

The Corporation of the Township of Wilmot 60 Snyd

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Dear Sir/Madam:

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RE: Official Plan Amendment No. 9 (Conformity Review) Official Plan Amendment No. 10 (Settlement Boundary Rationalization Review)

The Township has initiated two amendments to the Township of Wilmot Official Plan.

Proposed Official Plan Amendment No. 9 (OPA 9) applies to all lands within the Township of Wilmot and is intended to bring the Township of Wilmot Official Plan into conformity with the new Region of Waterloo Official Plan and Provincial policy.

Proposed Official Plan Amendment No. 10 (OPA 10) is a Countryside Line and Settlement Boundary Rationalization Review and applies to Rural Settlement Areas and Township Urban Areas. The intent of OPA 10 is to review and clearly define existing settlement boundaries and the countryside line to identify future growth limits in accordance with the new Regional Official Plan. No net gain in developable land within the Settlements or Countryside Line is permitted as a result of this exercise.

Staff report DS 2017-10 provides a detailed review of both proposed amendments. Due to the size of the document it is available for review and/or download from the Township of Wilmot website at <u>www.wilmot.ca/opupdate</u>. A printed copy of the report, including all maps, is also available for review during regular business hours at the Development Services Department, 60 Snyder's Road West, Baden, ON.

A **Public Open House** to allow for public review of both proposed amendments will be held on Monday October 16, 2017 in the Wilmot Community Room, Lower Level, 60 Snyder's Road West, Baden from 2pm to 8pm. Township staff will be available to answer questions and provide additional information.

A **Public Meeting** to consider the amendments will be held on Monday October 23, 2017 in the Council Chambers, 60 Snyder's Road West, Baden at 7:00 p.m. Written comments to the Township of Wilmot on these proposed amendments received prior to October 13, 2017 will be included in a summary report at the Public Meeting on October 23, 2017. Comments received after that date, but prior to Council making a decision, will also be considered. Be advised that comments received become part of the public record and may be posted on the Township's official website. Additional information can be obtained online at www.wilmot.ca/opupdate or by contacting the Development Services Department during regular business hours at 519-634-8444.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Wilmot before the proposed Official Plan Amendments are adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Region of Waterloo on the proposed Official Plan Amendments to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Wilmot before the proposed Official Plan Amendments are adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

If you wish to be notified of the decision to adopt the proposed official plan amendments, or of the refusal of a request to amend the Official Plan, additional Township public meetings or Township staff reports regarding this process you must make a written request to the Development Services Department, 60 Snyder's Road West, Baden, ON N3A1A1 or by email to <u>planning@wilmot.ca</u>.

If you wish to be notified of the approval of the proposed official plan amendments, you must make a written request to the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, ON N2G 4J3.

For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the Development Services Department, Township of Wilmot, 60 Snyder's Road West, Baden, ON N3A1A1 519-634-8444 or by email at <u>planning@wilmot.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

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Andrew Martin, MCIP RPP Manager of Planning / EDO