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Bill No. 035

CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 26-035

To Adopt:

**Official Plan Amendment No. 249 to the
Urban Hamilton Official Plan**

Respecting:

**Remnant Commercial Land Update
(City Wide)**

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. Amendment No. 249 to the Urban Hamilton Official Plan consisting of Schedule “1”, hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby adopted.

PASSED this 11th day of February, 2026.

A. Horwath
Mayor

M. Trennum
City Clerk

Urban Hamilton Official Plan Amendment No. 249

The following text, together with:

Appendix "A"	Volume 1: Schedule E-1 – Urban Land Use Designations
Appendix "B"	Volume 2: Chapter B.6.0 – Hamilton Secondary Plans
Appendix "C"	Volume 2: Map B.6.2-1 – Ainslie Wood Westdale Secondary Plan Land Use Plan
Appendix "D"	Volume 2: Map B.6.7-4 – Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan – Area and Site Specific Policy Areas
Appendix "E"	Volume 2: Map B.7.1-1 – Western Development Area Secondary Plan Land Use Plan
Appendix "F"	Volume 3: Map H-9 – Area Specific Policies
Appendix "G"	Volume 3: Map H-11 – Area Specific Policies

attached hereto, constitutes Official Plan Amendment No. 249 to the Urban Hamilton Official Plan.

1.0 Purpose and Effect:

The purpose and effect of this Amendment is to:

- amend the Urban Hamilton Official Plan by redesignating lands within Volume 1 and Volume 2, and adding lands to existing Area Specific Policies within Volume 3, to correct inconsistencies between existing land uses and the Urban Hamilton Official Plan designations to implement the Commercial and Mixed Use zoning; and,
- amend the Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan by amending an existing Site Specific Policy to implement the Commercial and Mixed Use zoning and remove redundant policies.

2.0 Location:

The lands affected by this Amendment are located within the Urban Area of the City of Hamilton.

3.0 Basis:

The basis for permitting this Amendment is:

- The Amendment creates consistency in implementation between the policies of the Urban Hamilton Official Plan and the regulations of the Commercial and Mixed Use (CMU) and Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC) Zones; and,
- The Amendment is consistent with the Provincial Planning Statement, 2024.

4.0 Actual Changes:

4.1 Volume 1 – Parent Plan

Schedules and Appendices

4.1.1 Schedule

- a. That Volume 1: Schedule E-1 – Urban Land Use Designations be amended by:
- i) Redesignating the following lands from “Neighbourhoods” to “Mixed Use – Medium Density”;
 - 1. Part of 975 Queenston Road, Hamilton;
 - 2. 17, 19, and 21 Crosthwaite Avenue North, Hamilton;
 - 3. 11 Arthur Avenue North, Hamilton;
 - 4. Part of 1510 Main Street West, Hamilton.
 - ii) Redesignating parts of the lands located at 367, 369, and 385 Highway No. 8, Stoney Creek from “Neighbourhoods” to “District Commercial”;
 - iii) Redesignating the following lands from “Neighbourhoods” to “Arterial Commercial”;
 - 1. 660, 670, 672, 674 Barton Street, Stoney Creek; and,
 - 2. 823 Highway No. 8, Stoney Creek.

- iv) Redesignating the lands located at 351 Highway No. 8, Stoney Creek from “District Commercial” to “Institutional”; and,
 - v) Redesignating the lands located at 20 and 22 Deerhurst Road, Stoney Creek from “District Commercial” to “Neighbourhoods”;
- as shown in Appendix “A”, attached to this Amendment.

4.2 Volume 2 – Secondary Plans

Text

4.2.1 Chapter B.6.0 – Hamilton Secondary Plans – Section B.6.7 – Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan

- a. That Volume 2: Chapter B.6.0 – Hamilton Secondary Plans, Section B.6.7 – Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan, Policy B.6.7.18.4 be amended as detailed in Appendix “B”, attached to this Amendment.

