



SUBJECT: Burlington Official Plan, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise – workplan update 3

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Community Planning Department

Report Number: PL-50-24

Wards Affected: All

Date to Committee: July 8, 2024

Date to Council: July 16, 2024

Recommendation:

Direct the Director of Community Planning to implement the Bronte Creek Meadows Area-Specific Planning Project Engagement Plan – Draft, attached as Appendix C to community planning department report PL-50-24, and continue to add detail and refinements to the planning for Burlington’s Bronte Creek Meadows: Background and Draft Visioning, attached as Appendix D to community planning department report PL-50-24, as work continues with the owner and their consultants.

PURPOSE:

Reports provide quarterly updates on the Burlington Official Plan, 2020 (BOP, 2020) Targeted Realignment Exercise project. This report is the third of the series. These quarterly reports provide updates related to work completed over the previous quarter and will rely on the substance of the previous reports.

Although typically, elements of the BOP, 2020, Targeted Realignment Exercise that require Council consideration of recommendations and/or discussion will be brought forward through additional reports, this report also presents the background and vision starting point of the Bronte Creek Meadows (BCM) work as well as the proposed engagement plan, both for comment by the public, the landowner and Council.

Vision to Focus Alignment:

- Designing and delivering complete communities
- Providing the best services and experiences

- Protecting and improving the natural environment and taking action on climate change
 - Driving organizational performance
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Background and Discussion:

1.0 Burlington Official Plan, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Project

The City is currently undertaking the Burlington Official Plan, 2020, Targeted Realignment Exercise as part of an overall strategy to align the policies of Burlington's Official Plan, 2020 (BOP, 2020) with the recent and ongoing changes to the Provincial and Regional policy frameworks that have taken place since the Regional approval of the BOP, 2020 in November 2020. This work will be supported by detailed population and employment growth analysis work that will be undertaken as part of this exercise, and by a flexible and responsive engagement approach identified in [Appendix B](#) of [Staff Report PL-01-24](#) to ensure public involvement.

Through Council approval of [Report PL-45-23 – Burlington Official Plan, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise – initial workplan](#) on July 11, 2023, Staff were directed to initiate the workplan for the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise. The second quarterly workplan update report: [PL-09-24: Burlington Official Plan, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise – Workplan Update 2](#) was presented to CPRM committee on April 8, 2024.

The BOP, 2020, Targeted Realignment Exercise Workplan was developed to be flexible, and responsive to change as the Provincial and Regional policy framework evolves and as the OLT appeal process proceeds. The workplan is intended to be a living document that is subject to change and will be revisited as required. There are six key areas of the BOP, 2020, Targeted Realignment Workplan which are detailed in the Table in Section 4.0 of this report. For a detailed outline of the workplan, please refer to [Report PL-45-23 – Burlington Official Plan, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise – Initial Workplan](#).

This report will provide updates on:

- The OLT Appeals Process and Conformity Exercise
- Recent and upcoming changes to planning legislation, regulation and policy since April 2024
- BOP 2020, Targeted Realignment Exercise Workplan status and updates
- Next steps

2.0 OLT Appeals process and Conformity Exercise Update

Work continues with appellants to identify areas where no modifications, or only minor modifications to the BOP, 2020 would be required to bring policies into effect.

On April 2, 2024, the [OLT issued a Decision](#) granting Partial Approval for a number of policies of the Burlington Official Plan, 2020 (BOP, 2020). Among others, the recently approved policies include Residential Neighbourhood Areas, Uptown Urban Centre, and several site-specific policies. Staff are now preparing an annotated Office Consolidation which is reflective of the April 2, 2024, OLT Decision, as well as any settlements for case no. OLT-22-002219 that were approved by the OLT as of June 2024.

The City also participated in a Tribunal-led Mediation Assessment on April 2, 2024, for the remainder of the appealed policies of the BOP, 2020. The Tribunal confirmed that case no. OLT-22-002219 is appropriate for mediation and directed the City to report back with a proposed mediation plan. However, with the release of Bill 185 (Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024) and the revised proposed Provincial Planning Statement, mediation planning was paused to allow time for the City to assess the potential impacts of these significant changes to the Provincial policy framework.

