

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MARCH 25, 2008

KLEINBURG-NASHVILLE (RURAL AREA) COMMUNITY PLAN REVIEW FILE #25.2

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. That the attached Terms of Reference for a Focused Area Review of lands designated "Rural Area" within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan BE APPROVED.
2. That the Policy Planning Department initiate the process to retain the required consulting services to undertake the required work.

Economic Impact

The required budget for this Study (upset limit of \$180,000) has been included and approved in the Capital Budget for the New Vaughan Official Plan project for 2008.

Communications Plan

Upon approval of the Study Terms of Reference and consultant selection, the Study's consultation program includes community information and workshop meetings. A Stakeholder Consultation Group(s) and a Technical Advisory Committee will be established to provide input throughout the Study process. A Public Hearing will be required to consider amendments to the Official Plan. Further details of the communications and consultation approach will be identified in the consultants' work plan.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the Study requirements which are outlined in greater detail in the attached Terms of Reference.

Background - Analysis and Options

Location and Description of the Study Area

The area of focus for the Review are the lands designated "Rural Area" by the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan (OPA 601), as shown on Attachment #1. The "Rural Area" designation applies to portions of properties located in the outer limits of the Community Plan. The Study Area is non-contiguous due to the designated areas being separated by other designations in the Official Plan and they are physically separated by natural features and infrastructure such as the Humber River valley, the CP Rail corridor, roads, and existing development. The subject areas are primarily undeveloped and represent the remaining "Greenfield" development area within the Community Plan.

Purpose of the Study

On May 7, 2007, Vaughan Council approved Terms of Reference for the New Vaughan (city-wide) Official Plan, which is a component of the Vaughan Consolidated Growth Management Strategy – 2031. When finalized, the New Official Plan will be a contemporary, state-of-the art Official Plan that will represent an update to the City's community planning policies in a manner consistent with the principles of sustainability. Work on the New Official Plan began in October 2007.

The rural area of the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan (OPA 601, as amended) is one of four Focused Area Studies to be undertaken as part of the New Official Plan process. The approved Terms of Reference for the New Vaughan Official Plan identifies the need for detailed review of certain areas and that the review of the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan will include "an examination of developable lands currently subject to rural/agricultural designations in the community which require detailed study and preparation of a secondary plan and policies to guide their future use and development."

The development pressure in these four areas of Vaughan make it necessary for the City to proceed with land use studies in advance of the completion of the New Vaughan Official Plan process. The purpose of the Focused Area Review for Kleinburg-Nashville is to establish an updated land use and urban design framework for the rural areas within the Community Plan.

The New Vaughan Official Plan process is scheduled for completion by the fall 2010. The Kleinburg-Nashville Review is expected to begin in the Spring of 2008 and should be completed within 12 months. The Study will result in an Amendment to the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan and will be incorporated into the city-wide Official Plan.

Provincial Policy Context and Initiatives

Recent Provincial policy initiatives and legislation (*The Greenbelt Act*, *The Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act* and *The Places to Grow Act*) have established a number of new policy imperatives. The recently enacted Bill 51 (*an Act to amend the Planning Act and the Conservation Land Act*) requires that a municipal council's decisions on planning matters be in conformity with the provincial plans enabled by the above noted legislation. Therefore, these policies will be part of the new policy framework which will regulate how the City of Vaughan grows and evolves for the foreseeable future, including the expansion of the City's "Urban Area" boundary.

The Focused Area Review will be required to address a number of Provincial policies and initiatives. This includes the policy framework provided by the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, in terms of meeting intensification targets and achieving compact, transit-supportive development. The Growth Plan also identifies a GTA West (Transportation) Corridor as part of the policies for infrastructure to support growth. The Greenbelt Plan provides protection to the agricultural land base and the ecological features and functions on the landscape. The Greenbelt Area applies to certain lands within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan, including the Study Area, and plays an important role in determining what areas within the Study Area are not developable. The Review will also need to take into consideration the Ministry of Transportation's Environmental Assessment (E.A.) of the Highway 427 Transportation Corridor in terms of determining what impacts the future highway extension may have on future development.

Regional Policy Context and Initiatives

The Region of York Official Plan identifies Kleinburg-Nashville as "Towns and Villages" for the built-up area and the remainder as "Agricultural Policy Area", "Rural Policy Area" and "Greenlands", which recognizes the Humber River Valley System. The Region is currently reviewing its Growth Management Plan and will be updating its Official Plan based on principles of sustainable development. The Region is projecting significant increases to its population and employment by 2031, and consequently, it is expected that Vaughan will be assigned significant additional growth overall.

It will be necessary for the Review to take into account the Region's Growth Management initiatives and its approach to sustainability within the context of and compatibility with, the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan. This will help to ensure that the City's and the Region's environmental/sustainability programs are complementary and supportive. The New Vaughan

Official Plan will establish the policy framework to direct development within developable rural lands as well as redevelopment at appropriate locations within existing built-up areas of the City.

In 2001, Regional Official Plan Amendment No. 19 designated approximately 1700 acres of land southwest of the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan as an "Urban Area" for employment use. Development within the ROPA 19 area cannot occur until the related secondary plan(s) are approved, which will set out detailed land use/urban design, transportation, servicing and environmental policies. Before this work can begin, the final alignment of the Highway 427 corridor extension must be established through the Ministry of Transportation's E.A. process. The preferred route for the highway extension is expected to be released to the public for comment this Spring.

The Region's Western Vaughan Arterial Road Improvements Environmental Assessment has been initiated for the purpose of identifying transportation deficiencies in Western Vaughan and to provide preferred alternatives to address the deficiencies. One of the items identified to date is the possibility of having to re-locate Major Mackenzie Drive as much as 300 metres north of its current location to enable an intersection with an extended Highway 427.

