October 07, 2020 - Special Meeting of Council-Official plan

Mayor Meed Ward, Councilors, Galbraith, Kearns, Nisan, Stolte, Sharman, and Bentivegna

As I wrote on December 5, 2019, the Official Plan, (OP) process is like watching a bad movie that will not end. A bad movie of our own making.

Here we are some ten months later and likely over a million taxpayer dollars poorer, (\$600,000 in consultants alone) and once again at the same point we were in April 2018 when the previous council adopted a new OP.

Mayor Meed Ward tells us this is plan is better, Councilor Kearns tells us this helps deliver the residents vision, and Councilor Nissan tells us this OP is 100% defensible.

So, as you prepare to ratify committee's decision to approve and adopt this new OP, consider if the Mayor and Councilor's are right.

Consider this carefully, cast your votes and hold those thoughts. If the correspondence submitted to committee is any gauge, your decisions will be tested and called to account by residents, landowners, and developers.

This is your OP, developed and approved under your watch at the expense of Burlington taxpayers. Your decision, ultimately your responsibility. Full stop.

Regards

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