

**Proposed Amendment
63
to the
Official Plan
for the
Regional Municipality
of York**

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AMENDMENT 63
TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN
FOR
THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

PART A - THE PREAMBLE

1. Purpose of the Amendment:

The purpose of this Amendment is to provide for minor policy and mapping updates and changes.

2. Location:

This amendment applies throughout the Regional Municipality of York.

3. Basis:

From time to time, minor amendments to policies and mapping in the Regional Official Plan are required in response to changing circumstances such as road jurisdiction changes, mapping corrections and land use changes.

Proposed Amendment 63 provides some additional minor changes that are required.

PART B - THE AMENDMENT

All of the Amendment entitled PART B - 'THE AMENDMENT', consisting of the attached Policy and Map changes on Figures 1, 2 and 3 attached constitutes Amendment 63 to the Official Plan for the Regional Municipality of York.

The Official Plan for the Regional Municipality of York is hereby amended by the following:

1. **Section 2.1 - THE REGIONAL GREENLANDS SYSTEM, Policy 2.5.1 is amended by deletion of the words “as identified through” on lines 6 and 7 to be replaced by the words “as defined by” in the same place.¹**
2. Section 5.4 - LOCAL CENTRES, Policy 5.4.1 is amended by the addition of the words “East Gwillimbury and Georgina” at the end of the clause.

¹ Please note: the newspaper advertisement for this amendment incorrectly identified this change as changing the words “as defined by” to “as described by”. The correct version is reflected above, changing the current ROP wording “as identified through” to “as defined by”.

3. Section 5.8, AGRICULTURAL POLICY AREA, Policy 5.8.7 is deleted in its entirety to be replaced by the following:

“That a development proposal for a non-farm land use in the Agriculture Policy Area will require an amendment to this Plan and will be evaluated in accordance with the Provincial Policy Statement as follows:

- a) the land does not comprise a specialty crop area;
- b) there is a demonstrated need within the planning horizon for additional land to be designated to accommodate the proposed use;
- c) there are no reasonable alternative locations which avoid prime agricultural areas;
- d) there are no reasonable alternative locations in prime agricultural areas with lower priority agricultural lands; and
- e) impacts from any new or expanding non-agricultural uses on surrounding agricultural operations and lands should be mitigated to the extent feasible.”

4. That Map 5 – Regional Structure is amended by designating the lands shown outlined in RED on Figure 1 attached, as “Urban Area”.
5. That Map 9 - FUTURE ARTERIAL AND FREEWAY NETWORK is hereby amended by the redesignation of 16th Avenue between 9th line and Donald Cousins Parkway from “Other Arterial Road - Planned Basic Road Width up to 36 metres” to “Regional Road Existing” as shown on Figure 2 attached as Item 5.
6. That Map 10 - Conceptual Transit Network is amended by:
 - a) the addition of the designation of “Rapid Transit Corridor” along Yonge Street from Davis Drive to Green Lane; East on Green Lane to the GO Train Station in East Gwillimbury and East along Davis Drive to Highway 404 in the Town of Newmarket as shown on Figure 2 attached as Item 6 a).
 - b) amending the location of the “Proposed GO Station” on the Bradford GO train line from its current location north of Highway 7, southwards to a location between Highway 7 and Highway 407 as shown on Figure 3 attached as Item 6 b).
 - c) By designation of the Go Station at Bethesda Road and the Tenth Line (Lincolnville Station) in Whitchurch-Stouffville as “Existing GO Stations”