The recent approval of Regional Official Plan No. 57 allows for the extension of lake based water supply to the Kleinburg-Nashville Community. Future growth in the area will be based predominantly on full municipal services.

Relevant City of Vaughan Official Plans and Initiatives

The Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan (OPA 601) and subsequent Amendments, such as OPA 610 (Valley Corridor policies), provides the existing local planning context of the area which are relevant to the Focused Area Review. A key goal of the Community Plan is to strike a balance between demand for growth and the need to continue to protect and enhance the character of the community.

In 2003, the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan (KNHCD) was approved. It covers a significant amount of land area within the Community Plan. The KNHCD Plan provides an urban design framework that guides new development for the surrounding areas in a way that integrates and is compatible with the existing village and heritage character. The Review should consider this framework given that portions of lands within the Study Area are adjacent to the Heritage District. In 2007, OPA 633 (Kleinburg Core Area Policy Review) incorporated, among others, policies and recommendations contained in the KNHCD. Additional planned initiatives which came out of the Kleinburg Core Area Policy Review include: an Economic Development Strategy; a Streetscape and Master Plan for main streets in the Core; a Tree Inventory/Preservation By-law; a city-wide review of parking standards and cash-in-lieu, and; a review of the sign by-law. These initiatives provide context to the area.

Environmental policies are an important component of the Community Plan. In addition to recognizing existing environmental policies within the Plan, the consulting team for the Review will be informed by, among others, the Environmental Master Plan (the City's Sustainability Plan), which is scheduled for completion in the third quarter of 2008. The Review will result in an amendment to the Community Plan that will be consistent with the principles, goals and objectives identified in the process leading to the New Vaughan Official Plan.

In response to Regional Official Plan Amendment No. 57 for the extension of lake based water supply to Kleinburg-Nashville, the City of Vaughan is currently undertaking a Servicing Master Plan E.A. to identify the servicing needs for the Kleinburg-Nashville area, which is scheduled for completion by the end of 2008. This process will serve to inform the Review. The servicing needs analysis for the area will be undertaken by the E.A. and will, therefore, not be required as a component of the Focused Area Review.

The City's Transportation Master Plan study will evaluate in detail the local road network and identify the infrastructure that will be needed to efficiently accommodate the population and employment growth that will result from the implementation of the Growth Management Strategy. The study will be undertaken as a component of the New Vaughan Official Plan Review and the related Focused Areas Studies. The consultant for the City's Transportation Master Plan will be working with the consulting team for the Focused Area Review on transportation-related matters both within and surrounding the study area. The transportation analysis of the area will be undertaken by the Transportation Master Plan study and done in coordination with the Focused Area Review.

Components of the Study

The draft Terms of Reference for the Focused Area Review requires the consulting team to conduct the following work, including:

1. Background review and analysis of existing Provincial, Regional and local policies, regulations and initiatives, as described above, that are applicable within and surrounding the Study Area. This will provide the regulatory basis for the Review.
2. Review and analysis of existing conditions within and surrounding the Study Area, such as land use, heritage resources, transportation networks, community structure, etc. Special consideration will be given to determining:
 - a) issues associated with lands adjacent to natural resource and greenbelt areas
 - b) how to protect for the re-alignment of Major Mackenzie Drive and the Highway 427 Corridor extension and appropriate adjacent land use(s)
 - c) ways in which more recent community development contributes to the area
 - d) appropriate land uses and densities
 - e) sustainability issues, including the natural systems and green space, energy conservation and climate protection, water conservation and water quality, pedestrian and cycling opportunities, transit-friendly design, waste reduction improvements, and
 - f) impact on, integration and connectivity with existing and planned uses within the surrounding area/community.
3. Development of planning principles, goals and objectives (to be consistent with the New Vaughan Official Plan).
4. Preparation of land use/development alternatives and an urban design framework.
5. Development of evaluation criteria.
6. Recommendation of preferred land use/development alternative and urban design framework.
7. Preparation of Secondary Plan/Official Plan Amendment for Council's consideration.
8. Include as part of the Official Plan Amendment, implementation policies, such as enabling a Community Improvement Plan, phasing, etc.

The analysis and recommendations respecting the provision of suitable transportation will be addressed by the consultants preparing the City's Transportation Master Plan, in coordination with the consultants conducting the Focused Area Review. Analysis for servicing will be provided by the Servicing Strategy Master Plan Class Environmental Assessment for Kleinburg-Nashville, which is scheduled for completion by the end of 2008.

Public Consultation Requirements

The consultation process will involve all of those individuals and interests having a stake in the future of the Kleinburg-Nashville area – local residents, ratepayer groups, the business community, the development community, public agencies and other special interest groups. The process will include meetings, open houses, workshops and presentations and requires participation from the community to succeed. A Technical Advisory Committee will be established as well as one or more Stakeholder Consultation Groups (SCG's) to represent interests in the area and provide ongoing input throughout the process. A statutory public meeting(s) will be held for an Official Plan Amendment. Details of the proposed consultation process will be provided in the submissions of candidate consulting teams.

Consulting Requirements

The Study requires the services of a multi-disciplinary team with expertise in land use planning, urban design, the environment, sustainable development and public consultation. The consulting team will be required to collaborate with, and be informed by, the consultants working on the City's Transportation Master Plan, the Environmental Master Plan, the Servicing Master Plan Class E.A. for Kleinburg-Nashville and the core consulting team for the New Vaughan Official Plan.

