

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Planning Committee Meeting: May 14, 2024

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. FRANCIS .....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR .....**

**Review of Planning Permissions to Align with Council's Intensification Direction**

WHEREAS, staff are currently undertaking planning for the Major Transit Station Areas which will review existing density and height permissions along the entirety of the LRT corridor to ensure conformity with provincial minimum density targets around Major Transit Station Areas;

WHEREAS, through the next phase of the Municipal Comprehensive Review, staff have initiated a local context planning review which will also include a review of policies around key streets and intersections across the City for opportunities to refine the City's intensification policies to better reflect and respond to the type and scale of redevelopment seen in these areas;

WHEREAS, the City Wide Secondary Plan Review was undertaken in 2009 through Report PED08017(a) to determine where and when Secondary Plans and Community Strategies should be prepared and staff will be undertaking a review of existing Secondary Plan areas and planning permissions for increased heights/densities;

WHEREAS, the provincial priorities respecting managing growth have changed and the City has responded to these changing priorities through the Municipal Comprehensive Review and other policy initiatives;

WHEREAS, Bill 150 requires any decision of a municipality or the Ontario Land Tribunal made under the Planning Act, as well as any by-law passed by a municipality must conform with the official plan;

WHEREAS, updates to the Official Plans are required to increase housing opportunities across the City in accordance with provincial minimum density targets;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- (a) That through the work on Major Transit Station Area planning, the next phase of the City's Municipal Comprehensive Review workplan, and the next phases of the Residential Zones Project for Mid Rise Residential and High Rise Residential zones, that staff review and report back on the review of the following:
  - (i) All existing nodes, corridors, and key intersections both within existing Secondary Plan areas and outside of existing Secondary Plan areas and planning permissions for increased heights/densities, to align with

Council's intensification direction related to no urban boundary expansion and other more recent provincial policies.