore, geometric forms and standard slope gradients will be avoided in favour of organic shapes and landform grading designed to replicate natural landforms in the area. Inlet and outlet structures will be concealed using a combination of planting, grading and natural stone.
7. Where there is a need to discourage public access to areas around the perimeter of the ponds, living fences and barrier plantings will be utilized in place of fencing. Barrier plantings will be comprised of multiple rows of predominantly thorn bearing shrub species planted at a spacing of 0.6 to 0.9 metres contingent on species. Barrier plantings will be installed along the crest of steep slopes, adjacent deep-water areas and around inlet and outlet structures.
8. Ponds will not be fenced, but rather will be designed with trails, overlooks and interpretive signage so that they are an integral part of the greenlands system.



*Ponds provide opportunities to create unique neighbourhood features*



*Playground adjacent to a storm water management feature*



*A pedestrian/cycling trail adjacent to a pond*



## **4.0 Design Guidelines for the Private Realm**

The private realm within the West of Conklin Secondary Plan Area is comprised of the built form development blocks and their relationship to open space and road with respect to their location. The residential, institutional and commercial/mixed use buildings within a community contribute to its character and can assist in further defining and complementing the public realm.

This section of the document provides general guidance for the design of built form and how it should address the streetscape and open space in the private realm. These Guidelines are to be read in conjunction with the policies of the West of Conklin Secondary Plan.

### **4.1 All Development**

#### **Development Blocks and Lots**

1. All the available urban lands are to be subdivided into a series of development blocks, defined by a modified rectilinear grid system of public roads and lanes.
2. The size and configuration of each development block will:
  - be appropriate to its intended use;
  - facilitate and promote pedestrian movement; and,
  - provide a sufficient number and, where appropriate, a range of building lots to achieve cost effective and efficient development.
3. Each development lot in a block will:
  - have frontage on a public road; and,
  - be of sufficient size and appropriate configuration to accommodate development that reflects the planning and urban design policies set out in this Secondary Plan and companion Demonstration Plan and the Urban Design Guidelines.
4. A lot that does not have frontage on a public road may be permitted, provided the front lot line adjoins public open space fronting a public road, and the rear lot line adjoins, and has access from a rear lane (a "Green Street").
5. Development lots within either the Neighbourhood Centre or Village Centre designations, having substantial frontage on Shellard Lane and/or a Major Collector Road, may be permitted to have a second access to parking from either Shellard Lane and/or a Major Collector Road provided:
  - the lot contains a comprehensively designed mixed use development;



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- the principle access to the required service areas on the lot is from the exterior side yard,
- the need for a second access to parking can be demonstrated to be necessary to facilitate the development pattern, but will not interfere with, or promote unsafe traffic and pedestrian movement; and,
- the development pattern is otherwise consistent with the provisions of this Secondary Plan and the Demonstration Plan and the Urban Design Guidelines.

### **Built Form**

1. A full range of housing types and tenures should be provided to make a variety of housing options available to the community.
2. Development should be designed to achieve a high degree of environmental sustainability within the community.
3. Architectural styles of individual units and blocks should be sensitive to and complement each other.
4. A variety of architectural elements such as entry porches, dormers, material detailing will be employed to create a distinctive character for each block.
5. New development will be compatible with adjacent and neighbouring development by ensuring that the siting and massing of new buildings does not result in undue adverse impacts on adjacent properties particularly in regard to adequate privacy conditions for residential buildings and their outdoor amenity areas.

To ensure that building compatibility is achieved, the implementing zoning by-laws will establish consistent relationships between buildings and their associated property limits.

6. To support public transit and for reasons of public safety and convenience, primary building entrances to principle buildings shall be clearly visible and located on a public road or onto public open spaces.

Access from sidewalks and public open space areas to primary building entrances shall be convenient and direct, with minimum changes in grade, and shall be accessible to people who are mobility challenged.

7. To minimize disruptions to traffic flow and to maximize safety and the attractiveness of Shellard Lane and the Major Collector Roads, individual direct vehicular access shall be minimized, and, in some cases prohibited, in accordance with the policies of this Secondary Plan.



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8. To enhance the quality and safety of the public streetscapes the construction of parking lots/structures which occupy significant proportions of the at-grade frontage of public roads shall not be permitted.
9. To reduce the impact of surface parking and to provide at grade amenity areas the provision of structured parking shall be encouraged for higher density forms of development in the Village Centre and Neighbourhood Centre designations. Where it is not feasible to locate parking in structures either below or above grade, parking should be located to the rear of principle buildings and/or within the exterior side yard.

### **Location of Buildings with Respect to Roads and Open Space**

1. To reinforce the road, lane and block pattern, the following measures will be employed:
  - all buildings will be aligned parallel to a public road;
  - buildings will be located in proximity to the property line adjoining the public road;
  - siting and massing of buildings will provide a consistent relationship, continuity and enclosure to the public roads;
  - buildings located adjacent to, or at the edge of parks and open spaces will provide opportunities for overlook into the open space;
  - the massing, siting and scale of buildings located adjacent to, or along the edge of a park or open space will create a degree of enclosure or definition appropriate to the type of open space they enclose; and,
  - buildings of significant public use or architectural merit may be sited to specifically differ from the surrounding urban fabric in order to emphasize their importance as landmarks.



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### **Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Principles**

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design or “CPTED” is an approach to crime prevention that takes into account the relationship between the physical environment and the users of that environment. The application of CPTED to urban design assists in the creations of spaces that are perceived as being safe.

There are four overlapping CPTED design strategies, namely:

- Natural surveillance;
- natural access control;
- territorial reinforcement; and,
- target hardening.

The guiding principle is “know thy neighbour”. Street and homes should be designed to encourage interaction between neighbours: good examples of these design elements are the front porch and property lines that are defined simply by low shrubbery instead of high fences. Below is a summary of CPTED guidelines applicable to residential buildings (detached, semis, links and townhouses):

#### **1. Natural Access Control**

- Walkways and landscaping direct visitors to the proper entrance and away from private areas.

#### **2. Natural Surveillance**

- All doorways that open to the outside should be well lit;
- the front door should be at least partially visible from the street;
- the front door should be flush with the wall of the dwelling (minimize recessed/alcoves);
- windows on all sides of the house provide full visibility of property;
- sidewalks and all areas of the yard should be well lit;
- the driveway should be visible from either the front or back door and at least one window;
- the front door should be clearly visible from the driveway;
- properly maintained landscaping provides maximum viewing to, and from the house;



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- landscaping, follow principle of '3:7'- ground cover no higher than 3 feet and canopy no lower than 7 feet;
- window placement- location of windows should provide adequate surveillance of the property and street while respecting neighbours' privacy; and,
- projections-dwelling design should not contain projections that might effect surveillance either from the immediate property and the surrounding community from within the house as well as the surveillance of the property from its neighbour (Note: This consideration should apply equally to unique houses such as corner lots and those bordering parks and other open spaces).

### **3. Territorial Reinforcement**

- projections-dwelling design should not contain projections that might effect surveillance either from the immediate property and the surrounding community from within the house as well as the surveillance of the property from its neighbour (Note: This consideration should apply equally to unique houses such as corner lots and those bordering parks and other open spaces).
- Front porches or stoops create a transitional area between the street, and the home;
- property lines and private areas should be defined with plantings, pavement treatments; and,
- the street address should be clearly visible from the street with numbers a minimum of five inches high that are made of non-reflective materials.

### **4. Target Hardening**

- Interior doors that connect a garage to a building should have a single cylinder dead bolt lock;
- door locks should be located a minimum of 40 inches from adjacent windows;
- exterior doors should be hinged on the inside and should have a single cylinder dead bolt lock with a minimum one-inch throw;
- all windows should have locks; and,
- sliding glass doors should have one permanent door on the outside; the inside moving door should have a hooking device and a pin.