Products of the Study

The following deliverables will be provided by the consulting team:

1. Background and Final Reports on each of the following components:
 - a) Land use and sustainable community development options and urban design framework
 - b) State of the Environment and environmental policy requirements
 - c) Housing and demographics
 - d) Transportation and servicing impacts
2. Final report with recommendations
3. Draft Official Plan Amendment.
4. Final Official Plan Amendment

Project Administration

The project will be managed by the Policy Planning Department with the input and participation from the core consulting team for the New Vaughan Official Plan, the consultants for the City's Transportation Master Plan and the Environmental Master Plan, Development Planning, Parks, and Engineering Departments, other City departments and external agencies as required.

Timing

The Study is expected to begin in the Spring 2008 and completed in approximately 12 months.

Budget

An upset limit of \$180,000 has been included and approved by Council in the Capital Budget for the New Vaughan Official Plan project for 2008.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This Study is consistent with the Vaughan Vision Strategic Plan 2020 in terms of implementing a component of the Growth Management Strategy. This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Regional Implications

The Official Plan Amendment resulting from the Study will conform with Regional and Provincial Policy requirements and establish the ground rules for future development. The Plan will accommodate the Region's forecast growth estimates for Vaughan and will have implications for Regional servicing, transportation and community infrastructure.

Conclusion

The Terms of Reference provide the basis for carrying out a detailed land use analysis that will result in updated land use, urban design and development policies for the rural area within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan. Similar to the approach taken for the New Official Plan, this work will be forward-looking, state-of-the-art and reflective of the principles of sustainability.

The Terms of Reference have been prepared in consultation with other key City departments.

Should Council concur with the Terms of Reference, the recommendation should be approved to enable staff to proceed with the consultant assignment.

Attachments

1. Study Area
2. The Draft Terms of Reference for the Kleinburg-Nashville (Rural Area) Community Plan Review

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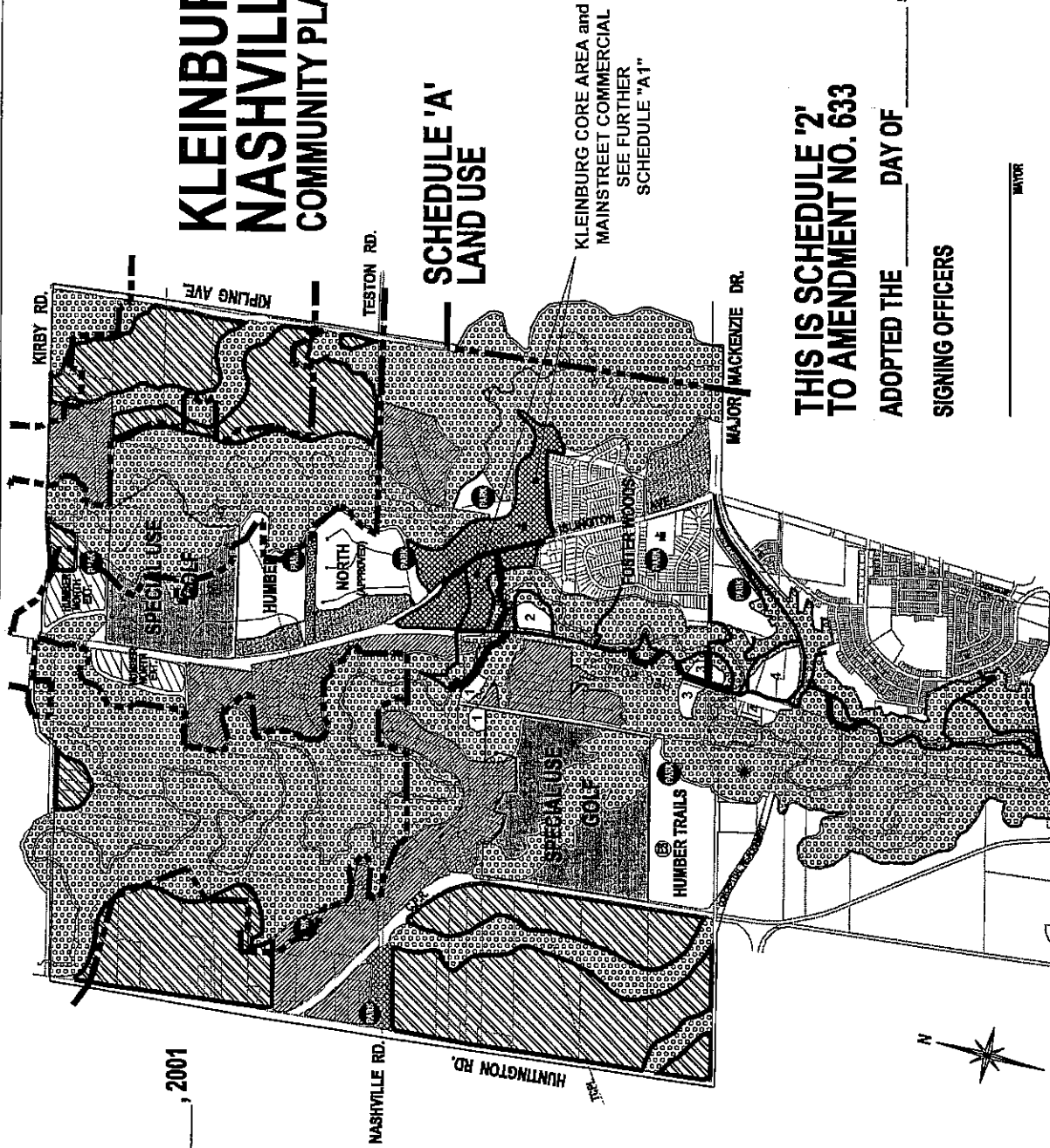
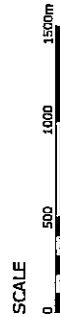
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ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2001