Maps

4.2.2 Maps

- a. That Volume 2: Map B.6.2-1 – Ainslie Wood Westdale Secondary Plan – Land Use Plan be amended by:
 - i) redesignating part of 1510 Main Street West, Hamilton from “General Open Space” to “Mixed Use – Medium Density”; and,
 - ii) identifying the subject lands as part of Area Specific Policy – Area “E”,
 as shown in Appendix “C”, attached to this Amendment;
- b. That Volume 2: Map B.6.7-4 – Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan – Area and Site Specific Policy Area Map be amended by removing the Site Specific Policy Area – D-1 identification, as shown in Appendix “D”, attached to this Amendment.
- c. That Volume 2: Map B.7.1-1 – Western Development Area Secondary Plan – Land Use Plan be amended by redesignating part of 367, 369, and 385

Highway No. 8, Stoney Creek from “Low Density Residential 2b” to “District Commercial” as shown in Appendix “E”, attached to this Amendment.

4.3 Volume 3 – Special Policy Areas, Area Specific Policies, and Site Specific Policies

4.3.1 Maps

- a. That Volume 3: Map H-9 – Hamilton Area Specific Policies be amended by identifying 11 Arthur Avenue North, Hamilton as part of Area Specific Policy UH-6, as shown in Appendix “F”, attached to this Amendment; and,
- b. That Volume 3: Map H-11 – Hamilton Area Specific Policies be amended by identifying 17, 19, and 21 Crosthwaite Avenue North, Hamilton as part of Area Specific Policy UH-6, as shown in Appendix “G”, attached to this Amendment.

5.0 Implementation:

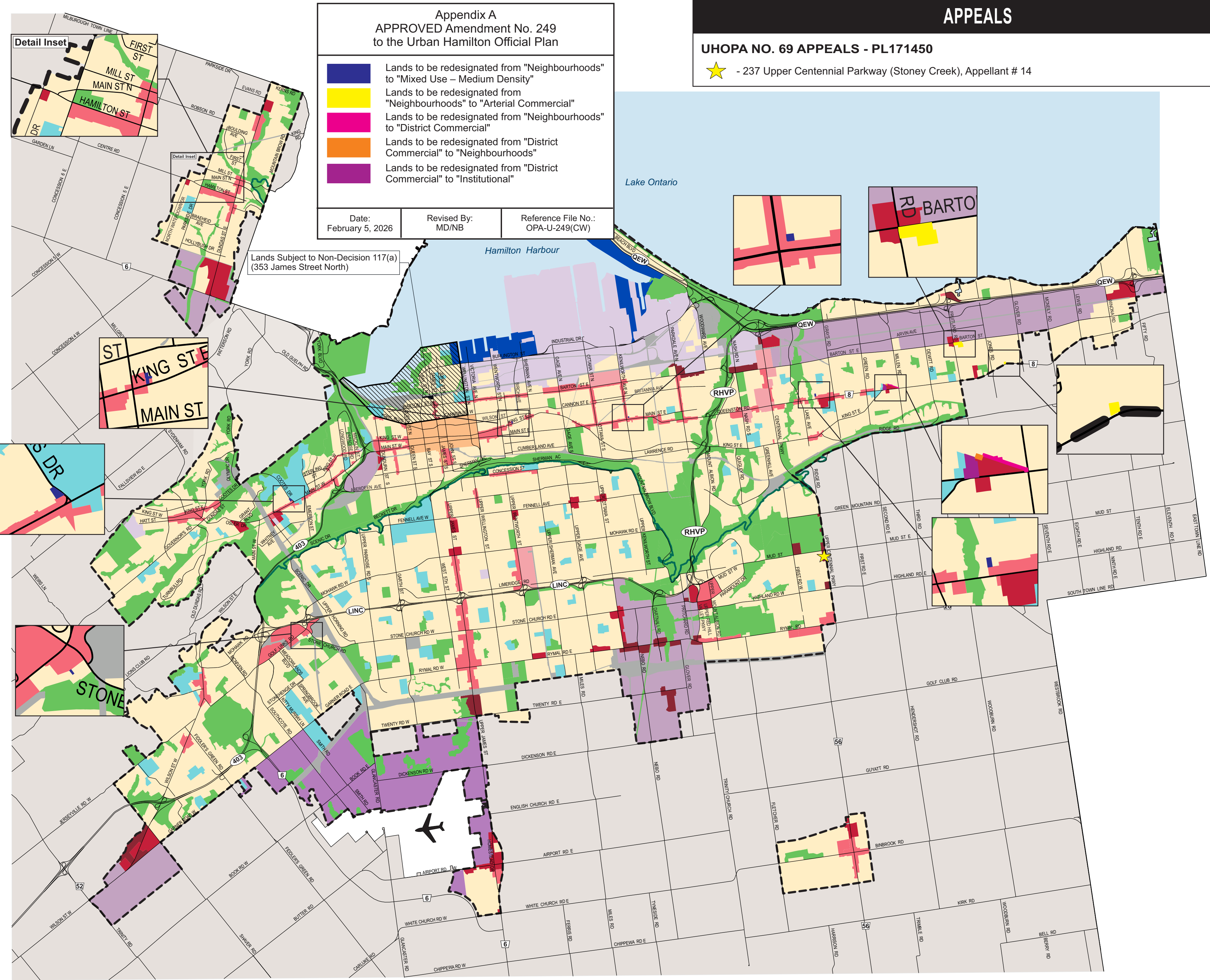
An implementing Zoning By-Law Amendment will give effect to the intended uses on the subject lands.