As of the writing of this report, Bill 185 has received Royal Assent. However, the final details and timing of the proposed Provincial Policy Statement remain unknown. As more details become available, planning staff and legal counsel will work with the OLT to determine the next steps for advancing the remaining appealed portions of the BOP, 2020. In the meantime, staff continue to work with appellants to identify areas where no modifications, or only minor modifications to the BOP, 2020 would be required to bring policies into effect.

3.0 Recent and Upcoming Changes to Planning Legislation, Regulation and Policy

The [initial work plan report](#) and subsequent Update reports listed below, outlined the recent and ongoing changes to legislation, regulation and policy. For details, please refer to:

- June 27, 2023: [PL-45-23 Initial Work Plan Report](#)
- January 8, 2024: [PL-01-24 Work Plan Update 1](#)
- April 8, 2024: [PL-09-24 Work Plan Update 2](#)

The section below provides new details related to proposed and ongoing Provincial and Regional policy changes that have taken place since April 2024.

Bill 162, Get It Done Act, 2024

[Bill 162, Get It Done Act, 2024](#) is an omnibus bill which proposes amending a number of existing statutes, including the Official Plan Adjustments Act, 2023. Staff provided comments to the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) in advance of the commenting deadline. Please refer to Staff Report [PL-27-24](#) and the [Council Information Package](#) published on March 15, 2024 for the comments on Bill 162, Get It Done Act, provided by Staff. The Bill received Royal Assent on May 16, 2024. The amendments through Bill 162 reinstate almost all of the Minister's modifications to ROPA 49 in response to the municipal feedback that was provided. The Schedule 3 – Official Plan Adjustments Acts, 2023 to Bill 162, Get It Done Act, 2024, which outlines the Minister's modifications are now retroactively in effect from December 6, 2023.

Regional Staff are in the process of preparing a final Office Consolidation of the Regional Official Plan to reflect the recent changes through Bill 162. This consolidation will also provide explanatory notes to acknowledge the shift in the Region's role to a "upper-tier without planning responsibility" and that the Regional Official Plan is now deemed to constitute an official plan of the local municipalities of Halton Region and the local municipalities are responsible for all aspects of implementation of the Regional Official Plan until such a time that it is revoked and/or amended.

Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build more Homes Act, 2024 and Proposed Provincial Planning Statement, 2024

[Bill 185, Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024](#) was introduced in the legislature on April 10, 2024. This omnibus Bill proposed a wide range of amendments to 15 Acts, including the *Planning Act*, *Municipal Act* and *Development Charges Act*. At the same time as the Province introduced Bill 185, the Province also introduced the [proposed Provincial Planning Statement, 2024](#) as a new provincial planning policy instrument.

Staff [Report PL-42-24](#) was presented to Committee of the Whole on May 13, 2024 and provided an overview of the legislative changes proposed through the Bill. Staff provided comments through the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) in advance of the respective deadlines (May 10 and May 12, 2024). The Bill received Royal Assent on June 6, 2024.

Notably, the Bill identified July 1, 2024, as the date after which Halton Region will become an Upper-Tier Municipality without Planning Responsibility. The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing will subsequently become the approval authority for Official Plan Amendments, unless otherwise exempted.

In relation to the July 1, 2024 removal of planning authority from the Region of Halton, the Province has further proposed a regulatory amendment to O.Reg. 525/97 through [ORR Posting 24-MMAH013](#). This amendment would exempt certain municipalities,

including Burlington, from the requirement to obtain the Minister's approval for most Official Plan Amendments. The ORR proposes that Minister approval may only be required for new Official Plans, official plan amendments adopted in accordance with Section 26 of the *Planning Act* and amendments implementing a Protected Major Transit Station Area (PMTSA). The Minister would also retain the authority under the *Planning Act* to intervene where necessary in order to ensure proposed official plan amendments are in accordance with Provincial policy. The City submitted comments through the ORR posting prior to the June 26, 2024, commenting deadline. Please refer to the Council Information Package published on June 28th, 2024 for the comments on the proposed changes to O.Reg 525/97 provided by Staff.