## **4.2 Residential Buildings**

### **Single Detached & Semi-Detached Houses**

1. Buildings must have front and exterior side facades parallel to the road with front doors, windows and entry features facing the road to create a consistent street wall.
2. The setback to the main building face should be from 4.5 to 6.0 metres from the edge of the right-of-way. The setback to a main building face, which could be the main front wall, second floor room over or beside the garage, or significant element such as a roofed porch or verandah.
3. Garages shall be set behind or flush with the main building face or accessed from a rear lane. Garage doors facing a public road, shall be set back a minimum of 6.0 metres from the road right-of-way. This guideline does not apply to Lanes.
4. Corner lots and homes facing or abutting parks are priority lots within the neighbourhood. The design of these homes shall include the following considerations:
  - where sides or flankage of buildings are visible, they should have windows, materials, and other architectural treatments equal to the front elevation of the house;
  - the main front entrance should be located on the exterior side elevation, corner windows and wrap-around porches should be included to emphasize a corner location; and
  - fencing around front and/or exterior side yards should not block the view of the sidewalk from the house; their height shall be limited to 1.2 metres, and they should be primarily open structures, not solid walls.
6. Porches, stairs, canopies and other entrance features can encroach into the required setbacks.
7. Entry features and other architectural elements shall be incorporated into the front elevation of the house to reduce the visual dominance of the garage and the front drive.
8. Shared or grouped driveways will be encouraged to reduce the amount of asphalt on front yards.

### **Townhouses**

1. The siting, massing, and facade design of townhouse units shall be coordinated on a block-by-block basis.
2. The elevation of the townhouse block shall be articulated in a manner that provides variation between units, and reinforces common characteristics that visually unites the block.



*The use of light and dark colours produces visual interest*



*Building projections, such as porches, provide transitional building elements*



*Single detached house with integrated garage*



*Variation in roof configuration creates diversity on streetscape*



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3. Variety in the design of roofs is required to break up the massing of townhouse blocks.
4. The massing and built form of townhouse units adjacent to single/semi-detached dwellings shall be broken down with architectural elements to promote visual integration.
5. Garages should be accessed from a rear Lane. Where they are not, garages should be paired to allow for more substantial front yard green space. Garages shall not protrude beyond the main front wall of the dwelling unit.
6. Side and rear elevations visible from public areas shall have upgraded facade treatments.
7. Corner unit designs are encouraged to provide significant corner features such as a wrap-around porch, wall articulation, turret or bay window.
8. Buildings sited at the end of view corridor, such as at a "T" intersection, elbow roads, traffic circles and on prime corner lots should be designed with significant architectural elements.



*Townhouses with garages on rear lane*



*Low rise apartment complex with interior courtyard*

### **Apartments**

1. Apartment buildings should be oriented to front, face and feature the public road. A substantial portion of the building should front the public road at a minimum setback.
2. Entrances should be located and oriented to public roads.
3. Permanent parking, loading and service areas should be located in side or rear yards and set back from the front facade of the building.
4. A visitor drop off area should be located at the front of the building.
5. Rooftop mechanical equipment should be screened with materials that are complementary to the building.



*Apartment building oriented to public road*



### **4.3 Residential Building Siting Guidelines**

Appropriate siting of residential units and their architectural components contributes greatly to the community streetscapes. It can also be used as a tool in unifying the overall structure of a community.

#### **General Siting Guidelines**

For the purpose of these guidelines a block is defined as being composed of contiguous lots surrounded by streets.

1. Each block shall contain a mix of unit types with a variety of elevations;
2. Placement of houses with the identical elevations and colour treatment next to each other is not permitted. Identical unit elevations shall be separated by a minimum of two dwellings;
3. Each model design shall have 2 distinctly different elevations, while popular models may require more than 2 elevations to avoid repetition and monotony within the streetscape;
4. Identical exterior colour packages shall be separated by a minimum of 3 dwellings;
5. The front facade wall should be sited close to the front lot line where possible, in keeping with permitted zoning;
6. A range of building front setbacks is encouraged for diversity on the street;
7. Entry doors should be visible from the street. Enclosure of porches is not permitted;
8. When siting different unit types on a street, appropriate transition should be considered to avoid drastic changes in height.; and,
9. Priority lots are the “character” lots of a development and a higher level of architectural design is expected for units on those lots as described in Section 4.4.

#### **Siting Guidelines for Semi-Detached and Linked Dwelling Units**

In addition to satisfying the general siting requirements, siting of semi-detached and linked dwelling units shall conform to the following guidelines. For the purpose of these guidelines, a semi-detached unit shall be defined as a dwelling with 2 attached units (left and right elevations).

1. When sited on a corner lot, the semi-detached unit should have a corner unit design with upgraded flankage and rear elevations as noted in Section 4.4, Corner Units.; and,
2. The rear elevations of both semi-detached units on a corner lot shall be up-graded.



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### **Siting Guidelines for Single Storey (Bungalow) Units**

In addition to satisfying the general siting requirements, the siting of single storey (bungalow) units shall conform to the following guidelines;

1. A minimum of 2 single storey units shall be sited together on interior lots, with a minimum of 2 two storey units sited on adjacent lots;
2. Siting of 1 single storey unit between 2 two storey units will be discouraged unless it displays a minimum 1 1/2 storey appearance and massing; and,
3. The siting of bungalow units on corner lots or lots adjacent to corners, shall not be permitted.

### **Siting Guidelines for Townhouse Units**

In addition to satisfying the general siting requirements, siting of townhouse units shall conform to the following guidelines.

1. When sited on a long street, individual townhouse blocks should be sited with varied building setback to provide visual diversity on the street;
2. The architectural features/ requirements noted in Section 4.4, Corner Units, are to be incorporated and if the corner unit rear wall plane is flush with the adjacent unit, then both unit rear elevations will require upgrades;
3. The massing and built form of townhouse units adjacent to single/ semi-detached dwellings shall be designed to promote visual integration; and,
4. Every effort should be made to screen utility meters on townhouse units from public view through the use of recessed walls, inseting within walls, landscaping, or other screening solutions that are provided by the builder.

### **Privacy Fencing Guidelines**

1. Hedges, and garden walls are encouraged. They shall be limited to a maximum of 1m in height and be permeable to allow overview from public spaces;
2. Rear and side yard fences, where required, shall be consistent in design, colour, and materials and in accordance with any City standards; and,
3. Fences provided by a developer/builder shall be subject to review by the City or an approved Control Architect.



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### **Corner Lot Fencing**

Corner lot fencing shall be provided in new communities and will conform to the following criteria:

1. Corner lot fencing shall be provided for screening of rear yard amenity area by the builder/ developer on all flankage lots where the rear yard is exposed to the street;
2. Corner lot and privacy fencing should be a minimum height of 1.8m or a height stipulated in a Noise Attenuation Report;
3. Where side yard fencing occurs the fence should meet the side of the house at a minimum distance of 1.5m - 2.0m from the rear corner of the unit, and may extend up to 1/4 of the length of the house or to a change of plane (i.e.. bump-out, bay window, etc.);
4. Corner lot fencing will be designed to incorporate a gate on the portion of the fence that returns from the lot line to the side wall; and,
5. The exact location of corner lot fencing will be determined in a subdivision agreement.

### **Noise Attenuation Fences and Walls**

1. Acoustic fences along arterial roads shall provide adequate visual and physical buffer to the residences without creating an uninviting wall; and,
2. If masonry piers are used on acoustic walls they shall be the same material and colour with all other common entry conditions in a development.



## **4.4 Residential Buildings - Priority Lots**

“Priority Lots” are lots within a proposed community that have high public exposure, such as corner lots or lots located adjacent to public open space. The building design on these lots should be of a high architectural quality. Architectural and siting treatments for different lot configurations are recommended, in order to promote a defined and an attractive streetscape with constructed focal points.

A Priority Lot Map that identifies and illustrates various priority lot treatments shall be provided by the Builder/Developer to the City once the draft plan for a proposed development has been finalized. Units shall be approved for siting, on Priority Lots, based on the guidelines set out below.

### **Gateway Units**

Gateway units are units located at the entry to the community from the surrounding roads. Units shall be designed with the following principles in mind:

1. Gateway dwellings shall be given special consideration in architectural design, massing, orientation, siting and materials, and shall be of high architectural quality;
2. Entry elements and porches are encouraged to produce interest in the facade as well as to help define the entrance to the neighbourhood;
3. Pairing of similar model units on lots directly opposite each other to establish and enhance a gateway condition is encouraged;
4. Landscape and landscape features should be provided to accentuate gateways; and,
5. The architecture and landscape of the residence should coordinate with the architecture and landscaping of a community entry feature.

### **Corner Units**

These guidelines apply to all corner lots, to units flanking on primary streets, and units where side yard to front yard conditions exist.