LEGEND

- SERVICED RESIDENTIAL
- FUTURE RESIDENTIAL
- SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL
- AREA INCLUDING KLEINBURG CORE AREA and MAINSTREET COMMERCIAL
- SPECIAL USE - GOLF
- RURAL AREA
- VALLEY & STREAM CORRIDOR
- OPEN SPACE
- NEIGHBOURHOOD PARK
- LINEAR PARK
- INTER-REGIONAL TRAIL
- WASTE DISPOSAL ASSESSMENT AREA
- REGIONAL ROAD 27 TRAIL ROUTE (PREFERRED)
- REGIONAL ROAD 27 TRAIL ROUTE (ALTERNATE)
- ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- AMENDMENT AREA
- VALLEY POLICY AREAS 1 TO 4

- BOUNDARY OF GREENBELT (APPROXIMATE)
- FOCUSED AREA OF STUDY (RURAL AREAS)



SCHEDULE 'A' LAND USE

KLEINBURG CORE AREA and
MAINSTREET COMMERCIAL
SEE FURTHER
SCHEDULE "A1"

THIS IS SCHEDULE '2' TO AMENDMENT NO. 633

ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2006

SIGNING OFFICERS

MAYOR

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Study Area: Kleinburg - Nashville (Rural Area) Community Plan Review

City of Vaughan
The City Above Toronto

Policy Planning Department

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Terms of Reference

Kleinburg-Nashville (Rural Area) Community Plan Review

1. Introduction

On May 7, 2007, Vaughan Council approved the Terms of Reference for the New Vaughan (city-wide) Official Plan. Within the approved Terms of Reference for the New Official Plan project, the Rural Area within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan is identified as one of four Focused Area Studies to be undertaken.

The rural/agricultural area of Kleinburg-Nashville is currently subject to strong development pressure. Accordingly, there is a need to proceed with a more detailed land use study and analysis that will result in updated land use, urban design and development policies which satisfy recent changes to the Provincial and Regional policy context. This work is intended to be completed in advance of the conclusion of the New Vaughan Official Plan process.

The Review will result in an amendment to the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan that will be consistent with the principles, goals and objectives identified in the process leading to the New Vaughan Official Plan. In order to achieve this, it will be imperative that the consulting team chosen for this Review collaborate with the consulting team working on the New Vaughan Official Plan. The Official Plan Amendment for Kleinburg-Nashville will be incorporated into the New Official Plan when it is completed.

2. Scope and Focus of Study

The focus of the Review is the lands designated "Rural Area" within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan Area - Official Plan Amendment No. 601, as amended. The scope of the study entails examining the Rural Area within the broader context of the Kleinburg Community and surrounding area. The Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan Area and its Rural Area lands are shown on Map 1.

3. Background/Context

3.1 Brief Overview of Kleinburg-Nashville's Heritage and Amenities

The settlement of Kleinburg dates back to approximately 1848. The Humber River Valley system and the source of energy it provided for the mills gave Kleinburg its start. The establishment of sawmills and gristmills attracted supporting trades and shopkeepers, and the village grew around it. The presence of the Kleinburg Railway Station, which supported commercial enterprises such as a grain elevator and lumber yard, contributed to the establishment of Nashville. The station was re-located in 1976 to Kleinburg, just north of the elementary school.

The history of Kleinburg-Nashville is evident through its significant buildings, sites, festivals and institutions, such as the McMichael Art Gallery (a major tourist draw), the Doctor's House, Klein House, Railway Station, and the Binder Twine Festival. The area offers significant natural and recreational resources, including the Humber River Valley System/conservations lands, nature trails, parks, and golf courses.

In 2003, the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District (KNHCD) Study and Plan was approved. The Plan, which includes Nashville, the Kleinburg Core and the adjacent valley system, provides guidance for: 1) the conservation of important historical, architectural, and landscape elements in the District, and; 2) the design of new development and redevelopment, to preserve and enhance the District's heritage character.

Although the rural lands on which the Review is focused are not located within the Heritage Conservation District boundary, the heritage designation plays an important role in understanding the planning context of the surrounding area within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan. The KNHCD Plan provides an urban design strategy/framework to guide growth for the surrounding, future development areas that were identified at that time. The framework was based on development represented within the KHCD Plan area – a village model – that requires new development to be integrated and compatible with the existing village and to enhance the Heritage District. It is expected that a similar approach will be taken for developable lands within the Focused Study Area through a set of urban design policies that establish a framework for urban design guidelines, together with an urban design/streetscape open space master plan at Block Plan stage.

3.2 Vaughan Official Plans

The Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan and subsequent Amendments provide the existing local planning policy context of the area which are relevant to the Focused Area Review.

In 2001, OPA 601 was approved, which resulted in an update to the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan (OPA 160). The Plan was established to guide the development and redevelopment within the Plan area, which includes two villages, rich in cultural heritage and rural character, surrounded by rural/agricultural lands and traversed by the Main and East Humber River valleys. Currently, the Community Plan area is surrounded by a rural area to the north, east and west, and an urban residential community (Woodbridge Expansion Area) to the south.

A key goal of the Community Plan is to strike a balance between demand for growth and the need to continue to protect and enhance the character of the community. With regard to community boundary and growth, the Official Plan (4.2.2. 2)) states: "Any consideration of urban uses to the north, west or east of the community shall explicitly consider the implications on the Kleinburg-Nashville community in terms of the maintenance of its residential and village character, and the impacts of traffic, noise, and effect on community services." The Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan Natural Environment Background Study and the environmental policies of the Official Plan are key components. The Focused Area Review is required to consider these matters.