4.0 BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Workplan Status and Updates

Staff are continuing to move forward with the proposed BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise workplan. All but one of the items of the workplan are now underway. Uncertainties remain with respect to the timing of the proposed new PPS and the impacts of the recent and ongoing changes to provincial policy. Staff do note that one key unknown has been answered and that with the passing of July 1, 2024, the City has now assumed the Regional Official Plan and new planning responsibilities.

As identified [in Staff Report PL-47-24 2024 Integrated Halton Planning System Memorandum of Understanding](#), presented to Committee of the Whole on June 10, 2024, an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been developed to address the changes in roles and responsibilities resulting from Bill 185 Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024. For the past year, the Region has been working with its local municipalities and conservation authorities on a transition plan that provides clarity on the planning approval process while developing a MOU. The MOU is intended to ensure a seamless transition of service delivery that clearly delineates the areas of responsibility between Halton Region, the Local Municipalities and the Conservation Authorities.

Halton Region and Conservation Halton are collaborating with City staff for training and support with these new planning responsibilities. This is expected to continue until, at the latest, the end of 2024 by which time City staff anticipate having its planning application fee review completed and resources in place for these new planning responsibilities. In the interim, Community Planning has a roster of consultants that can be called upon to assist during this period of transition.

The table below, outlines the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Workplan status and additional information and detail is provided on each of the current projects underway.

Item	Description	Status
A.	Local Growth Management Update – Growth Expectations to 2051 (staff and consultant led)	<p>Underway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Population and Employment Growth Analysis Study: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd., has been retained as the project consultant team and has commenced work. - The Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options project work is underway. Staff ran the Increasing Housing Options Survey 1 to engage with the public and are targeting to bring the draft Official Plan policies to the Committee of the Whole in September, 2024. - Staff Report PL-29-24 Targeted realignment future growth areas – 1200 King Road, Bronte Creek Meadows and Bridgeview, went forward to the April 8, 2024, meeting of the Committee of the Whole. This report deals with alignment of items A, B and F.
B.	Urban Structure and Growth Framework Update (Staff led)	<p>Underway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please see Staff Report PL-29-24 PL-29-24 Targeted realignment future growth areas – 1200 King Road, Bronte Creek Meadows and Bridgeview. This report deals with alignment of items A, B and F.
C.	Policy Analysis and Recommendations: Bill 23, Proposed PPS; Regional Official Plan (Staff led)	<p>Underway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As of July 1, 2024, Halton Region no longer has certain responsibilities for planning under the <i>Planning Act</i>, as outlined in Halton Region report LPS34-23. As a result, the Regional Official Plan (ROP) is now deemed to constitute an official plan of the local municipality and the local municipality is responsible for all aspects of implementation of the ROP until such a time that it is revoked and/or amended. - Halton Region continues to collaborate with City Staff for training and support through this transition. - Timing of the new Provincial Planning Statement remains unclear. Staff provided comments through the ERO Posting (Report PL-42-24)