1. Special model designs specifically for corner lot conditions shall be offered for corner lots with at least two elevations per model.
2. Side and rear elevations visible from the street shall have consistent materials and details as per the front elevation;
3. Where the floor plan allows, a front door is encouraged on the side elevation of the house, with access to the sidewalk if a sidewalk exists. Other design solutions shall be considered;



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4. Entry doors should be visible from and oriented to the street;
5. Unit designs are encouraged to provide an architectural feature at the corner:
  - All corner unit designs shall have an option for a wrap-around porch;
  - Where no wrap around porch is provided, a portion of the units at the corner shall consist of an active living space, the facades of the unit facing the streets shall have window openings consistent with front elevations, and the use of special architectural features should be considered;
6. In cases where a townhouse is sited on a corner lot, the end units flanking a street are defined as priority lots. In cases where a semi-detached dwelling (2 units) is sited on a corner lot, both units will be defined as a priority lot; and,
7. Utility meters should be located on interior side elevation of detached units. For semi-detached units the meter can be located on the street facing elevation but it must be screened architecturally or placed inconspicuously at a wall jog. Townhome corners will be designed with recessed meters or be screened architecturally.

### **“T” Intersections/Elbow Streets**

“T” intersections occur when one road terminates at right angles to another. Consideration should be given to homes at the top of the “T” intersection and the two last lots on either side of the road that terminates at the intersection. Elbow Streets occur at a bend on the road, with more than one unit at the end of the street view.

1. Architecture on lots at the end of “T” intersections shall have facade designs that utilize elements such as coordinated fenestration, masonry detailing, and entry elements;
2. Pairing of side yards is encouraged to form a landscaped area at the terminus of the “T” Intersection;
3. On elbow streets driveway locations shall be carefully considered to avoid driveways on adjoining lots merging at the street line; and,
4. Where side elevations on elbow streets are partially visible from the street, materials consistent with those of the front elevation should be employed.

### **Buildings Facing and Flanking Window Streets**

1. Units visible from arterial roads shall be given special consideration in architectural design, massing, orientation, siting and materials and shall be of high architectural quality;



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2. Facades shall be highly articulated through coordinated fenestration, masonry detailing, accent gables, dormers, and/or other special treatment;
3. Units fronting onto a window street should have highly articulated entries through the use of entry features such as projecting porches facing the street;
4. Side and rear elevations flanking arterial roads shall be highly articulated, as per corner lots, and be consistent with the front elevation in terms of materials, fenestration style and detailing;
5. Garages are encouraged to be recessed from the front wall face of these units to reduce their presence on the street;
6. The siting of bungalows on window streets should be discouraged; and,
7. Entrances on window street lots should be visible to and where possible, face the window street.

### **Buildings Adjacent to Parks/Open Space/ Pedestrian Linkages**

1. Front, side and rear elevations exposed to active public spaces including open spaces, wood lots, stormwater management facilities, greenway links, and pedestrian walkways shall be highly articulated. A combination of fenestration, bay windows, material changes and dormers may be used to achieve the objective;
2. Where possible side elevations facing parks and open spaces should incorporate a porch feature to visually address these features;
3. The location of porches, windows and entry doors of units, surrounding parks and parkettes , should provide opportunities for overview and safety;
4. Side and rear elevations should adopt a similar design and employ materials that are consistent with those used on front elevations. Architectural detailing such as corbelling should continue from front to side elevations, where visible to the public;
5. Projecting porches are encouraged to emphasize the entrance as well as to reduce the presence of the garage;
6. At walkway entrances, units should create a sense of entry through location of windows and front doors. Informal planting of coniferous and deciduous trees may be used to frame a pathway; and,
7. Driveways of adjacent homes should be located as far away as possible from the public space.



## **4.5 Guidelines for Public/Institutional Buildings**

*Public/Institutional uses form an important aspect of community identity. Buildings serving these uses act as important built landmarks in the community. Careful attention must be paid to the design of these structures to ensure that they reflect the built quality and integrate with the scale of the surrounding neighbourhood.*

1. Public/Institutional buildings should be sited prominently and where possible, should terminate views.
2. Public/Institutional buildings should front on Minor or Major Collector Roads and be located close to the road to reinforce the street wall and define intersections.
3. Public/Institutional buildings should set a high standard of architectural design and reflect the scale and character of surrounding neighbourhoods.
4. Special landscape features are encouraged to distinguish important landmark buildings at the pedestrian level.
5. Public/Institutional buildings should be designed as special landmark buildings with high quality design, materials and finishes. The site should be well landscaped in recognition of their prominent locations and status as landmark buildings.
6. Public/Institutional buildings should be located close to the road right-of-way to reinforce the road edge to create a visually dominant feature in the community.
7. The front door of all Public/Institutional buildings shall be connected with a walkway to the sidewalk on the road.
8. Vehicular parking should be located at the side or rear of the building. Parking for cyclists should be located near building entrances and where visual surveillance can be maximized.
9. Drop-off areas should be provided for buses and cars at the side of the building, but may be located in the front of the building subject to building design and site plan considerations.
10. Consideration for a road lay-by should be given for buses and cars.
11. Rooftop mechanical equipment should be screened with materials that are complementary to the building or through parapet height where applicable.



*School located adjacent to natural Features*



*Projecting entry and tower element emphasize the main entrance*



*School reinforcing the road edge*



## **4.6 Commercial/Mixed Use Buildings**

1. Retail/ commercial uses will be encouraged at the ground level and office commercial and residential uses are encouraged on the upper levels of buildings that front the square.
2. Both the residential and commercial components of buildings should be of quality construction and architectural details and should respond to neighbouring structures in massing, height and materials.
3. The side and rear of buildings abutting low to medium density residential properties should be of similar height as the residential dwellings or should be stepped to maintain an appropriate scale in relation to adjacent residential uses.
4. Buildings should be oriented to front, face and feature public roads, especially with buildings located at corners.
5. Building facades along the public roads should be articulated with colour, material variations, windows and other treatments of the wall plane to provide a high quality of design, detail, and variety. The design treatment of flanking facades visible from the road should be similar to that of the front facade.
6. All facades that overlook roads and open spaces should have windows. Reflective mirror glass should not be used for windows at grade.
7. Building facades should be treated as pedestrian areas and public spaces:
  - pedestrian areas in front of the buildings should be wide and well-landscaped with furniture, lighting and planting;
  - tree planting should be carefully planned with signage to avoid conflicts;
  - canopies should be considered to provide weather protection to pedestrians; and,
  - planting should be in large continuous planting beds.
8. Building entrances should be prominent and linked to sidewalk through walkways, covered porches or hard-surfaced patios.
9. Ground level floor-to-floor height should allow for conversion from residential to commercial uses.
10. The front yard could be either hard or soft surface, depending on use and should include a low, visually permeable fence at the edge of the sidewalk to define the semi-private areas and to add continuity to the streetscape.



*Mixed use building overlooking onto public road*



*Variations in colours and materials create a visually appealing facade*

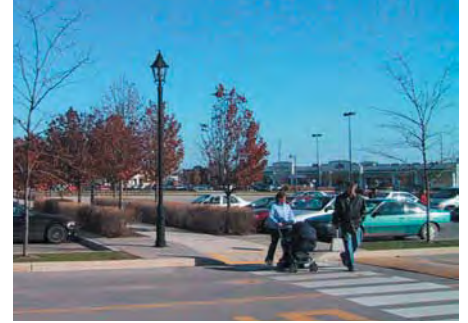


*Similar materials and colours encourage integration between different uses*



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11. A variety of roof shapes should be considered to avoid the monotony of flat roofs.
12. All utility equipment, rooftop mechanical equipment, hydro transformers and garbage storage facilities should be incorporated into the design of a building. If this is not possible, equipment should be positioned so as not to be visible from the public road and screened with materials that are complementary to the building design.
13. Parking areas should be designed in small sections and include lighting, substantial landscaping, and special paving to break up expanses of parking and to provide places for pedestrian connections.
14. Trees, shrubs and ground covers should be planted at grade in wide, continuous planting beds that serve to define pods of parking and provide the preliminary pedestrian circulation.
15. Parking areas should be screened from view from roads, open spaces and adjacent residential areas with low fencing and planting.
16. Parking areas should be located at the side or rear of the development and set back from the road right-of-way.
17. Shared parking facilities and on-street parking will be encouraged in the calculation of required parking in Village/Neighbourhood Centres.
18. Servicing and loading areas should be located behind buildings and be screened from view. Conflicts between shipping vehicles and pedestrians must be minimized through signage and delineation of the pedestrian right-of-way.
19. Signage should provide a high level of clarity, visibility, and visual interest and shall complement the architecture of the building(s) in its scale, materials, consistency, and design.



