




COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	May 2, 2022
SUBJECT:	GRIDS 2 / MCR – draft MCR Official Plan Amendment available for review and reminder of upcoming Open House and Public Meeting (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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The purpose of this Communication Update is to provide Council with a GRIDS 2 / MCR project update to advise of important information now available for review and the upcoming virtual Open House (May 3, 2022) and Public Meeting (May 17, 2022).

Information and Materials for Review

The City has now posted the draft Phase 1 Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) Official Plan Amendment (OPA) material for public review on the [OP Review webpage](#) and the [GRIDS 2 / MCR webpage](#).

Through the [OP Review webpage](#) and the [GRIDS 2 / MCR webpage](#) you will be able to access the following information for review and consideration:

- Staff report PED21067(b);
- Draft Urban Hamilton Official Plan Amendment;
- Draft Rural Hamilton Official Plan Amendment; and,
- All subsequent report appendices providing details about the rationale for the proposed amendments.

The proposed Phase 1 MCR Official Plan Amendments are required to ensure that the City's Official Plans are updated to reflect provincial land use planning policies, and to implement Council's decision for the No Urban Boundary Expansion growth scenario.

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The draft Official Plan Amendments have been updated to respond to comments received during the public consultation undertaken during February and March of this year.

Virtual Public Open House – May 3, 2022

A reminder that Planning Division staff are hosting a virtual Open House for the public on **May 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.** The purpose of the Open House is to present the final draft Urban and Rural Official Plan Amendments for Phase 1 of the City's MCR, and to provide an opportunity for the public to ask questions to Planning Division staff.

Registration is required. [Click here for registration information.](#)

Virtual Statutory Public Meeting – May 17, 2022

The Statutory Public Meeting for the MCR will be held on **Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 9:30 am** as part of a meeting of the City's [Planning Committee](#). The Public Meeting will be held **virtually**.

The purpose of the Statutory Public Meeting is to present the final draft Official Plan Amendments for the MCR to Planning Committee for approval and to give an opportunity for the public to provide input. **Delegations at the Public Meeting must register in advance. [Click here for delegate registration information.](#)**

Written comments for the Public Meeting can be submitted by noon May 16, 2022 by emailing clerk@hamilton.ca or by mailing the Legislative Coordinator, Planning Committee, City of Hamilton, 71 Main Street West, 1st Floor, Hamilton, Ontario, L8P 4Y5.

This meeting as part of the scheduled Planning Committee can be viewed at:

- City's Website: <https://www.hamilton.ca/council-committee/council-committee-meetings/council-committee-live-stream>
- City's YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/InsideCityofHamilton>

If you have any questions and would like to reach GRIDS 2 / MCR project staff, please email GRIDS2-MCR@hamilton.ca.

If you require any further information on the above matter, please contact Heather Travis, Senior Project Manager by e-mail at Heather.Travis@hamilton.ca or at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 4168 or Delia McPhail, Planner by email at Delia.McPhail@hamilton.ca or at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 6663.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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