Orangeville's Official Plan Review

Statutory Public Meeting for Phase 1

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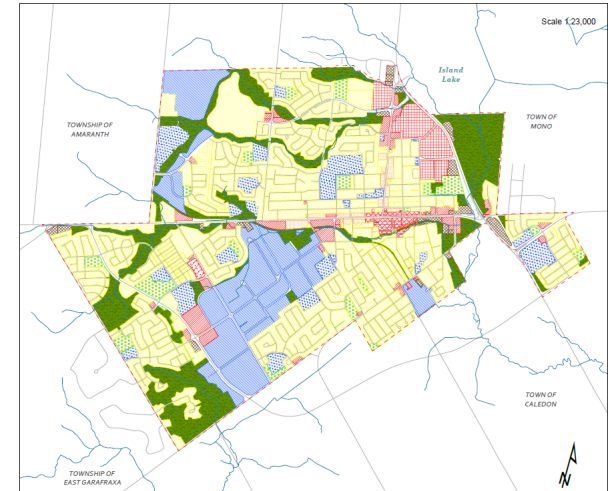
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7 p.m.

Outline

1. Our Official Plan
2. Scope of Review Phases
3. Official Plan Review Milestones
4. Meeting Purpose
5. Policy Update Highlights
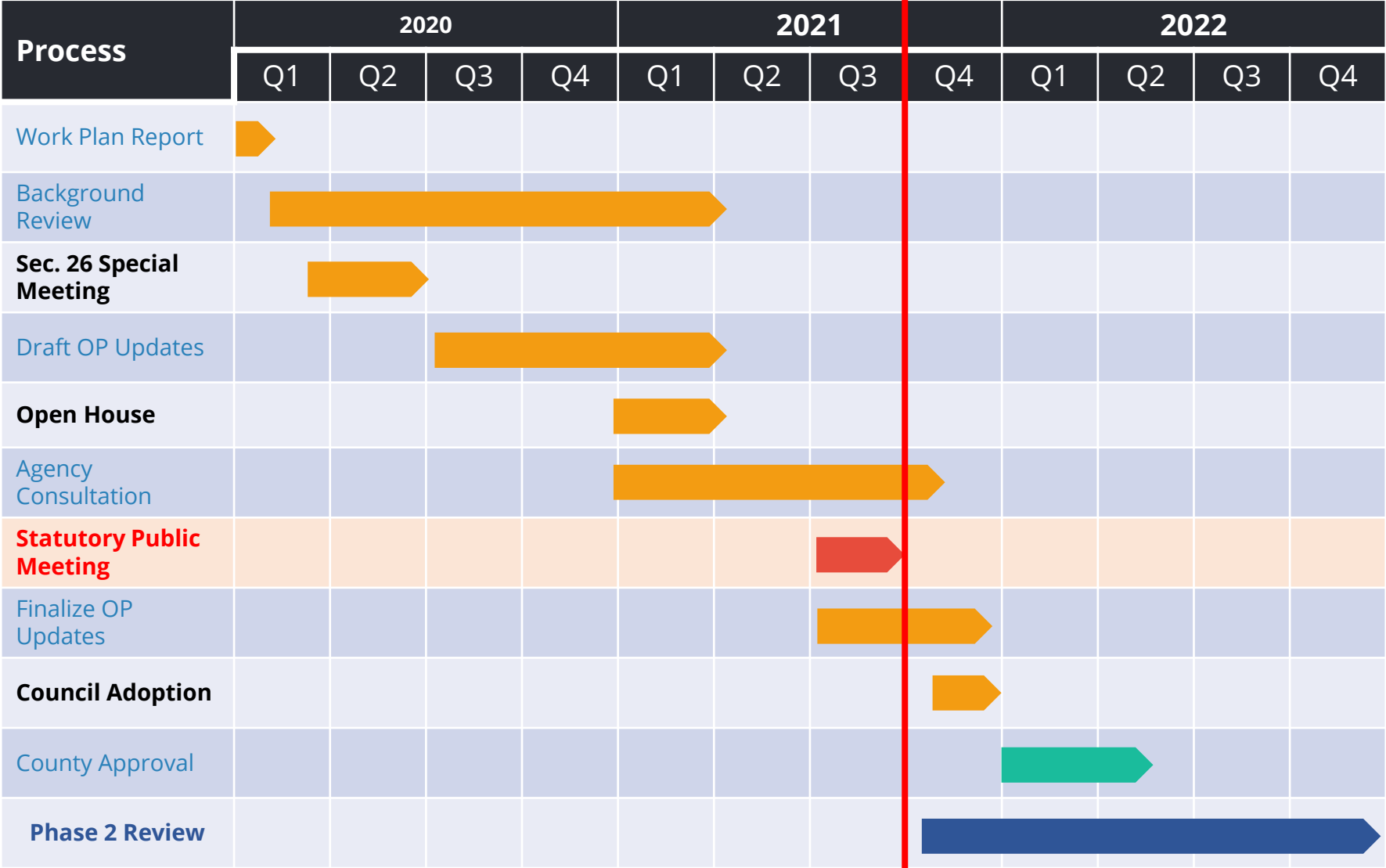6. Consultation
7. Next Steps