*A clear pedestrian route, enhanced by tree planting in retail plaza parking lot*



*Landscape treatment screens surface parking areas*



*A variety of complementing signage add interest to the facade*



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**NET LAND / DENSITY / HOUSING MIX**



## **APPENDIX V-B: NET LAND AREA/DENSITY/HOUSING MIX**

### **ESTIMATED NET LAND AREA**

TOTAL - Exclusive of env, os, swm and roads - 190 hectares  
Net Residential - 160 ha  
Net Commercial/Mixed Use - 9 ha (5% of total land area)  
Institutional - 21 ha

### **RESIDENTIAL**

Proposed Housing Mix  
- 70 percent Singles and Semis  
- 20 percent TH and Low Rise Apartments  
- 10 percent Mid Rise and High Rise Apartments

#### Density Ranges By Housing Type

- Singles and Semis - 15 uph to 30 uph - based on 90 percent singles - 16.5 uph  
- TH and LRA - 30 uph to 50 uph - based on 90 percent TH - 32 uph  
- MRA and HRA - 50 to 100 uph - based on 90 percent MRA - 55 uph

#### Persons Per Household

- Singles and Semis - 3.0 pph  
- TH and LRA - 2.5 pph  
- MRA and HRA - 1.5 pph

#### Average Net Density Based on Proposed Housing Mix

=  $.7(16.5) + .2(32) + .1(55)$   
23.45

#### Average Persons Per Household Based on Proposed Housing Mix

=  $.7(3.0) + .2(2.5) + .1(1.5)$   
2.75

#### Average Persons Per Net Hectare

=  $23.45 \text{ uph} \times 2.75 \text{ ppu}$   
64.4875

Housing Yield - 3,750 dwelling units

Population Yield - 10,300 residents

### **COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE**

Estimated at approximately 30 residents and/or employees per net hectare  
Resident/Job Yield - 270 residents and/or jobs

### **INSTITUTIONAL**

Estimated at approximately 15 jobs per net hectare  
Job Yield - 315 jobs

### **TOTAL YIELD/DENSITY**

Total Residents and/or Jobs - 10,885

Overall Density - 57 residents and/or jobs per hectare



**APPENDIX V-C**  
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**EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLAN DESIGN**  
**REQUIREMENTS**



## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The following identifies the minimum design requirements associated with an Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan (ESCP) to be developed and implemented during the construction phase of a development proposal. The developed plan must be consistent with the requirements as provided in the document “Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines for Urban Construction” dated December 2006. It is noted that the developed plan must be approved by all relevant agencies including the City of Brantford and the Grand River Conservation Authority and implemented prior to any work being undertaken on the subject property. The ESC Plan will include a design brief that outlines the current and proposed drainage conditions, includes all design calculations and appropriate design drawings that identifies specific details of what work is to be performed and timing.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all permits are in place prior to any construction activity and that the implemented ESC Plan is monitored and maintained throughout the construction period. The release of any deleterious substances from the construction site will be the full responsibility of the property owner (applicant).

The following provides a summary of the requirements of the ESC Plan;

## **2.0 PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

The landowner will be required to obtain all relevant permits prior to any work being completed on the site. The agencies involved in the approval process will depend on the characteristics of the site and its proximity to environmental features. Approvals may be required from the following agencies;

1. City of Brantford
2. Grand River Conservation Authority
3. Ministry of Natural Resources
4. Department of Fisheries and Oceans

## **3.0 GENERAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

An ESC Plan shall include the following:

### **3.1 Basic information:**

- a) Name, address and telephone number of the Owner;



- b) Names, addresses and telephone number of contractors, subcontractors or persons actually doing the site alteration and the scope of their responsibilities;
  - (c) Name, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the Professional Engineer responsible for the preparation and administration of the ESC Plan;
  - (d) Name, address, telephone number (including after-hours contact information) of the person responsible for road maintenance of the Site;
  - (e) Proposed dates of commencement and of completion of the site alteration;
  - (f) Signature of the Owner of the Site or authorized representative.
- 3.2 An irrevocable consent, signed by the Owner, authorizing representatives of the City and of the Conservation Authority to enter the Site to determine compliance with the ESC Plan or to perform any work necessary to bring the Site into compliance with the ESC Plan. A Letter of Credit is to be provided to the City for the purpose of ensuring that any deficiencies in the ESC Plan can be addressed by the Municipality if required.
- 3.3 An irrevocable undertaking signed by the Professional Engineer acknowledging that he/she is responsible for supervision and control of erosion and sedimentation control measures for the entire duration of the project and that he/she is authorized by the Owner to undertake repairs as required to maintain the integrity of the siltation and erosion control measures.

## **4.0 PRE-CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION**

The ESC Plan shall include the following descriptive information with respect to the pre-construction state of the Site:

- 4.1 4.1 A key map of the site
- 4.2 Flood susceptibility information, including:
- a) a Regional Storm Flood Line;
  - b) Conservation Authority Regulation limits
- 4.3 Detailed drainage information, including:
- (a) existing storm water drainage;
  - (b) existing drainage areas that extend beyond the Site property boundary;
  - (c) the estimated peak runoff rates of the drainage areas within; and
  - (d) upstream of the subject site, and
  - (e) groundwater/well survey info.



- 4.4 Information about receiving water sensitivity, including:
  - (a) thermal regime of watercourse;
  - (b) preconstruction water quality;
  - (c) cold water fishery, (DFO);
  - (d) areas of Natural and Scientific Interest (MNR);
  - (e) biotic community in watercourse.
- 4.5 Overland flow paths and identification of flow concentration zones that affect the site including those that originate off-site;
- 4.6 Detailed mapping of the soil presently on Site, including:
  - (a) identification of erosion susceptible soils,
  - (b) location of main soil types,
  - (c) exploratory soil borings and their logs prepared by a Professional Engineer qualified in soil identification and characterization
  - (d) record of site condition, use, fill, contamination etc.
- 4.7 Location and type of existing vegetative cover, including:
  - (a) the location, species and diameter of all trees on Site, and
  - (b) the location of all hedge rows and environmental features to be protected.

## **5.0 SITE ALTERATION ACTIVITIES**

The ESC Plan shall include the following information relating to the proposed site alteration activities:

- 5.1 A detailed description of the location and dimensions of all proposed site alteration activities.
- 5.2 A land alteration sequencing plan, setting out;
  - (a) timing of construction activities;
  - (b) sequencing of construction of erosion control measures;
  - (c) measures taken to minimize exposed areas and the duration of time for which they are exposed.
- 5.3 The location and dimensions of all temporary soil or dirt stockpiles;
- 5.4 The location of designated haul routes and construction access points to the site;
- 5.5 The location of siltation and erosion control measures to be installed on the site.



## **6.0 PERFORMANCE MEASURE FOR ESC PLAN**

- 6.1 Each ESC Plan must be designed so as to illustrate that Best Management Practices have been implemented to minimize erosion and the transport of sediment. Controls must be designed to ensure that 100% of soil over 75 microns, and 90 % of soil particles of greater than 40 microns will not leave the property or escape into surface water under the 2 year design storm event. This event is considered to be the “Performance Measures”.
- 6.2 Each ESC Plan shall specify which sedimentation and erosion control devices and techniques are to be used to achieve the Performance Measure, and shall specify the location, dimensions, design details and design calculations of all proposed erosion and sediment control measures.
- 6.3 Any sedimentation and erosion control device or technique that is to be used must meet the minimum standards set out in Section 7.
- 6.4 All sedimentation and erosion control devices and techniques identified in an approved ESC Plan must be installed prior to any upgradient soil stripping.
- 6.5 A copy of the Control Plan, as well as a record of inspections, shall be maintained on the site at all times and submitted to the City and the Conservation Authority upon request.

## **7.0 STANDARDS FOR SEDIMENTATION AND EROSION CONTROL DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES**

Standard Drawings for all ESC devices are included in the City of Brantford Design Standards. (See Appendix A for typical details).