D.	Local Directions: Draft ROPA 50 package Transition to Local Municipalities (Staff led)	<p>Pending:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As of July 1, 2024, Halton Region no longer has certain responsibilities for planning under the <i>Planning Act</i>, as outlined in Halton Region report LPS34-23. As a result, the Regional Official Plan (ROP) is now deemed to constitute an official plan of the local municipality and the local municipality is responsible for all aspects of implementation of the ROP until such a time that it is revoked and/or amended. - Halton Region continues to collaborate with City Staff for training and support through this transition. - A Policy Directions Report prepared by Halton Region provides direction for policy changes to the Halton Regional Official Plan related to Climate Change, the Rural and Agricultural System, the Natural Heritage System, Indigenous Peoples, the North Aldershot Planning Area, and General Plan Implementation. Timing for City initiation for the remainder of this work (i.e. implementing Official Plan Amendment) is contingent on the release of the final Provincial Planning Statement.
E.	Other: Additional Residential Units (Staff led)	<p>Complete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Official Plan Amendment No. 1
F.	Future: 1200 King Road; Bronte Creek Meadows; Bridgeview	<p>Underway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PL-29-24 Targeted realignment future growth areas – 1200 King Road, Bronte Creek Meadows and Bridgeview outlined alignment of items A, B and F, and the overall work plan for the Bronte Creek Meadows Area Specific Plan (ASP) process. - For additional details please see Item F on page 9 of this report in addition to the two supporting documents related to the Bronte Creek Meadows Area Specific Plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Appendix C: Bronte Creek Meadows Area-Specific Planning Project Engagement Plan – Draft

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A) Local Growth Management Update – Growth Expectations to 2051 (staff and consultant led)

Population and Employment Growth Analysis Study

The purpose of the Population and Employment Growth Analysis Study is to provide a single, reliable, up-to-date source of population and employment growth analysis to 2051 and beyond that will assist the City with undertaking its growth-related work and in its new role of managing growth. The City has retained Watson & Associates Economists Ltd, as the project consulting team and the project work has been initiated. Work on the Population and Employment Growth Analysis Study will continue over the summer, and Staff are intending to bring a report forward to Committee of the Whole in September that will detail the Study's initial findings. Staff are targeting Q4, 2024 to bring forward the final report on the Population and Employment Growth Analysis Study.

Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options Project

The Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options project advances [the motion](#) unanimously approved by Council at the October 17, 2023, Council Meeting, that declared City Council's intention to allow four residential units per lot as-of-right, and which directed staff to engage with the community to implement four units as-of-right and other actions of the Housing Strategy. This motion supports the objectives of the City's Housing Strategy and supported the City's successful Housing Accelerator Fund application. The Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options project Milestones are attached as Appendix A and work on this project is now underway. Staff have begun engaging with the public through the Increasing Housing Options Survey 1 as detailed in the Engagement Matters Section of this Report. Staff intend to bring forward a draft of the Official Plan Amendment to the September Committee of the Whole as a part of broader public engagement on the draft OPA over the fall.

D) Local Directions: Draft ROPA 50 package Transition to Local Municipalities

As of July 1, 2024, Halton Region no longer has certain responsibilities for planning under the *Planning Act*, as outlined in Halton Region report [LPS34-23](#). As a result, the Regional Official Plan (ROP) is now deemed to constitute an official plan of the local municipality and the local municipality is responsible for all aspects of implementation of the ROP until such a time that it is revoked and/or amended.

Halton Region continues to collaborate with City Staff for training and support through this transition. Staff Report [PL-47-24](#) advised Council of the [Memorandum of](#)

[Understanding \(MOU\) for an Integrated Halton Planning System in Halton Region](#). The MOU has been developed to address the changes in roles and responsibilities resulting from this shift in planning authority and ensure a seamless transition in service delivery as a result of the changing planning framework. Halton Region and Conservation Halton are collaborating with City staff for training and support with these new planning responsibilities. This is expected to continue until, at the latest, end of 2024 by which time City staff anticipate having its planning application fee review completed and resources in place for these new planning responsibilities. In the interim, Community Planning has a roster of consultants that can be called upon to assist during this period of transition.

A Policy Directions Report prepared by Halton Region provides direction for policy changes to the Halton Regional Official Plan related to Climate Change, the Rural and Agricultural System, the Natural Heritage System, Indigenous Peoples, the North Aldershot Planning Area and General Plan Implementation. These policy changes were intended to ensure conformity to Provincial Plans and the Provincial Policy Statement while addressing the feedback received from the community.

