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Subject: FORMAL PUBLIC INPUT

October 2023 'Final' Brampton Plan

1857 Queen Street West

Rotary Club of Brampton Glen Community Centre

Gagnon Walker Domes Ltd. (GWD) acts as Planning Consultant to Rotary Club of Brampton Glen Community Centre, the Registered Owners of 1857 Queen Street West, in the City of Brampton. We write to express our Client's comments and observations regarding the Final version of Brampton Plan as it applies to the subject site.

As noted in our June 3, 2022 public input submission an Amendment Application for the subject site was filed on May 17, 2021 and deemed 'Complete' on June 30, 2021 (City File: OZS-2021-0018). The Application establishes land use permissions to facilitate the future re-development of the property for residential purposes including two (2) apartment buildings having heights of 12 and 14-storeys with ground floor commercial. A Statutory Public Meeting was held on September 13, 2021 and a 'positive' Staff Report recommending approval of the Application was considered by the Planning & Development Committee on June 22, 2022 and again on February 13, 2023.

The following is an overview of the designations and overlays that apply to the subject site within Brampton Plan:

Schedule 1A - City Structure

- 'Community Areas'
- 'Primary Urban Boulevards' (Queen Street West)



Schedule 2 – Designations

- 'Neighbourhoods'
- 'Natural Heritage System'

Schedule 3B - Transit Network

'Higher Order Transit (BRT or LRT)' (Queen Street West)

<u>Schedule 5 – Provincial Plans & Policy Areas</u>

'Built-Up Area'

<u>Schedule 6A – Natural Heritage System</u>

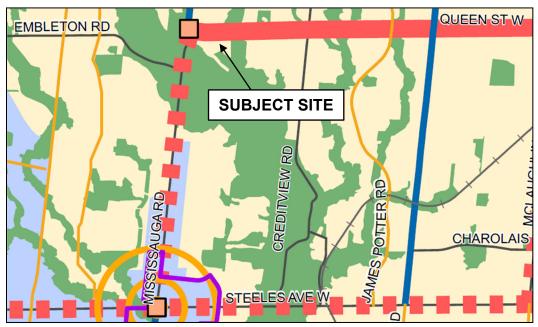
'Natural Heritage System'

Schedule 6B – Natural Heritage Features

- 'Valleyland and Watercourse Corridor'
- 'Woodland'
- 'Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest Life Science'

Chapter 2, 2.2.2 Framework for Building Typologies; Page 2-37

According to Table 5 lands designated Neighbourhoods on Schedule 2 will comprise of a Low-Rise building typology. Additional permissions include Low-Rise Plus within 400-800 metres of a Support Corridor shown on Schedule 3B. Lands with frontage along Primary Urban Boulevards on Schedule 1A will comprise of Low-Rise Plus and Mid-Rise building typology. High-Rise buildings may be permitted subject to additional planning studies and other applicable policies of Brampton Plan, and where located within a Major Transit Station Area (MTSA).



Schedule 1A City Structure (October 2023)

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GWD supports the designation and overlay. In our opinion, the redevelopment proposal for the subject site conforms to the intent and purpose, as well as the policies, goals and objectives of Brampton Plan.

Chapter 2, 2.2.4 Boulevards and MTSAs; Page 2-47

Pages 2-47 and 2-48 of the September 2023 version of Brampton Plan listed each of the Primary and Secondary Urban Boulevards illustrated on Schedule 1. Our office submitted comment on October 2, 2023 recommending that their descriptions be modified to reflect the Schedule. The Final version of Brampton Plan no longer lists Boulevards but rather advises that there are three (3) Primary Urban Boulevards and eight (8) Secondary Urban Boulevards.

Based on our review of the Schedule 1 (now titled Schedule 1A) we have identified three (3) Primary Urban Boulevards and ten (10) Secondary Urban Boulevards:

- Queen Street East, east of Bramalea Road
- Bramalea Road, between Queen Street East and Steeles Avenue East
- Dixie Road, between Queen Street East and Steeles Avenue East
- McLaughlin Road South, between Queen Street West and Steeles Avenue West
- Kennedy Road South, south of Queen Street East
- Hurontario/Main Street, north of Downtown
- Steeles Avenue West, west of McLaughlin Road South
- Steeles Avenue East, between Bramalea Road and Torbram Road
- Heritage Heights Boulevard
- Mississauga Road, south of Queen Street West

The policy section should be updated prior to final adoption of Brampton Plan.

Chapter 2, 2.2.4.3 Permitted Uses, Primary & Secondary Urban Boulevards; Page 2-50

2.2.4.3 The following policies apply to Primary and Secondary Urban Boulevards shown on Schedule 1A:

- d. Mixed-use buildings will be encouraged to front onto Primary Urban Boulevards. New single use buildings are discouraged.
- f. Commercial and personal service uses in a mixed-use building will be encouraged to be located at grade and fronting a public street.

Notwithstanding that the Rotary redevelopment proposal includes ground floor commercial space fronting onto Queen Street West, the flexibility provided in the above policies is appreciated. Single use buildings while discouraged along Primary Urban Boulevards may be appropriate based on area contexts and proximity to neighbouring commercial sites.



Closing Remarks

The Final version of Brampton Plan was released on Monday, October 16, 2023. While our office has been actively monitoring the Brampton Plan process and previously provided public input into this exercise, one (1) week is inadequate given the magnitude and broadness of the scope of the planning exercise as it pertains not only our Client, but also all other landowners and other stakeholders in the City of Brampton.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public input. While our Client wishes to express its general support they do have reservations and may provide further comment as necessary prior to adoption and approval by the Region of Peel.

Marc De Nardis, B.U.R.PI., M.C.I.P., R.P.P.

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