- 7.1 All the activities on the Site shall be conducted in a phased manner whenever possible, to minimize the area of the site that has bare soil exposed at any one time.
- 7.2 Temporary Sediment Control Ponds (“Ponds”)
  - (a) Ponds must be implemented for all sites greater than 5 hectares in gross area under construction.
  - (b) Ponds shall be constructed prior to topsoil stripping or fill placement.
  - (c) Ponds shall be located at a point that intercepts runoff from the entire disturbed area. It may be necessary to construct more than one Pond on a Site to accomplish this objective.



- (d) Where it is not possible to place the Pond at a point that will capture all of the runoff from the entire disturbed area,
- (e) the reasons for the failure must be documented in the ESC Plan,
- (f) alternative sediment control measures that will ensure that all sediments are removed from the on-site runoff before the run-off leaves the Site must be proposed, and
- (g) the alternative measures must be constructed, once approval is granted by the appropriate agencies.
- (h) A centralized wet pond shall consist of:
  - (i) a permanent pool to contain accumulated sediment and post-storm waters;
  - (j) a water quality treatment volume (“Water Quality Treatment Volume”) that allows settlement of suspended sediment from storms.
- (k) Water Quality Treatment Volumes (or pond active storage volumes) are assessed based on the proposed ultimate development area with a minimum volume equivalent to a Level 1 water quality control as per the current Ministry of the Environment Storm Water Management Plan Manual or 125 m<sup>3</sup>/hectare, whichever is greater
- (l) Outlet works shall be designed to release storage over a 24 hour period.
- (m) The Pond shall incorporate maintenance benchmarks such as marked posts to indicate sediment depth.
- (n) The Pond shall be cleaned out when 50 % of the permanent pool volume has become filled with sediment.
- (o) The Pond outlet shall be through a perforated riser system.
- (p) The permanent pool shall:
  - (i) be 50 % of the Water Quality Treatment Volume;
  - (ii) be 1.3 metres to 1.5 metres average depth.
  - (iii) not exceed 2.0 metres in depth.
  - (iv) An overland flow swale is to be provided for major storm events.
- (q) The transition from the permanent pool to the Water Quality Treatment Volume shall be benched to prevent internal pond erosion and to allow equipment access to clean out the permanent pool.
- (r) The permanent stormwater management facility to be constructed to address the quality and quantity issues of the proposed development maybe used as a component of the ESC Plan. Refer to Section 8.2 for assumption requirements.



- (s) Ponds are to be cleaned out when the depth of sediment accumulation reaches 50% of the original permanent pool depth.
- (t) SWM ponds shall be constructed according to specifications, landscaped and connected to the receiver in tandem with the initial grading of the site.

### 7.3 Silt Fences

- (a) Silt fences shall:
  - (i) Be aligned with site contours to prevent the development of high water velocities that cause soil erosion.
  - (ii) Be a minimum height of 800 mm.
  - (iii) Be constructed of suitable woven or non-woven permeable geotextile fabric fastened with wire fasteners to page wire fencing or acceptable equivalent. Fabric shall be placed on the upslope side and a minimum of 300 mm of the fabric shall be toed into the ground to a minimum depth of 150 mm.
  - (iv) Supported with steel 'T' bar fence posts with a separation distance of no more than 2.5 metres
  - (v) Have a vegetative buffer strip of no less than 3 metres downgradient of the fence for units installed on the perimeter of the property and a minimum of 15 metres downgradient of the fence for units installed adjacent to watercourses.
  - (vi) Have deteriorated filter fabric replaced when it deteriorates due to physical damage or ultraviolet breakdown.
  - (vii) Cleared of sediment when depth reaches 150 mm at the base of the fence.

It is noted that in addition to silt fences, there are other methods for perimeter control of a construction site such as siltsoxx interceptor swales / dykes, etc. The preferred approach is dependent on a review of the site condition.

### 7.4 Channel Low Point Protection

- (a) Channel Energy Dissipating Devices shall:
  - (i) Be constructed in internal cut off channels that will contain concentrated flows during storm events.
  - (ii) Be constructed so that the crest of the downstream device is at the same elevation as the downstream base of the device further upstream.



- (iii) Be constructed of 100 mm to 150 mm clear crushed limestone with a downstream slope not to exceed 1 vertical in 4 horizontal and an upstream slope not to exceed 1 vertical in 1.5 horizontal.
- (iv) Be constructed with a non woven geotextile on the upstream face which is covered with 150 mm of 50 mm minimum diameter clear stone and which extends 300 mm or more downstream along the top of the device.
- (v) Be cleared of all accumulated sediment and restored to its original state after sediment has accumulated to a depth greater than 50 percent of the channel depth.

#### 7.5 Construction Mud Mats

- (a) Construction Mud Mats shall be installed at all exits from the construction site where it is less than 300 m to a paved road. The purpose of the mud mat is to remove most of the sediment accumulated on vehicle tires and to prevent this sediment from washing into adjacent storm sewers and surface water systems
- (b) Construction Mud Mats shall:
  - (i) Be constructed prior to any other site stripping work.
  - (ii) Be constructed of 300 mm of 100 mm to 200 mm quarry stone placed on a geotextile material suitable for allowing exfiltration of water and preventing the quarry stone from becoming contaminated with the substrate soil.
  - (iii) Be a minimum of 8 m in width and extend a minimum of 30 m onto the site.
  - (iv) Be surrounded by silt fence and vegetative buffer as specified in section 7.9 for its entire length from the property line to the start of on-site roadways.
  - (v) Be continuously evaluated for effectiveness and if ineffective, alternative measures including wheel washing be implemented.

#### 7.6 Topsoil and Spoil Pile Management

- (a) Topsoil and spoil piles shall:
  - (i) Not be constructed in low areas where water may accumulate.
  - (ii) Be surrounded with an appropriate silt fence to prevent sediment runoff during storms.
  - (iii) Be continuously monitored to ensure that silt fences are effectively capturing sediment.
  - (iv) Have ineffective silt fencing supplemented with a second row of silt



fencing 2 metres beyond the initial row.

- (v) piles containing more than 100 m<sup>3</sup> of material shall be a minimum of 15 metres from a roadway or channel.
- (vi) If topsoil or dirt storage piles are to be left in one place for more than 60 days, piles shall be stabilized by mulching, vegetative cover, tarps or other means.
- (vii) Stock piles shall not be deposited on a paved road surface at any time.

#### 7.7 Site Dewatering:

- (a) Dewatering operations may be conducted provided that the water is not permitted to discharge directly into receiving bodies of water or streams;
- (b) Water pumped from the Site shall be treated by structural devices such as sediment control pond, temporary sedimentation pond, grit chambers, sand filters, upflow chambers, swirl concentrators, filter socks or other appropriate controls.
- (c) Site dewatering must provide sufficient treatment to prevent deposition of sediment in the municipal storm drainage system or any harmful impact to the natural receiving streams. If the municipal storm drainage system is used as part of the erosion and sediment control plan then it is to be cleaned out prior to assumption by the City.

#### 7.8 Drain Inlet and Catchbasin Protection

All potentially affected storm drain inlets and catchbasins shall be protected with filter fabric or equivalent barriers. This is acknowledged as an ineffective method of sediment control and shall only be proposed as a short term temporary sediment control measure. Two methods are available:

- (a) filter cloth protection over the catchbasin inlet which are suitable where ponding of water will not occur and where traffic will not affect the filter cloth;
- (b) catchbasin inserts constructed of filter cloth with or without a metal support structure.
- (c) Existing storm sewers maybe used as flow conveyance facilities provided that an appropriate detention facility is constructed at the outlet of the system. All sediment must be removed from the sewers prior to assumption by the City.



## 7.9 Vegetative Buffer Strips

### (a) Vegetative Buffer Strips shall:

- (i) Be provided around the perimeter of the site and between disturbed areas and surface water
- (ii) Be protected with silt fences from upgradient erosion
- (iii) Consist of established vegetation that is growing on undisturbed soil
- (iv) Be a minimum of 3 m thick from the perimeter of the property to the disturbed area and a minimum of 15 metres in depth from surface water to the disturbed area.
- (v) Be immediately replaced with or supplemented with other control measures if they become ineffective.