This Official Plan Amendment is Schedule “1” to By-law No. 26-035 passed on the 11th day of February, 2026.

**The
City of Hamilton**

A. Horwath
Mayor

M. Trennum
City Clerk



Appendix A
APPROVED Amendment No. 249
to the Urban Hamilton Official Plan

Lands to be redesignated from "Neighbourhoods" to "Mixed Use – Medium Density"

Lands to be redesignated from "Neighbourhoods" to "Arterial Commercial"

Lands to be redesignated from "Neighbourhoods" to "District Commercial"

Lands to be redesignated from "District Commercial" to "Neighbourhoods"

Lands to be redesignated from "District Commercial" to "Institutional"

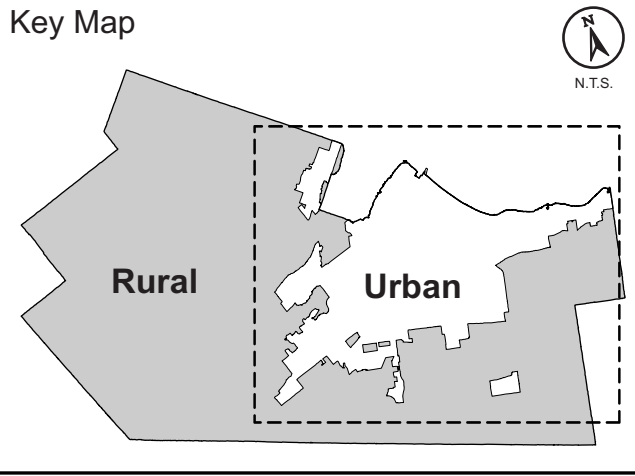
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OPA-U-249(CW)

UHOA NO. 69 APPEALS - PL171450

★ - 237 Upper Centennial Parkway (Stoney Creek), Appellant # 14



Note: For Rural Land Use Designations, refer to Schedule D of the Rural Hamilton Official Plan.

Legend

Neighbourhoods

Open Space

Institutional

Utility

Commercial and Mixed Use Designations

Downtown Mixed Use Area

Mixed Use - High Density

Mixed Use - Medium Density

District Commercial

Arterial Commercial

Employment Area Designations

Industrial Land

Business Park

Airport Employment Growth District

Shipping & Navigation

Other Features

Rural Area

John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport

Niagara Escarpment

Urban Boundary

Municipal Boundary

Lands Subject to Non Decision 113 West Harbour Setting Sail

Council Adoption: July 9, 2009
Ministerial Approval: March 16, 2011
Effective Date: August 16, 2013

Urban Hamilton Official Plan
Schedule E-1
Urban Land Use Designations

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Appendix “B” – Volume 2: Chapter B-6 – Hamilton Secondary Plans