- Guides land use and development within the Town for a set period of time (typically 20 years)

- Implements provincial and County planning policies while addressing Town's objectives

- Legal status under the Planning Act:
  - Planning decisions must conform to our Official Plan
  - Official Plan must be reviewed every 5 years

- Policies are implemented through planning decisions and other documents (i.e. Zoning By-law)

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Official Plan Review Split into Phases

Phase 1	Phase 2
Focusing on general policy theme areas Similar to a housekeeping update Not focusing on growth management, land use	Will focus on growth management/land use matters Pending growth direction from County MCR

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Official Plan Review Milestones

Process	2020				2021				2022			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Work Plan Report	▮											
Background Review												
Sec. 26 Special Meeting												
Draft OP Updates												
Open House												
Agency Consultation												
Statutory Public Meeting												
Finalize OP Updates												
Council Adoption												
County Approval												
Phase 2 Review												

Purpose of this Meeting

- **Opportunity to review proposed (Phase 1) policy changes to the Plan**

- Continue consultation on proposed updates

- Draft Background Report and policy amendments will be finalized through this process

Statutory Consultation Process:

1. **Special Council meeting (July 6, 2020)**

2. **Public Open House (April 19, 2021)**

3. **Statutory Council Meeting (Tonight)**

    4. **Council Adoption**

    5. **County Approval**

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Update Highlights

	Policy Recommendations
Housing Types and Affordability	- New terminology for affordable housing - Enabling a future Municipal Housing Facilities By-law - Encouraging inclusionary zoning/housing

Second Dwelling Units	- More direction for regulating second dwelling units in the Zoning By-law:
	   - Dwelling types
	   - Parking
	   - Suitable access
	   - Landscaping and amenity area
	- Permit second dwelling units in townhouses
	- Limit second dwelling units to one per lot
	- Direction for a future public awareness program and municipal registry

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	Policy Recommendations
Ageing Population	- New policies promoting and describing accessibility principles and age-friendly design for implementation in new developments - Encouraging "ageing in place" formats for residential developments - New criteria for accessibility and age-friendly design

Heritage	- Responsibilities of Heritage Orangeville (per the Ontario Heritage Act)
	
	- Enhanced criteria for:
	   - heritage identification
	   - Heritage Impact Assessments
	   - Archaeological Assessments
	   - Recognizing trees and other vegetation that contribute to heritage character
	
	- Enable heritage conservation easements, agreements and securities to ensure heritage protection
	
	- Cultural heritage landscapes

Policy Recommendations

| Downtown | Permit hospitality activities Support temporary event uses and spaces Promote development that **enhances** the downtown Ensuring streetscapes remain pedestrian-friendly More support for Town-initiated measures Emphasis residential within and near the Downtown. New tools for parking arrangements: reduced or waived parking requirements shared parking cash-in-lieu of required parking |

	Policy Recommendations
Urban Design	Stronger design policies focusing on enhancing the built environment New criteria for: • Buildings, site design and landscaping, parking areas, lighting, outdoor storage and display, etc. • Drive-through facilities • Safe Environment: CPTED • Implementation tools (architectural control)
Active Transportation	• changes to promote awareness and benefits of encouraging active transportation, including new terminology
Roads and Mobility	• Update language for clarity and consistency with other initiatives • Update Schedule E to reflect advancing roadways and development patterns

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	Policy Recommendations

Servicing Capacity	• Reorganize policy sections regarding servicing (Section C and Section H) for clarity
	• Update servicing capacity references:
	  - Sewage: 36,490 people
	  - Water: 34,000 people

Stormwater Management	Stronger policy direction to ensure stormwater management infrastructure is:
	  o Consistent with CVC policies and guidelines
	  o located outside of natural heritage systems
	  o integrated as a local amenity
	  o reflects current trends and best practices

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Policy Recommendations
New policy concepts regarding how the built environment can influence healthy behaviours and lifestyles:

Healthy Development

New policy concepts regarding how the built environment can influence healthy behaviours and lifestyles:

- Enable reduced parking ratios for large-format commercial
- Improve design for pedestrians in parking areas
- Accessibility site design features per AODA
- Age-friendly housing concepts (flex design)
- Amenities within walking distance of residential areas
- Modified grid street patterns (avoid cul-de-sacs)
- Rear laneway concepts
- Intensification developments to be interconnected with surroundings

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Source Water Protection	Policy Recommendations
	Implement the CTC Source Protection Plan framework: • Map schedules for vulnerable areas • Identify restricted activities in wellhead protection areas • Application submission requirements • More direction for infiltration and low impact development (LID) features
Parks and Recreation	• Consolidate policies to one section of the OP • More detail for parkland dedication and cash-in-lieu conveyance • Enable the Town's Recreation and Parks Master Plan (2020) and Cycling and Trails Master Plan (2019) to guide future parkland and facilities

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Policy Recommendations
Sustainability

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More policy guidance and support for: • mitigating causes and adapting to climate change (Increasing greenspace and natural surfaces) • Sustainable development criteria (dark sky lighting, coordinating utilities, connected neighbourhoods, promoting local food sources) • Avoiding over-development (excessive demands on infrastructure, negative impacts to local character, exceeding height/density provisions, etc.) • Water conservation (fixtures, landscaping) • Energy efficiency • Waste reduction (using recycled materials)

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Policy Recommendations

Natural Heritage	New **Natural Heritage** section:
	- Natural Heritage System designation
	- Natural feature identification (updated mapping and policy description)
	- Permitted uses and development criteria
	- Development restrictions within, and on adjacent lands
	- Criteria for boundary interpretation and re-designation
	- Public acquisition
	- Urban forestry, including removal compensation and tree canopy target

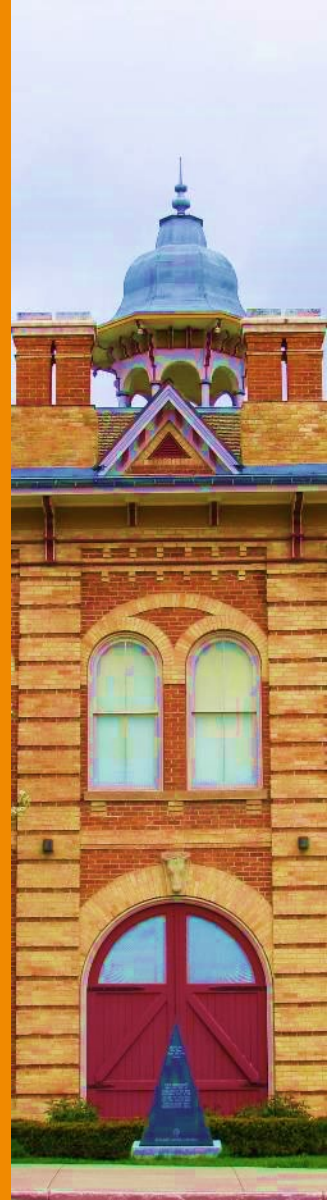| Implementation Tools	Policy Recommendations

	Provides the Town's "tool kit" for implementing the Official Plan, giving direction for items such as Zoning, Holding Provisions, Applications (i.e., land division, site plan approval)
	
	- More direction for the following tools:
	   - Temporary Use
	   - Legal Non-conforming
	   - Holding Provisions
	   - Financial Securities
	   - Public Notification
	- Add new policies to enable the following:
	   - Pre-Consultation
	   - Community Benefits (Section 37)
	- Add a Glossary of defined terms to assist with interpretation

Response	
Public	No public comments received

Town Divisions	Specific comments received from the following:
	
	- Community Services,
	    - Economic Development
	    - Parks and Facilities
	- Infrastructure Services,
	    - Transportation & Development
	    - Environment (Source Water Protection)

Agencies	- **Dufferin County**: Specific comments on certain policy language - **CVC**: detailed comments on various policy areas, particularly related to natural environment and source water protection

Next Steps

1. Tonight's meeting is to **review proposed amendments and any feedback received**

2. **Address comments received** and modify policy updates where necessary

3. Final Phase 1 Official Plan update recommendation to **Council for adoption**

4. Phase 1 OP Update to be **approved by the County**

Phase 2 Review to begin later Fall 2021 and will follow the same statutory process as Phase 1

More Information

Orangeville.ca/official-plan-review

For more information about Orangeville's Official Plan Review, to submit comments, or if you would like to be kept informed of any future meetings about this review, contact: **planning@orangeville.ca**

All Official Plan Review materials can be found on our **OP Review webpage**:

- Draft Background Report

- Draft Policy Changes

- Past Presentations and Reports