In 2004, OPA 610 amended the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan (OPA 601) by providing policies for the environmental area that was identified and designated as the "Regional Road 27 Valley Corridor Study Area" between Rutherford Road and Nashville Road. The objectives of OPA 610 was to: provide a framework for the development of the natural trail system in the valley corridor; provide additional policies for the enhancement, restoration and acquisition of natural areas in the valley corridor; and, define where limited development potential is appropriate.

In 2006, OPA 633 (Kleinburg Core Area Policy Review) amended the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan (OPA 601) by incorporating: a new "Mainstreet Commercial" designation to the Kleinburg Core; new policies with respect to scale, massing, built form and permitted uses; revised policies for the permitted uses in the "Kleinburg Core"; recommendations and policies contained in the Heritage Conservation District Study and Plan; and, policies related to Cash-in-lieu of Parking within the "Mainstreet Commercial" designation. OPA 633 was approved by the Region of York in 2007, but was appealed and is currently before the Ontario Municipal Board.

3.3 Region of York Official Plans

In terms of Regional Structure, York Region's Official Plan (2004) identifies Kleinburg-Nashville as "Towns and Villages" for the built-up area and the remainder as "Agricultural Area", Rural Policy Area" and "Greenlands", which recognizes the Humber River Valley System. In 2001, Regional Official Plan Amendment 19 was approved, which designated approximately 1700 acres

of land, located to the southwest of the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan, as "Urban Area" for employment use. South of the Community Plan is "Urban Area", consisting primarily of the residential expansion area of Woodbridge. To the north and east is the Rural Policy Area.

The Region of York is now engaged in a review of its Growth Management Plan, followed by the updating of its Official Plan based on the principles of sustainable development. In preparing the New Vaughan Official Plan and the Official Plans implementing the Focused Study Areas, it will be necessary to take into account the Region's growth management initiatives and its approach to sustainability. This will help to ensure that the Region's and City's environmental/sustainability programs are complimentary and supportive. For example, York Region's *New Communities Strategy* will result in the establishment of criteria for sustainable new community development. It is anticipated that once this initiative has been completed, together with a series of other initiatives that the Region is undertaking related to its Growth Management Plan, an Amendment to the Region's Official Plan will be introduced in the fall of 2008. The City is obliged to amend its Official Plan in conformity with the Provincial Policy and the Region of York Official Plan.

3.4 The Greenbelt Legislation

In 2005, the Province approved the Greenbelt Plan, which identified where urbanization should not occur within the Golden Horseshoe Area in order to provide permanent protection to the agricultural land base and the ecological features and functions on the landscape.

The Greenbelt Area does apply to certain lands, including portions of the Rural Area lands, within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan. The approximate boundary of the Greenbelt lands, as it applies to the Community Plan Area, is shown on Map 1 attached. The greenbelt boundary, in relation to certain areas within study area, will mark the developments limits and plays an important role in determining what areas can or cannot be developed and how they will be designed.

Regional and local municipalities are required to bring their plans into conformity with the Greenbelt Plan. The Region of York is currently working on bringing their Official Plan into conformity with the Greenbelt Plan. The Region's Amendment must be approved by the Province before local amendments can take place. It is expected that the Regional Amendment will be introduced as part of a series of growth management amendments contemplated for the fall of 2008.

3.5 The Growth Plan

Approved in 2006, the Provincial "Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe" establishes a policy framework for compact urban growth; sets intensification targets, directs growth to existing urban areas and transit corridors; limits Greenfield development; and promotes compact, transit-supportive development patterns. The Focused Area Review will be required to address the framework provided by the Growth Plan, including, but not limited to, the creation of a complete community and density targets.

A GTA West (Transportation) Corridor is identified in the Growth Plan as part of the policies for future provincial infrastructure to support growth. An Environmental Assessment Study is planned to examine the long-term transportation problems and opportunities to the year 2031 and consider alternative solutions to providing linkages between Urban Growth Centres in the GTA West Area (between Guelph and the Vaughan).

3.6 Other Initiatives

Additional initiatives planned for Kleinburg, which came out of the Kleinburg Core Area Policy Review Study, include: an Economic Development Strategy; a Streetscape Master Plan for the

main streets in the Core; a Tree Inventory/Preservation By-law; a city-wide review of parking standards and cash-in-lieu, and; a review of the sign by-law.

In February 2007, Vaughan Council approved a detailed work plan and time-line for proceeding with the Consolidated Growth Management Strategy and its components, the Environmental Master Plan, other component Master Plans and a new Vaughan Official Plan. In May 2007, the Terms of Reference for the New Vaughan Official Plan was approved. The Plan will provide the City with a comprehensive, contemporary policy framework to guide the City's future growth and to achieve sustainable community development to the year 2031. The lead consulting team (Urban Strategies Inc.) has commenced work on the project, which is expected for completion (Council adoption of the final Official Plan) by the fall 2010.

The Focused Area Review of the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan is one of four focused study areas to be undertaken. The Review will result in an Amendment to the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan that will be consistent with the principles, goals and objectives identified in the process leading to the New Vaughan Official Plan. The Review will also be informed by the Environmental Master Plan (the City's Sustainability Plan), which will provide an overall environmental ethic for the City and contain policies identifying how the City can move toward sustainability in all aspects of its operation. The Environmental Master Plan is scheduled for completion in the third quarter of 2008. The Amendment to the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan will be incorporated into the New Vaughan (city-wide) Official Plan.