Proposed Change	Proposed New / Revised Policy
Grey highlighted strikethrough text = text to be deleted	Bolded text = text to be added
B.6.7.18.4 Site Specific Policy – Area D (502 to 560 Centennial Parkway North) For the lands located at 502 to 560 Centennial Parkway North, designated District Commercial and Business Park and shown as Site Specific Policy – Area D on Map B.6.7-4 – Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan – Area and Site Specific Policy Areas, the following policies shall apply: (OPA 142) a) The lands shall be developed with a mix of retail and non-retail uses and serve as a mixed use gateway into the City. b) In addition to Policies E.4.7.3 c), E.4.7.7 and E.5.4.6 the maximum gross floor area for all development shall not exceed 45,058 square metres, excluding the gross floor area for a multi-storey self storage facility. bc) On the lands designated District Commercial, the following policies shall apply: i) In addition to the uses permitted in Policy E.4.7.2 – District Commercial of Volume 1, the following uses shall also be permitted: 1. one department store; 2. hotel and convention centre; 3. entertainment uses; and 4. arts and cultural uses; and, 5. one multi-storey self storage facility. ii) Notwithstanding Policies E.4.7.2 b) and E.4.7.8 – District Commercial of Volume 1, main floor offices and stand-alone office buildings shall be permitted in accordance with the Zoning By-law. iii) Notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.2 b)c) – District Commercial of Volume 1, no residential uses shall be permitted. iiiv) Notwithstanding Policies E.4.7.3 c) and E.4.7.7 of Volume 1, the maximum amount of	B.6.7.18.4 Site Specific Policy – Area D (502 to 560 Centennial Parkway North) For the lands located at 502 to 560 Centennial Parkway North, designated District Commercial and Business Park and shown as Site Specific Policy – Area D on Map B.6.7-4 – Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan – Area and Site Specific Policy Areas, the following policies shall apply: (OPA 142) a) The lands shall be developed with a mix of retail and non-retail uses and serve as a mixed use gateway into the City. b) In addition to Policies E.4.7.3 c), E.4.7.7 and E.5.4.6 the maximum gross floor area for all development shall not exceed 45,058 square metres, excluding the gross floor area for a multi-storey self storage facility. c) On the lands designated District Commercial, the following policies shall apply: i) In addition to Policy E.4.7.2 of Volume 1, the following uses shall also be permitted: 1. one department store; 2. hotel and convention centre; 3. entertainment uses; 4. arts and cultural uses; and, 5. one multi-storey self storage facility. ii) Notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.2 b) of Volume 1, no residential uses shall be permitted. iii) Notwithstanding Policies E.4.7.3 c) and E.4.7.7 of Volume 1, the maximum amount of gross floor area for one department store shall not exceed 18,581 square metres. iv) Notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.3 c) of Volume 1, a multi-storey self storage facility with a maximum gross floor area of 12,900 square meters shall be permitted.

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gross floor area for one department store shall not exceed 18,581 square metres. iv) Notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.3 c) of Volume 1, a multi-storey self storage facility with a maximum gross floor area of 12,900 square meters shall be permitted. v) A multi-storey self storage facility shall not be located directly adjacent to Centennial Parkway North. vi) Notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.7 of Volume 1, the maximum gross floor area of retail and service commercial floor space permitted on the lands is 34,142 square metres. de e) On the lands designated Business Park, the following policies shall apply: i) Notwithstanding Policy E.5.4.3 of Volume 1, on the lands designated Business Park, the following policies shall apply: waste processing facilities and waste transfer facilities shall be prohibited. i) Notwithstanding the uses permitted in Policy E.5.4.3 of Volume 1, the following uses shall not be permitted: 1. retail establishments as ancillary uses, except as provided in policy 6.7.18.4 c) ii); 2. waste processing facilities and waste transfer facilities. ii) Notwithstanding Policies E.5.4.5 and E.5.4.6 of Volume 1, the following uses shall be permitted: 1. office buildings with a minimum gross floor area of 2,000 square metres and a maximum gross floor area of 3,999 square metres; and 2. limited ancillary uses and convenience retail, as defined in the Zoning By-law, on the ground floor of an office building with a minimum gross floor area of 2,000 square metres and a maximum gross floor area of 3,999 square metres.	v) A multi-storey self storage facility shall not be located directly adjacent to Centennial Parkway North. iv) Notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.7 of Volume 1, the maximum gross floor area of retail and service commercial floor space permitted on the lands is 34,142 square metres. c) On the lands designated Business Park, the following policy shall apply: i) Notwithstanding Policy E.5.4.3 c) of Volume 1, <i>waste processing facilities and waste transfer facilities</i> shall be prohibited. d) <i>Development</i> shall be consistent with the urban design guidelines approved for the site and Policies B.6.7.8.14 e) and f). e) The following Design Principles shall apply: ... f) The lands shall be developed in accordance with the following urban design policies: ... iv) Vehicular Access 1. The number and location of vehicular access points shall be limited so as to minimize disruption to traffic flow and to minimize the impact on local streets.

