# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (PUBLIC HEARING) JANUARY 19, 2004

## 9. ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FILE Z.03.079 DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION FILE 19T-03V16 MIDVALE ESTATES INC. <u>PRELIMINARY REPORT</u>

**Recommendation** 

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

THAT the Public Hearing for Files Z.03.079 & 19T-03V16 (Midvale Estates Inc.) BE RECEIVED, and that any issues identified be addressed by Staff in a comprehensive report to the Committee of the Whole.

## Purpose

On October 23, 2003, the Owner submitted applications to amend the Zoning By-law and for a Draft Plan of Subdivision consisting of 98 detached lots, a neighbourhood park and stormwater management facility.

### **Background - Analysis and Options**

The 12.72 ha property is located on the south side of Teston Road, east of Dufferin Street within Planning Block 12, in of Lots 24 and 25, Concession 2, City of Vaughan.

The lands are designated "Low Density Residential", "Low Density Residential Special Policy Area" and "Valley Lands" by OPA 600 and further designated "Settlement Area" by OPA 604 (Oak Ridges Moraine Conformity Plan). The Block 12 Plan specifically defines the land uses for detached units and a neighbourhood park. The lands are zoned A Agricultural Zone by By-law 1-88. The surrounding land uses are:

North - Teston Road; vacant (A Agricultural Zone) South - vacant; (A Agricultural Zone) East - vacant; (A Agricultural Zone) West - vacant; (A Agricultural Zone)

On December 22, 2003, a notice of public hearing was circulated to all property owners within 120 m of the subject lands, and the Gates of Maple Ratepayers' Association, Maple Landing Ratepayers Association and Maple Village Ratepayers Association. To date, no responses have been received. Any comments received will be addressed in the technical review and included in a comprehensive Staff report to a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### Preliminary Review

Following a preliminary review of the proposed applications, Staff has identified the following matters to be reviewed in greater detail:

- the "Low Density Residential" designation permits detached and semi-detached units at an overall gross density of 14 units per hectare; the "Low Density Residential Special Policy Area" designation permits a net density between 5-14 units/ha; review will be given to ensure the draft plan densities conform to the Official Plan;
- the draft plan will be reviewed for consistency with the approved Block 12 Plan, including coordination of lotting and road patterns with the adjacent plans of subdivision;

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- the lands are located within the Oak Ridges Moraine and were included in the Block 12 Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan Conformity Report (August 2003) by Malone Given Parsons Ltd. et al; the City was satisfied with the conformity report, subject to conditions, and no additional conformity reports will be required;
- the residential lots would be zoned in accordance with the City's new residential zoning standards, including RD2 Zone and RD3 Zone for detached lots;
- prior to draft approval of the first plan of subdivision within Block 12:
  - a) a Development and Infrastructure Phasing Plan prepared by the Block 12 Landowners' Group must be to the satisfaction of the City, describing issues such as: the proposed staging and phasing of infrastructure; timing for necessary Regional transportation improvements; and watercourse road crossings and transportation links planned within Block 12;
  - b) the Urban Design Guidelines, Architectural Design Guidelines, Landscape Master Plan for the Block, and all outstanding Block Plan matters, must be approved by the City;
  - c) the lots to be included in the Stage 1 portion of each subdivision plan, within Phase 1 of the Block Plan, must be approved by the City; other than Stage 1, the remainder of the plan shall be zoned with a "Holding" category, pending availability of servicing capacity;
  - d) water and sewer servicing capacity must be identified by the Region and assigned to the City, for allocation to Stage 1 of Phase 1 of each draft plan; and
  - e) the requirements of the Environment Assessment Act pertaining to primary roads and related infrastructure matters must be satisfied.

# Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

The applicability of this application to the Vaughan Vision will be determined when the technical report is completed.

# **Conclusion**

The above-noted issues, but not limited to, will be considered in the technical review of the applications, together with comments expressed at the public hearing, or in writing, and will be addressed in a comprehensive report to a future Committee of the Whole meeting. In particular, conformity with the Official Plan and consistency with the approved Block 12 Plan will be reviewed. The technical report may proceed to Committee upon completion of any outstanding Block Plan and phasing requirements, and receipt of servicing capacity from the Region.

# **Attachments**

- 1. Location Map
- 2. Draft Plan of Subdivision
- 3. Council Approved Block 12 Plan (September 2003)

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