In 2007, Region of York Official Plan Amendment No. 57 was approved, which amended the Regional Official Plan to extend lake based water supply to the community of Kleinburg-Nashville. The Amendment facilitates provision of additional water supply for approved and anticipated development in the Community Plan Area. Future growth is to be based on predominantly full municipal services. As a result of this Regional initiative, the City of Vaughan is currently undertaking a Servicing Strategy Master Plan Class Environmental Assessment to identify the water and waste water servicing needs for the Kleinburg-Nashville area. This will be completed by the end of 2008.

The City's Transportation Master Plan will evaluate in detail the local road network and identify the infrastructure that will be needed to efficiently accommodate the population and employment growth that will result from the implementation of the Growth Management Strategy. It will address both current and future transportation needs in an integrated and comprehensive fashion. Given the relationship between transportation and land use, the Transportation Master Plan study will be undertaken as a component of the New Vaughan Official Plan Review and the Focused Areas Studies.

In 2007, the Region of York initiated a transportation study known as the Western Vaughan Arterial Road Improvements Environmental Assessment. The purpose of the study is to identify transportation deficiencies in Western Vaughan as a whole, develop alternatives to address the deficiencies and secure Environmental Assessment Act clearance for the preferred alternatives. The final Environmental Study Report is expected to be filed in 2010. One area of concern is the possibility of the need to relocate Major Mackenzie Drive as much as 300 metres north of its current alignment to enable an interchange with an extended Highway 427.

In 2006, the Ministry of Transportation initiated the 427 Transportation Corridor Environmental Assessment. The purpose of the study is to address existing and short-term transportation problems related to the existing Highway 427 terminus at Highway 7, truck traffic to and from the CPR Vaughan Intermodal facility and inter-regional traffic on Highway 7, 27 and 50. To date, the study team has identified the need to extend Highway 427 north of Regional Road 7, and is now examining corridor alignment options including the new terminus point for the highway. It is expected that the preferred route will be made public for comment by Spring 2008. The next and final stages will be preliminary design, finalization of the Environmental Assessment document

and Ministry of Environment approval. Detailed design, land acquisition and construction may begin in 2010.

All of these initiatives/studies will continue on their own merits and schedule. While they play an important role to inform the Review, the progress or schedule of any one such study should not deter the schedule and priority of this Review. This would also apply to the GTA West (Transportation) Corridor as described in Section 3.5.

4. Purpose of the Review

The purpose of the Review is to establish an updated land use and urban design framework for the lands designated "Rural Area" within the Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan Area.

5. Components of the Review

The major components of the review will include the following:

5.1 Background Review and Analysis:

This includes the review and consideration of existing Provincial, Regional and local policies and regulations applicable to the subject lands, including, but may not be limited to, the Provincial Growth Plan (*Places to Grow*) and Greenbelt Legislation, Highway 427 Corridor Extension Environmental Assessment, the Western Vaughan Arterial Road Improvements Environmental Assessment, Region of York Official Plan/Amendments, Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan, Kleinburg-Nashville Community Plan Natural Environment Background Study, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Regulation(s) and the draft Terrestrial Natural Heritage Strategy, Kleinburg Official Plan/Amendments and zoning provisions. These documents will provide the regulatory basis/framework for the Study.

5.2 Issue Identification, Review and Analysis:

A review and analysis of existing conditions within and surrounding the Study Area and assembly of relevant information will be required, including but not limited to, existing land use, lot pattern, heritage resources, natural resources, community services, recent developments, community structure, and development applications for proposed development. The review and analysis of existing transportation networks, including roads/traffic and rail, as well as servicing will be required, which will be undertaken by the consultants working on the City's Transportation Master Plan and the Servicing Master Plan Class E.A. for Kleinburg-Nashville, respectively.

The assessment of existing conditions and relevant planning considerations, include:

- a) determining any issues associated with lands adjacent to natural resource and greenbelt areas, such as defining the development limits and determining availability of access and servicing; addressing City and TRCA environmental policy requirements;
- b) determining how to protect for the re-alignment of Major Mackenzie Drive and the Highway 427 Corridor Extension and appropriate land use(s) adjacent to the planned highway corridor;
- c) evaluating the ways in which more recent community development contributes positively or negatively to the area and identifying new approaches to development which is more sustainable, land use efficient and transit-supportive;

- d) determining appropriate land use(s) and densities in consideration of Provincial and Regional policies, the broader context of the community and surrounding areas, population projections and related planning matters/constraints;
- e) addressing the notion of sustainability in every dimension of the new Plan to provide increased emphasis on the triple bottom line concept during implementation (Ecology – eg. protection and restoration of habitat, water and energy conservation; Society – eg. community design, including storm water design; and, Economy – eg. economic spin-offs), which builds on the goals and policies of the Environmental Master Plan; emphasis on the creation of a healthy and inclusive community that supports new economic opportunities and a high quality of life with minimal impact on and potential to enhance the environment. Special consideration should be given to the following sustainability issues:
 - Natural systems and green space. The Kleinburg-Nashville area includes some of the highest quality, contiguous natural areas in the City of Vaughan. These are centred on the Humber River and connected to Greenbelt lands. The significance of these natural areas should be considered in an eco-regional context.
 - Energy conservation and climate protection. Reducing energy use in buildings and transportation is critical for greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions, while urban design and green space can mitigate climate change impacts.
 - Water conservation and water quality.
 - Pedestrian and cycling opportunities and transit-friendly design.
 - Continued improvements in waste reduction through Vaughan's three-stream waste reduction program.
- f) the impact on and the integration and connectivity with the existing and planned land uses within the surrounding area/community in terms of infrastructure, including GO/CP rail, urban design, traffic/roads, transit, the natural heritage system, cultural heritage, facilities, parks and community identity/character.