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d) Notwithstanding Policies E.4.7.3 c) and E.4.7.7 – District Commercial and Section E.5.4.6 and E.5.4.7 – Employment Area – Business Park Designation of Volume 1, the following provisions shall apply: i) The maximum gross floor area for all development shall not exceed 45,058 square metres. ii) Development of the site shall be completed in a phased manner consisting of an initial permitted development of 23,226 square metres of retail and service commercial uses. An additional 1 square metre of retail and service commercial uses shall be permitted for every 1 square metre of non-retail, employment and service uses, as identified in the Zoning Bylaw, for which construction has substantially commenced on the site. iii) Notwithstanding Policy 6.7.18.4 d) i) an increase in the total maximum gross floor area for all development may be permitted without amendment to this Plan subject to the following requirements: 1. The maximum gross floor area for all retail and service commercial uses shall not exceed 34,142 square metres. 2. Office uses shall be limited, and shall be secondary to the primary function of the lands to serve the daily and weekly shopping needs of residents in the surrounding neighbourhoods. 3. The City may require the submission of studies to demonstrate that an increase in gross floor area can be appropriately accommodated on the site. Required studies may include, but are not limited to, a Servicing Report and a Transportation Impact Study. In this regard, the Zoning By-law may establish a holding provision on the lands for development in excess of 45,058 square metres of gross floor area, to implement this provision. d) <i>Development</i> shall be consistent with the urban design guidelines approved for the site and Policies B.6.7.8.14 e) and f).	

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e) Prior to development the proponent shall complete urban design guidelines for the development of the site, to the satisfaction of the City. f) Urban design guidelines shall be in accordance with the Design Principles and Policies in Policies B.6.7.18.4 g) and h). In the event that conditions and/or restrictions arise as a result of the Record of Site Condition, specific design solutions shall be incorporated in consultation with the City through the Site Plan approvals process. ge) The following Design Principles shall apply: ... hf) The lands shall be developed in accordance with the following urban design policies: ... iv) Vehicular Access 1. The number and location of vehicular access points shall be limited so as to minimize disruption to traffic flow and to minimize the impact on local streets. i) For the lands known municipally as 510 Centennial Parkway North, designated District Commercial, shown as Site Specific Policy Area D-1 on Map B.6.7-4 Centennial Neighbourhood Secondary Plan Area and Site Specific Policy Area Map, the following policies shall also apply: i) That in addition to Policy B.6.7.18.4 b) i) of Volume 2, the use of a warehouse, including a maximum of one mini storage multi-storey facility shall also be permitted; ii) That notwithstanding Policy B.6.7.18.4 d) i) of Volume 2, the maximum gross floor area for all development shall not exceed 45,058 square metres. The gross floor area for a mini storage facility shall be excluded from the maximum total gross floor area; and,	

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iii) That notwithstanding Policy E.4.7.3 c) of Volume 1, a single use over 10,000 square metres in gross floor area shall be prohibited, except for one multi-storey warehouse (mini storage facility), which shall not exceed a maximum total gross floor area of 12,900 square metres, shall also be permitted. (OPA 176)	

Appendix C

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to the Urban Hamilton Official Plan

Lands to be redesignated from “General Open Space” to “Mixed Use – Medium Density”

E

Lands to be identified as part of

Area Specific Policy – Area E

(1510 Main Street West, Hamilton)