## 7.10 Flow Diversions

Concentrated runoff from adjacent areas passing through the Site shall be diverted around disturbed areas. If this is not possible, runoff shall be directed into protected channels with appropriate low flow erosion protection and emptying into a Storm Water Management Pond prior to discharge. The channel shall be protected from receiving on-site erosion by placement of silt fencing along its perimeter.

## 7.11 Phasing of Construction

Runoff from the entire disturbed area on the site shall be controlled as follows:

- (a) All disturbed ground left inactive shall be stabilized by seeding, sodding, mulching or covering, or other control measure. The period of time of inactivity shall be at the discretion of the *Director* but shall not exceed 60 days or such longer period as deemed advisable at the discretion of the *Director*;
- (b) For Sites less than five (5) hectare disturbed at one time, sediment control fences and cut-off swales/channels or equivalent control measures shall be placed along all downslope boundaries of the site;
- (c) For Sites adjacent to existing residential areas, a fence and a cut-off swale/channel shall be placed around the entire perimeter of the site to prevent drainage onto private lands. A three (3) metre wide buffer strip and/or sediment control fence shall be provided along the perimeter of the downslope boundaries of the site;



## **8.0 POST CONSTRUCTION ESC PLAN**

### **8.1 Standards for Stabilization and Rehabilitation**

To ensure the stabilization of the Site and limit runoff Total Dissolved Solids to preconstruction levels one of the following two practices shall be implemented:

- (a) vegetative stabilization practices such as temporary seeding, sod stabilization, permanent seeding and plantation, maintenance of buffer zone; or
- (b) preservation of natural vegetation and non-vegetative stabilization practices such as mulching, geotextiles, soil-retaining measures and stream bank stabilization to be used when required to supplement natural vegetation.

### **8.2 Pond(s) remaining for water quality and quantity control after construction (i.e. permanent facilities) shall be restored to the satisfaction of the municipality (with as-built bottom survey) prior to assumption.**

### **8.3 Any sedimentation or erosion damage to adjoining surfaces and watercourses resulting from the site alteration must be repaired.**

## **9.0 MONITORING AND INSPECTION PLAN**

The monitoring and inspection plan must meet the terms specified by the approval agencies. Monitoring and inspection will be conducted pre, during and post construction by a qualified site inspector.

### **9.1 Duties of the Site Inspector**

The Site Inspector will visit the sites on a weekly basis and after each storm event to ensure that the ESC Plan implemented properly and continues to function in accordance with the original design. The Site Inspector shall provide the City with a list of any deficiencies observed during inspection, and also inform the City landowner/developer is not rectifying deficiencies immediately.

Responsibilities of the Site Inspector will include:

1. Protection of the recipient drainage systems
2. Protection of onsite environmental features
3. Maintenance of erosion and sedimentation control measures

The Site Inspector will maintain a journal during construction activities and prepare a photographic record of pre-, during, and post-construction showing that structures and works have been completed according to the approved plans.



Deficiencies will be noted and the implemented corrective measures identified and rectified immediately.

## 9.2 Pre-Construction

The Site Inspector will brief the Contractor and Contract Administrator of the terms and conditions of the permits issued of any sensitivity associated with the proposed works.

The Site Inspector will ensure that all erosion and sedimentation control measures are correctly installed prior to the commencement of topsoil stripping.

## 9.3 During Construction

1. The Site Inspector will inspect erosion and sedimentation control measures and recommend appropriate modifications/repairs as required.
2. The Site Inspector will ensure “due diligence” through adherence to all federal, provincial and local legislation and regulations.
3. The Site Inspector will respond to upsets/unforeseen circumstances and recommend corrective/preventative measures where appropriate.

## 9.4 Post Construction

Monitoring will be carried out at the completion of construction and in each of the subsequent two years to assess the success of the implemented erosion and sediment control plan. Timing for removal of all ESC measures will be at the discretion of the site inspector.

Where the ESC Plan utilizes the permanent stormwater management facility, that facility will require maintenance for a two year period after substantial completion of contributing catchment area. Maintenance will include, but not limited to final grading, dredging to achieve approved permanent pool and active storage volumes and finalization of landscaping plan. All works are to be monitored and inspected for compliance with the approved design drawings. Prior to the end of the two year landscaping warranty period, all plantings are to be inspected and any plants that are not showing signs of growth, replaced.

## 10.0 ESC CONTINGENCY PLAN

Results of the inspection and monitoring plan will identify deficiencies and the requirements for corrective action. Where breaches of the ESC Plan have occurred a contingency plan will be prepared by a senior water resources engineer in consultation with the City staff. Corrective measures will be identified and the approved plan



implemented immediately. Photographs of deficiencies will be taken and document for future reference.

## **11.0 ASSUMPTION OF PERMANENT STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

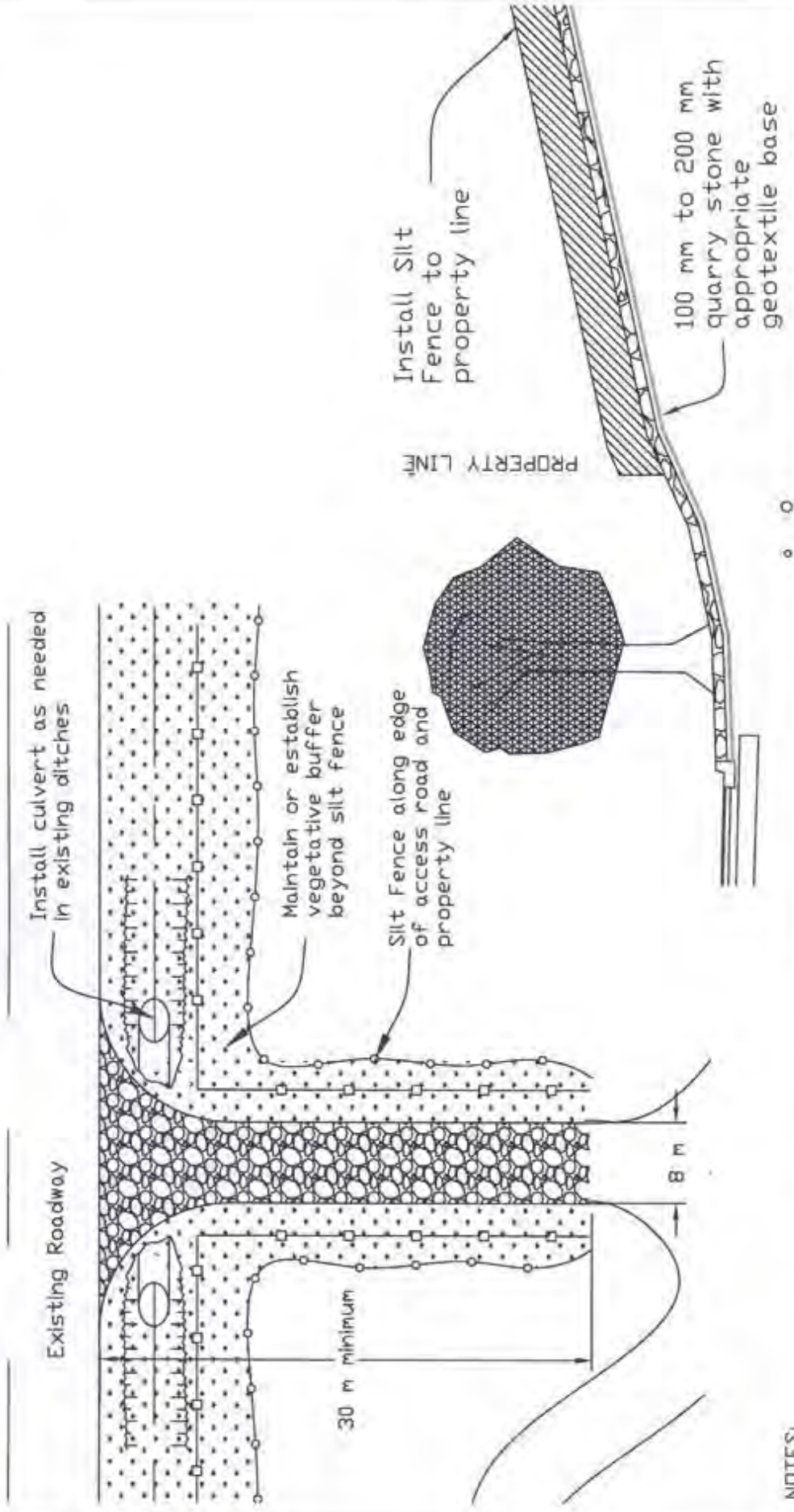
As noted in Section 7.2n, the erosion and sediment control plan may include the use of the permanent stormwater management facility that is to be constructed to address the long term erosion, quality and quantity control requirements of the proposed development. Where this approach is taken the facility is to be cleaned out, prior to assumption, to the grades as provided in the approved final design drawings. The approved landscape plan is similarly to be completed at that time. Assumption of the permanent facility is not to occur till two years after the substantial completion of the upstream development.