5.3 Development of Planning Principles, Goals and Objectives:

These will be formulated in consideration of the prevailing Provincial, Regional and Municipal policies, the surrounding land use context and the issues identified in 5.2 above. The principles, goals and objectives will be consistent with the principles, goals and objectives identified in the process leading to the new Official Plan.

5.4 Preparation of Land Use/Development Alternatives and Urban Design Framework:

The development and evaluation of a number of land use and development options/scenarios (at least three) for the Study Area and a set of urban design policies that establish a framework for the required urban design guidelines, together with an urban design/streetscape open space master plan, at Block Plan stage.

5.5 Develop Evaluation Criteria:

This shall be developed based on the analysis of all the issues identified in the study process, and the planning principles and objectives, in order to evaluate and rank the land use alternatives/development options based on the evaluation criteria.

- 5.6 Recommendation of Preferred Land Use/Development Alternative and Urban Design Framework.**
- 5.7 Prepare Secondary Plan/Official Plan Amendment for consideration of Council.**
- 5.8 Include as part of the Official Plan Amendment, implementation policies, such as enabling a Community Improvement Plan, phasing, etc.**

The preparation of a Staff report for Vaughan Council Public Hearing and Committee of the Whole will be required.

5.9 Consultation Program

Public consultation will play a key role in this Review in order to achieve a broad level of public acceptance for recommended policies and a land use plan(s). A variety of techniques should be used to convey an understanding of how the Focused Study Area will be developed, including a range of illustration techniques.

The consultant will design and be responsible for organizing a full consultation and engagement program, including community information and workshop meetings with residents, ratepayer groups, the business community, the development community, public agencies and other special interest groups. Staff anticipate that one or more Stakeholder Consultation Groups (SCG's) will be established to represent the various interests and provide ongoing input at key points in the study process. A Technical Advisory Committee should be established (comprising City staff, external agencies and other stakeholders) and statutory public meeting(s) will be required for an Official Plan Amendment.

Details of the proposed consultation process will be provided in the submission of candidate consulting teams.

6. The Consulting Team

The Study requires the services of a multi-disciplinary consulting team to address a number of issues and shall demonstrate expertise in:

- a) Land Use Planning
- b) Urban Design
- c) Environment
- d) Sustainable Development
- e) Public Consultation Facilitation

The City's Transportation Master Plan and the Servicing Master Plan Class Environmental Assessment for Kleinburg-Nashville will provide the transportation and servicing related analysis that is necessary for the successful completion of the Focused Area Review. The Review's consulting team will be required to be informed by these studies and collaborate with the consultants working on the transportation and servicing studies. Therefore, members of the consulting team will have, at minimum, a general knowledge and understanding of the issues and concepts related to transportation and servicing. The consulting team will also be required to be informed and collaborate with the City's Environmental Master Plan and the core team working on the New Vaughan Official Plan.

The consulting team will be led by a firm or consortium specializing in planning, with a demonstrated record in the formulation of Official Plan policy and large-scale land use plans and Community Plan review expertise. The lead firm will identify sub-consultants as part of the proposal and indicate the specific expertise offered to the Study and the extent of their

involvement in the project. Should all required areas of expertise be provided within a single firm, sub-consultants may not be required.

The consulting team will carry out the project under the project management of the Policy Planning Department with the input and participation from the core consulting team for the New Vaughan Official Plan, Development Planning, Parks, and Engineering Departments, and other internal departments as required.

7. Schedule and Staffing

The Study is expected to begin in the Spring of 2008 and should be completed within 12 months.

The upset limit for this study is \$180,000 (including all disbursements and taxes). The successful consultant will be required to submit for approval of the Commissioner of Planning and the Director of Policy Planning, a work plan and payment schedule prior to commencing the project. The work program will detail task timing and sequencing and meeting schedules. The consultant's detailed prices should identify task costs, meeting costs, costs for disbursements, contingencies and applicable taxes, per diems of each member of the team, plus a payment schedule for each key stage or component of the Review. The proposal will also identify the role(s) and responsibility(ies) of each member of the consulting team, including assigned hours by task, their direct involvement and responsibilities in the Review, and their relevant experience.

8. Deliverables

a) Background and Final Reports

- Background report(s) shall be prepared on each of the following components:
 - i) Land Use and Sustainable Community Development Options and Urban Design framework
 - ii) State of the Environment and environmental policy requirements
 - iii) Housing and demographics
- Final report with recommendations

The background and final reports shall be submitted as follows:

- 50 cerlox bound copies of each;
- 1 unbound copy
- 1 digital copy, in a format that can be edited.

b) The Draft Official Plan Amendment

The draft Official Plan Amendment document shall be submitted as follows:

- 50 cerlox bound copies;
- 1 unbound copy;
- 1CD/DVD (PDF) of the draft document and any related photos, graphics or maps in City-compatible software (Word, Power Point, Excel)

c) Final Official Plan Amendment

The final Official Plan Amendment document shall be submitted as follows:

- 50 cerlox bound copies;

- 1 unbound copy;
- 10 CD's/DVD's (PDF) of the final document and any relevant photos, graphics or maps in City-compatible software (Word, Power Point, Excel)

All illustrations contained within the above-referenced documents must be prepared in a way that effectively conveys the information when photocopied in black and white. Notwithstanding the above, the City may require documents or portions of documents to be in colour in order to convey the information more effectively.