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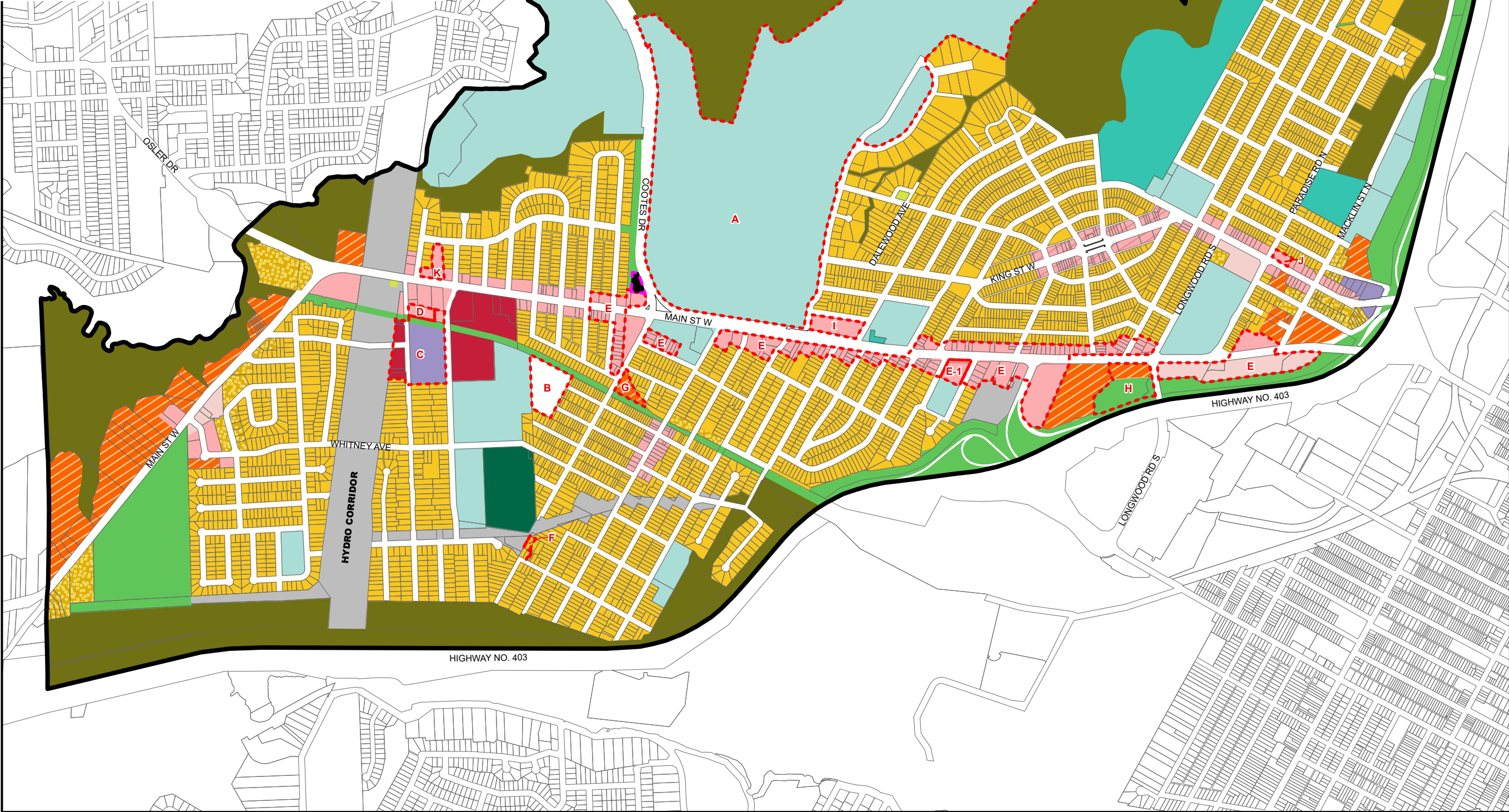
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Residential Designations