# **Appendix A**

Siltation and Erosion Control Standard Drawings





#### NOTES:

1. Purpose of Construction Mat is to minimize transportation of sediment onto roadways.
2. Construction mat is to be installed as the first step in the site alteration process.
3. Construction mats are required where paved roads are within 300 m of the site.

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### Construction Entrance Mat

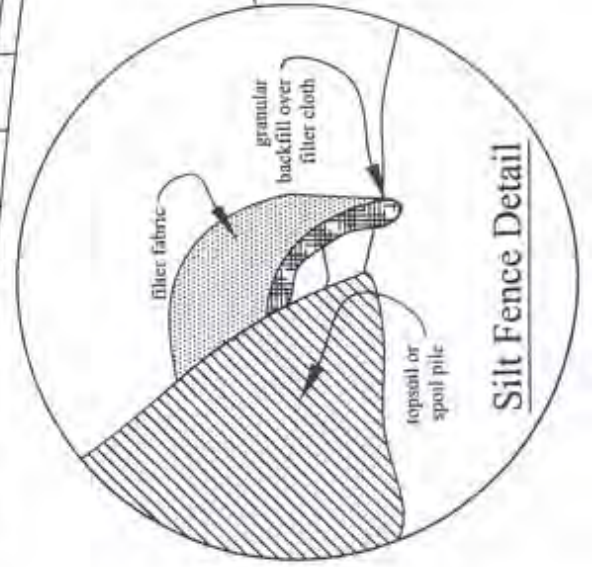


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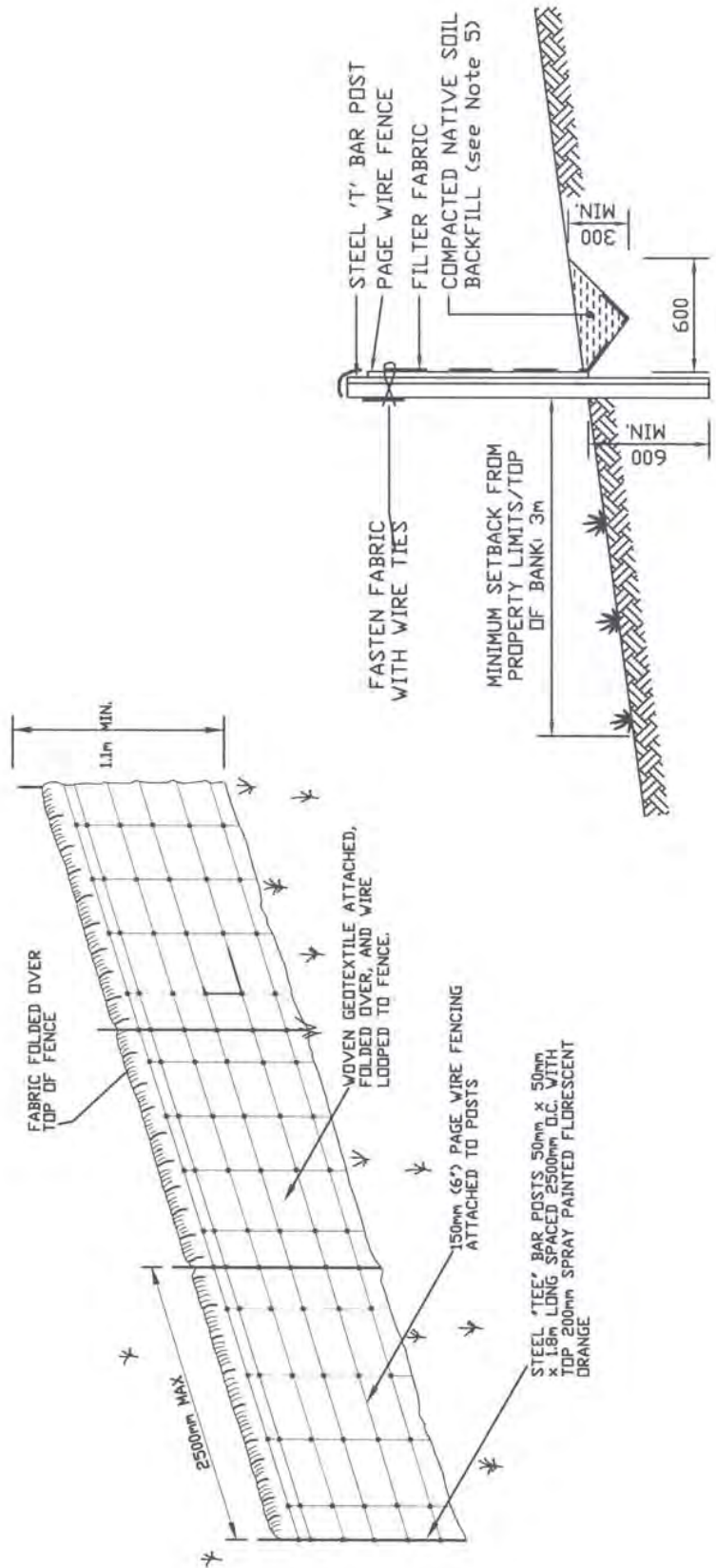
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Spoil Pile Siltation Control