Where appropriate, digital information shall be geo-referenced in accordance with City standards (NAD 83, 6 degrees UTM, Zone 17). Acceptable City formats include jpeg photos, AutoCAD dwg (2004 version), jpeg/bmp/tif/Adobe graphics. Specific technical information will be provided to the consultant.

d) Presentation Materials

Presentations shall be presented in PowerPoint format.

THIS IS SCHEDULE 'A' TO AMENDMENT NO. 601

ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2001

LEGEND

- SERVICED RESIDENTIAL
- FUTURE RESIDENTIAL
- SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL
- AREA INCLUDING KLEINBURG CORE AREA and MAINSTREET COMMERCIAL
- SPECIAL USE - GOLF
- RURAL AREA
- VALLEY & STREAM CORRIDOR
- OPEN SPACE
- NEIGHBOURHOOD PARK
- LINEAR PARK
- INTER-REGIONAL TRAIL
- WASTE DISPOSAL ASSESSMENT AREA
- REGIONAL ROAD 27 TRAIL ROUTE (PREFERRED)
- REGIONAL ROAD 27 TRAIL ROUTE (ALTERNATE)
- ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- AMENDMENT AREA
- VALLEY POLICY AREAS 1 TO 4

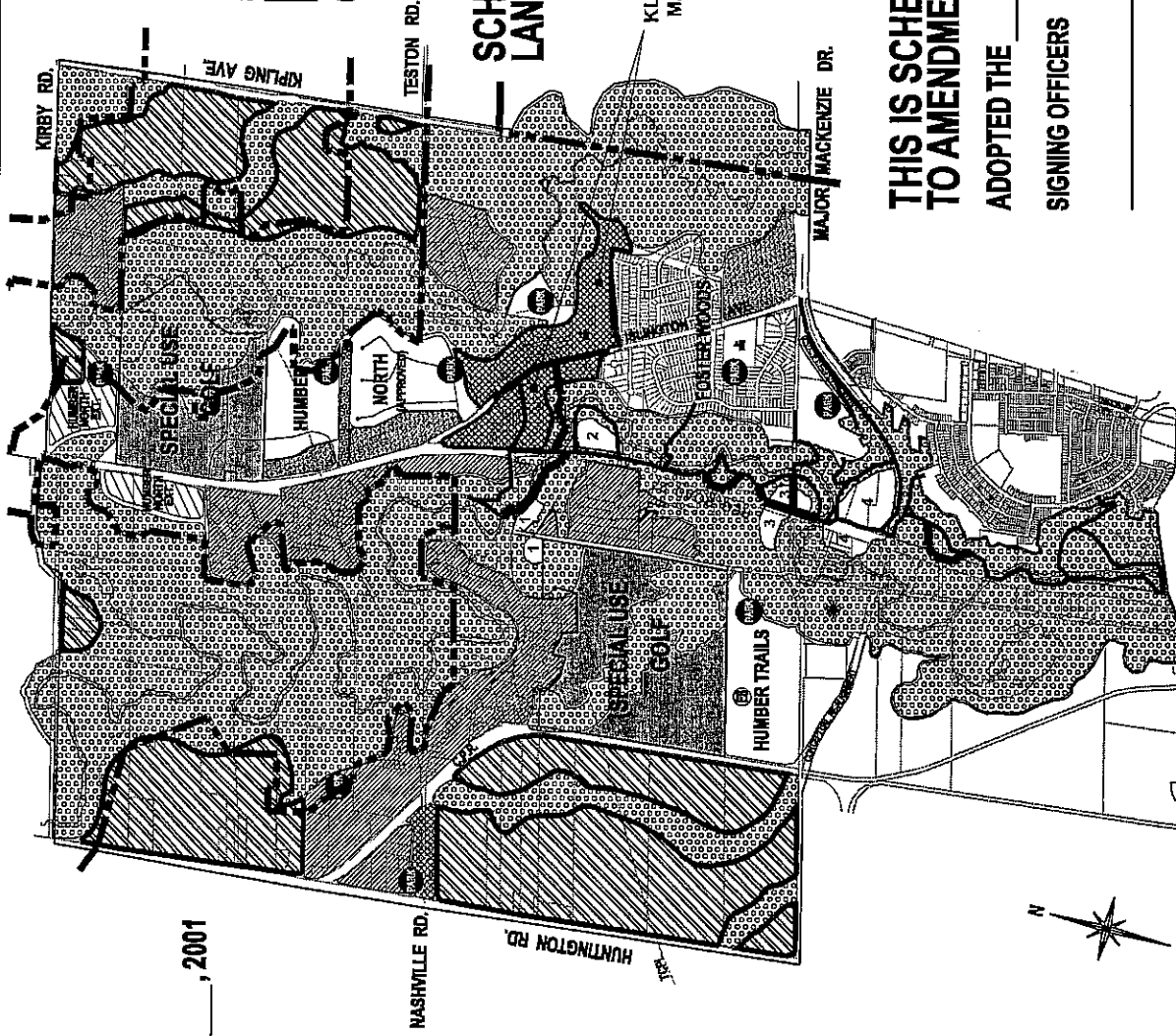
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FOCUSED AREA OF STUDY (RURAL AREAS)



Study Area: Kleinburg - Nashville (Rural Area) Community Plan Review

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SCHEDULE 'A' LAND USE

KLEINBURG CORE AREA and
MAINSTREET COMMERCIAL
SEE FURTHER
SCHEDULE "A1"

THIS IS SCHEDULE '2' TO AMENDMENT NO. 633

ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2006

SIGNING OFFICERS

MAYOR

CLERK

**CITY OF
Vaughan**

The City Above Toronto

Policy Planning Department

Map

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February 29, 2008

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