Low Density Residential 2

Low Density Residential 3c

High Density Residential 1

Commercial and Mixed Use Designations

Local Commercial

Mixed Use - Medium Density

Mixed Use - Medium Density - Pedestrian Focus

District Commercial

Parks and Open Space Designations

Parkette

Neighbourhood Park

Community Park

General Open Space

Natural Open Space

Other Designations

Institutional

Employment Area - Industrial Lands

Utility

Other Features

Area or Site Specific Policy

Secondary Plan Boundary

Council Adopted: July 9, 2009

Ministerial Approval: March 16, 2011

Effective Date: August 16, 2013

Urban Hamilton Official Plan

Ainslie Wood Westdale

Secondary Plan

Land Use Plan Map

Map B.6.2-1

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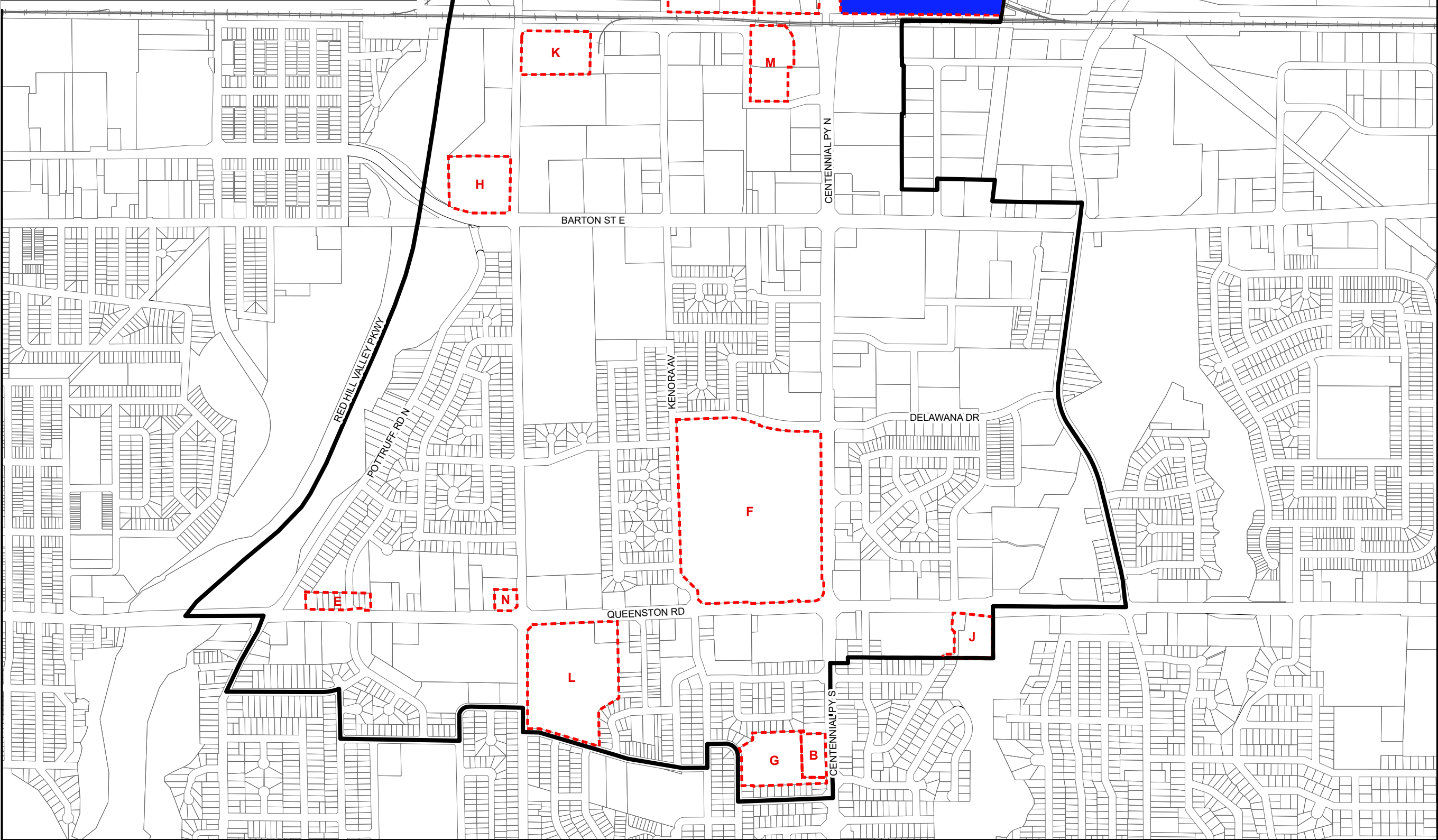
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Remove Site Specific Policy - Area
D-1 identification

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- Area or Site Specific Policy
- Railways
- Secondary Plan Boundary