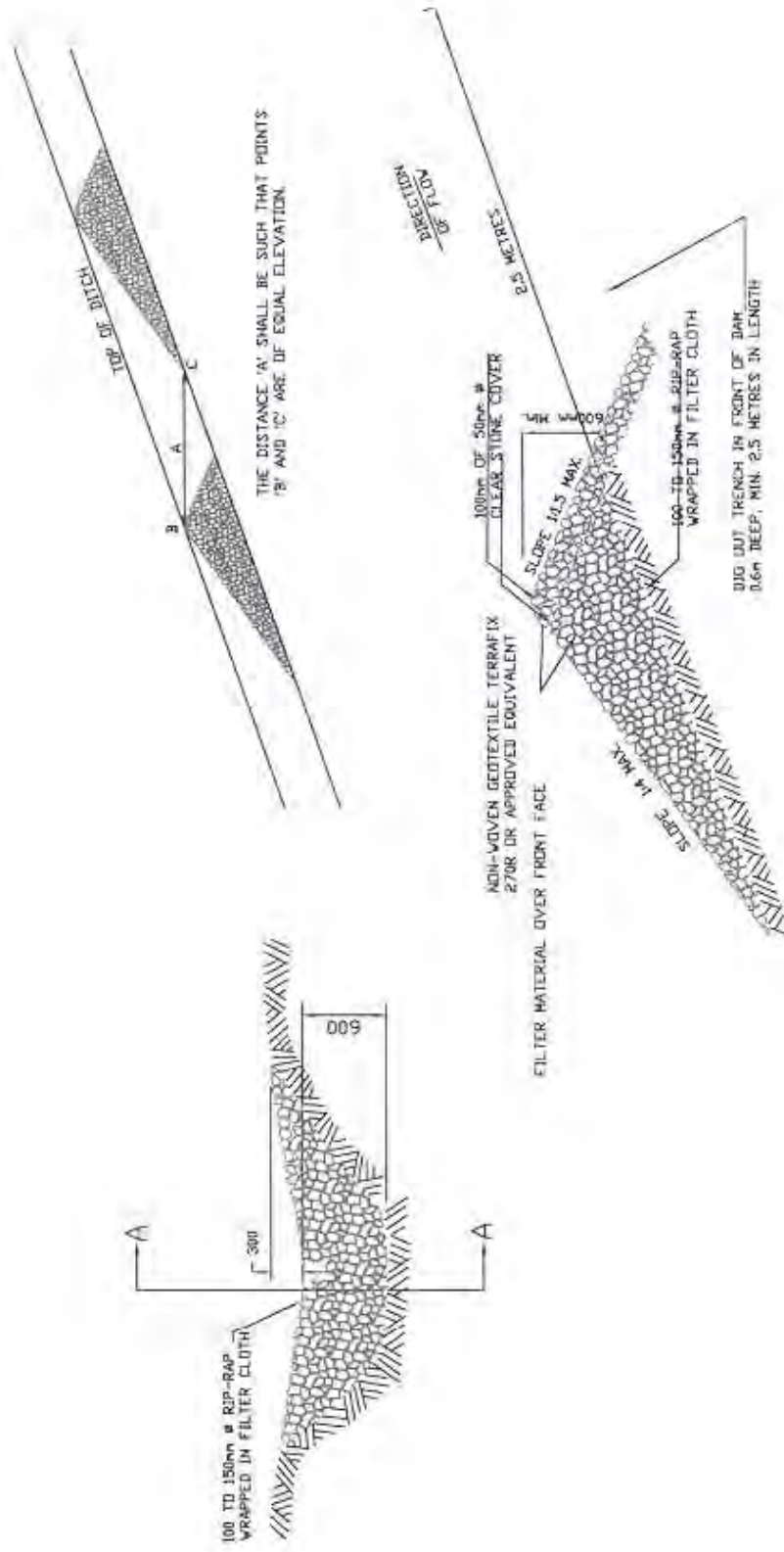


1. SILT CONTROL FENCE SHOULD BE ALIGNED WITH CONTOURS FOR SHEET OVERLAND FLOW.
2. SILT/SEDIMENT CONTROL FENCE IS TO BE LOCATED IN AREAS OF LOW SEDIMENT YIELD ON SLOPES THAT CONFORM TO MTD DRAINAGE MANUAL VOLUME 2 'CHART F4-3C TOPOGRAPHIC FACTOR LS BASED ON SLOPE LENGTH AND GRADIENT.'
3. SILT/SEDIMENT CONTROL FENCE SHALL BE INSTALLED WITH FILTER MEDIA FABRIC TIED INTO THE SOIL A MIN. OF 300mm BY EITHER STATIC SLICING OR TRENCH METHODS WITH COMPACTION OF TRENCH MATERIAL MEETING 95% STANDARD PROCTOR DENSITY.
4. STEEL 'T' BAR POSTS ARE TO BE SPACED MAX. 2500mm ON CENTER.
5. FROZEN GROUND CONDITIONS REQUIRE FILTER FABRIC TO BE BACKFILLED IN TRENCH WITH CLEAR STONE.
6. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.
7. GEOTEXTILE FABRIC TO BE COMPRISED OF WOVEN OR NON-WOVEN U.V. STABILIZED MATERIAL. FABRIC TO BE FOLDED OVER TOP OF FENCE MIN. 300mm AND WIRE FASTENED.

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### Siltation Control Fence





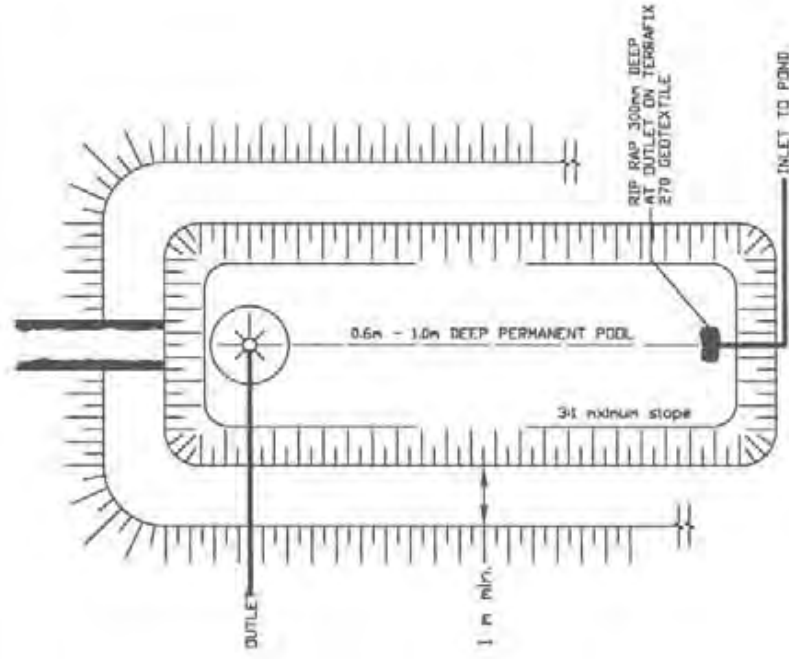
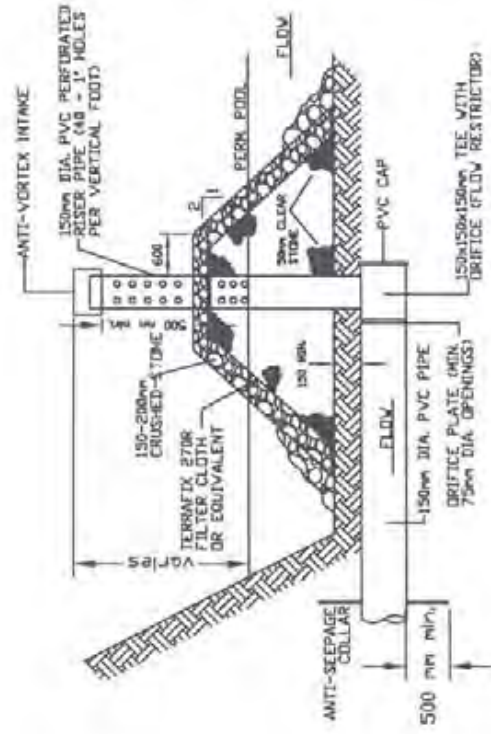
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### Granular Erosion Control Device

1. SEDIMENT SHALL BE REMOVED AND TRAP RESTORED TO ITS ORIGINAL DIMENSIONS WHEN THE SEDIMENT HAS ACCUMULATED TO 1/2 THE DESIGN DEPTH OF THE TRAP. REMOVED SEDIMENT SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN A SUITABLE AREA IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT WILL NOT ERODE. THE STRUCTURE SHALL BE INSPECTED AFTER EACH RAIN AND REPAIRS MADE AS NEEDED. CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS SHALL BE CARRIED OUT IN SUCH A MANNER THAT EROSION AND WATER POLLUTION IS MINIMIZED.
2. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETRES UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.





#### NOTES:

1. POND BERMS TO CONSTRUCTED USING IMPERVIOUS MATERIAL, COMPACTED TO 95% S.P.D, AND INSPECTED BY A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER.
2. A 1.5m HIGH BARRIER FENCE SHALL BE ERECTED ALONG PERIMETER OF SEDIMENT BASIN. WARNING SIGNS SHALL BE ATTACHED TO THE FENCING STATING THE AREA IS OFF LIMITS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, AND ADVISING THAT THE BASIN IS USED FOR SEDIMENT CONTROL PURPOSES, AND THAT THE SUBJECT AREA IS SUBJECT TO FLASH FLOODING.
3. THE BASIN IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON THE BASIS OF A MIN. LENGTH TO WIDTH RATIO OF 4 TO 1.
4. APPROPRIATE PESTICIDE AND LARVICIDE CONTROLS SHOULD BE MAINTAINED TO CONTROL MOSQUITO BREEDING AS DIRECTED BY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

## Siltation and Erosion Control Project

### Temporary Sediment Basin and Outlet Details



## **PART C – THE APPENDIX**

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### **STATEMENT REGARDING PUBLIC MEETING**

This is to certify that pursuant to Sections 22(1) and 17 of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, a public meeting regarding

### **OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 144**

was held by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Brantford on

**MAY 5, 2008**

in Council Chambers, City Hall, Brantford and that notices of invitation to attend said meeting were issued on:

**APRIL 11, 2008**

In accordance with Section 2(2) of R.S.O. 1990, O.Reg. 198/96.

Dated this       day of       , 2008.

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**CITY CLERK**



**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE  
WITH PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT  
AND  
NOTICE REQUIREMENTS  
REGARDING OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 144**

I, Darryl Lee, City Clerk, hereby certify that the requirements for the giving of notice, and the holding of at least one public meeting as set out in Subsection 17(15) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, and the giving of notice as set out in Subsection 17(17) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, have been complied with.

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**DARRYL LEE  
CITY CLERK  
CITY OF BRANTFORD**