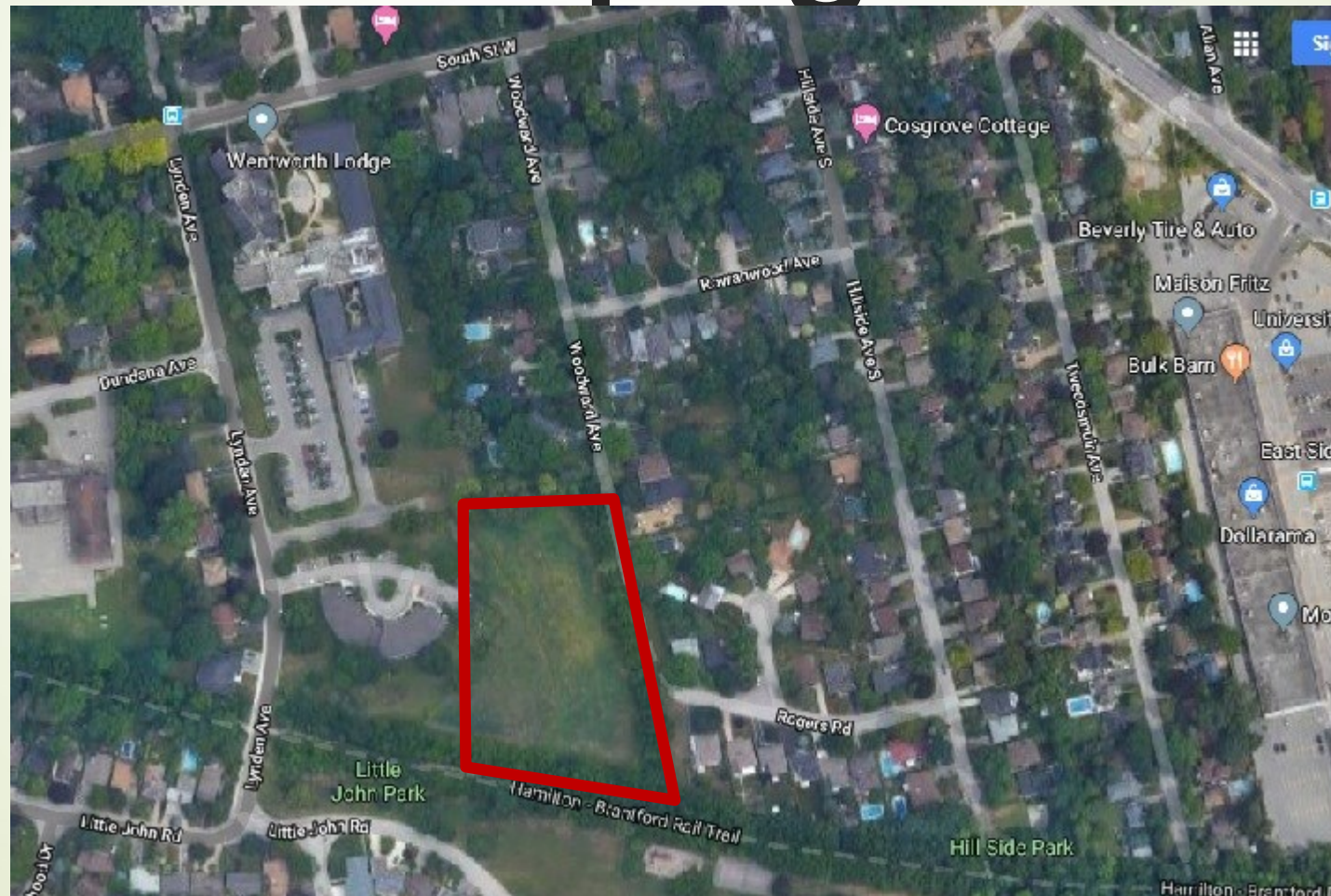




Improving Public Consultation when Developing Public Lands



Difficulties with the process...



Ward 13 Community Council
Councillor's Advisory Group
Meeting
Dundas Town Hall
6:30 pm
Monday, Nov. 18, 2019
This Month's Topic
Wentworth Lodge Lands

Our Ward 13 Voice on City Council

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for information

- Little information was provided to participants prior to the meetings
- Single development proposal outlined without possible alternatives hindered constructive feedback
- Residents unsure of what was taken away from **community input**, and also what **options were still on the table from the city's point of view**

The proposal presented on Nov 18 was roundly opposed by the community indicating the need for better consultation.

Formation of a Joint Committee of Residents working with the City which would:

- ▶ **Save valuable time** for city staff /elected representatives
- ▶ Utilize stakeholders within the community to bring **local wisdom** to city staff's experience for an **appropriate evidence-based decision**
- ▶ **Improve communication and engagement**

E.g. Utilize results of a neighbourhood survey to find common ground for a community supported development proposal.



Can Council Support the Creation of a Community Working Group to Guide the Development of the Wentworth Lodge Lands?

- **Arlene and Edward John's expertise, time and effort have been invaluable and their leadership, partnering with community representatives, would lead to a welcome end result for this surplus land**

Questions?

Appendix:

Some consensus from the Community Survey

I Priorities (in order of what we want)	II Concerns (what we fear)	III Planning Goals (what we value)
<p>1 preserve streetscapes/trees</p> <p>2 fit into the existing character of neighbourhood</p> <p>3 maintain street safety</p>	<p>1 streets getting widened</p> <p>2 increased traffic/parking</p> <p>3 Woodward being extended</p>	<p>1 community garden or public greenspace</p> <p>2 no preference if concerns are addressed</p> <p>3 seniors residence</p> <p>4 affordable housing</p>

This feedback can augment existing input. This survey could be professionally redone.