**Urban Hamilton Official Plan
Centennial Neighbourhoods
Secondary Plan**

Area and Site Specific Policy Area
Map B.6.7-4

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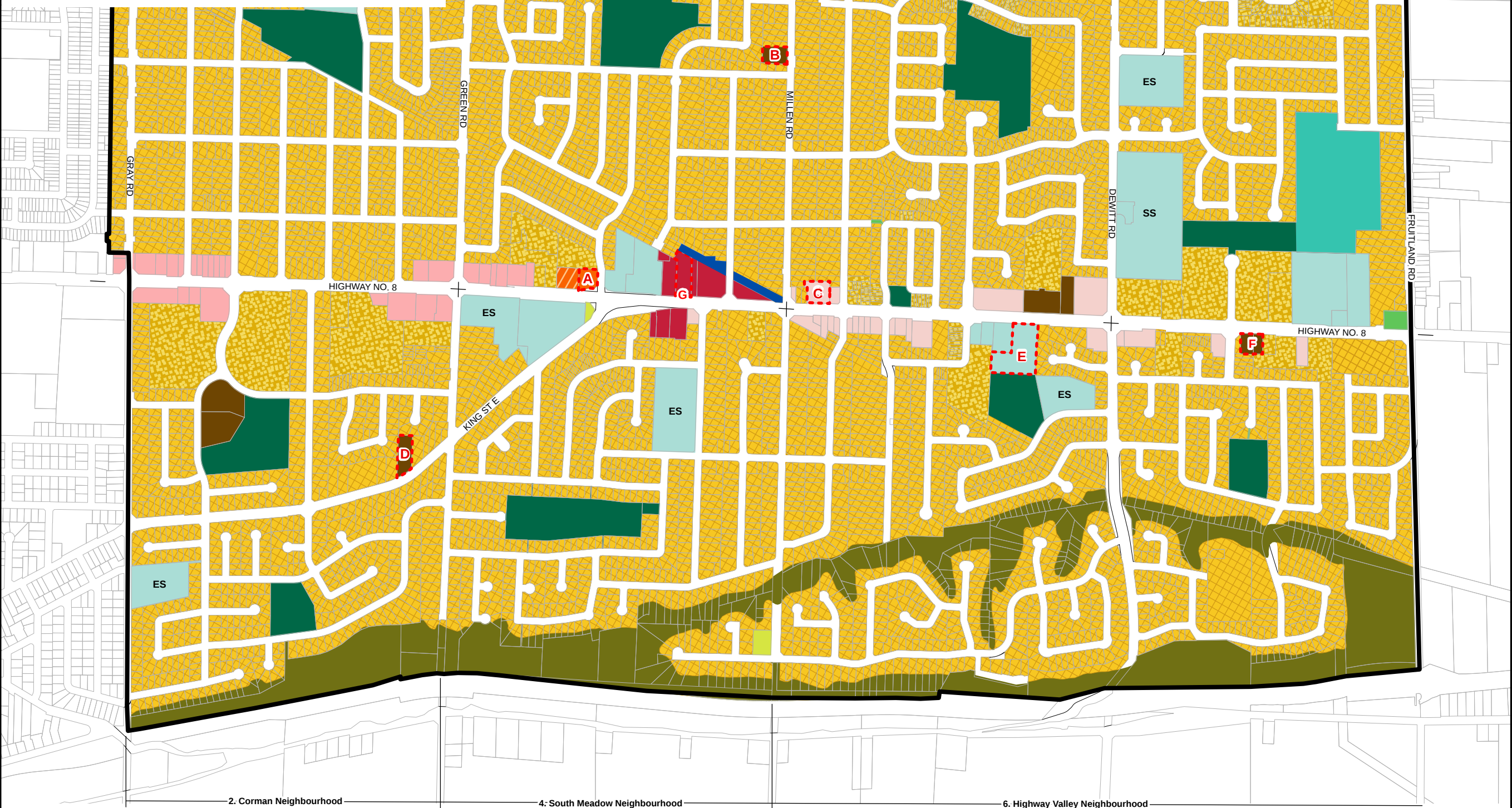
Lands to be redesignated from “Low
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(367, 369, & 385 Highway No. 8, Stoney Creek)

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Residential Designations

Low Density Residential 2b

Low Density Residential 2c

Medium Density Residential 3

High Density Residential 1

Commercial and Mixed Use Designations

Local Commercial

Mixed Use - Medium Density

District Commercial

Parks and Open Space Designations

Parkette

Neighbourhood Park

Community Park

General Open Space

Natural Open Space

Other Designations

Institutional

ES

Elementary School

SS

Secondary School

Other Features

Area or Site Specific Policy

Secondary Plan Boundary

Council Adopted: July 9, 2009

Ministerial Approval: March 16, 2011

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Western Development Area

Secondary Plan

Land Use Plan Map

Map B.7.1-1

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Lands to be indentified as part of
Area Specific Policy UH-6

(11 Arthur Avenue North, Hamilton)

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UH-6

Urban Hamilton Official Plan
Volume 3: Map H-9
Area Specific Policies

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SEE MAP H-10

Appendix G APPROVED Amendment No. 249 to the Urban Hamilton Official Plan		
Lands to be identified as part of Area Specific Policy UH-6 (17, 19, 21 Crosthwaite Avenue North, Hamilton)		
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 UH-6

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Urban Hamilton Official Plan Volume 3: Map H-11 Area Specific Policies	
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