As a result of the legislative changes being implemented through Bill 185, the City will be taking over the remainder of the work that was to be completed through ROPA 50 in terms of implementing these Policy Directions. However, given the uncertainty of the timing of the forthcoming Provincial Planning Statement (and supporting methodology and guidance materials), timing for the development of this work plan remains uncertain. Once the final Provincial Policy Statement has been released, staff will conduct a conformity analysis to determine any areas of non-conformity or conflict that need to be addressed, undertake initial revisions to the Policy Directions as needed, and then develop an engagement plan to consult with the Burlington community through a statutory Official Plan Amendment process.

F) Future: 1200 King Road; Bronte Creek Meadows; Bridgeview

Since Council's consideration of report [PL-29-24 Targeted realignment future growth areas – 1200 King Road, Bronte Creek Meadows and Bridgeview](#) work has moved forward on the City's Bronte Creek Meadows Area-Specific Plan.

While initial detailed inputs have been received, review and discussions continue to ensure that the City has sufficient information to move ahead with planning for this key area. The City continues to work collaboratively with the property owner and their planning consultants in order to coordinate the submission of the full range of technical studies to support the development of the City's Area-Specific Plan.

While the scoping of details and requirements of several key technical studies continue, staff wished to provide Committee and Council the opportunity to provide feedback on two draft documents:

Appendix C: Bronte Creek Meadows Area-Specific Planning Project Engagement Plan – Draft

Appendix D: Planning for Burlington’s Bronte Creek Meadows: Background and Draft Visioning

Staff acknowledge that through continued efforts with the owners, planning and other technical consultants, as well as other agencies, additional details may possibly be included within the Background and Draft Visioning report. This is an important touch point to ensure Council is comfortable with the general vision and is supportive of the engagement approach before community engagement is launched. While both documents may change as more details become available, staff believe this provides an excellent basis for Council consideration of the approach to introduce this significant change to the City’s Urban Structure to the community and to seek input to shape its ultimate development.

As set out in the targeted timeline presented in April as [Appendix A to PL-29-24](#), in the coming weeks a collective touch point will be scheduled to review lessons learned, potential impacts to downstream stages and associated timing. Any adjustments will be shared on the City’s get involved Burlington page for the Burlington Official Plan, 2020, Targeted Realignment Exercise.

5.0 Next Steps July 2024 to December 2024

Staff plan to deliver the following in advance of the next update report:

- Continue the Population and Employment Growth Analysis Study work and provide an initial Report to Committee of the Whole in September and final report by the end of 2024;
- Draft Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options;
- Continue to collaborate with Halton Region on the transition of planning authority and the ROP as it relates to Burlington; and
- Advance recommendations and actions as set out in Staff Report PL-29-24: BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment: Approach for Growth Expectations, Urban Structure and Growth Framework, and initiate the engagement plan for the Bronte Creek Meadows Area Specific Plan.

Given the wide range of connection points planned for the remainder of the year staff proposed to postpone the preparation of update Report #4 until Q1, 2025.

6.0 Project Connections

Housing Strategy

The Policy and Community team will be working closely with the new Manager of Housing Strategy. The relationships among the Targeted Realignment, Housing

Strategy and Housing Accelerator Fund Action plan will continue to be developed and refined over the coming months.

New Zoning By-law Project

The New Zoning By-law Project (NZBP) is focused on comprehensively updating the City's Zoning By-law to implement the policies of the BOP, 2020. Each phase of the project will be focused on preparing one or more sections of the new Zoning By-law, with Phase 1 focusing on Residential Zones. The Policy and Community team will continue to work closely with the NZBP Team to ensure alignment with the timing of the NZBP phases and timing of the Targeted Realignment Exercise and OLT appeals process. The BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Team and NZBP Team will be bringing forward quarterly updates that correspond and together will provide a comprehensive update on the status of projects. To that end, the NZBP Team will be presenting Staff Report PL-45-24: New Zoning By-law Project Update No. 5 – Phase 1: Residential Zones – Discussion Paper to Committee of the Whole on July 8.

Major Transit Station Area (MTSA) - Area Specific Plans Project and Community Planning Permit By-law

At the June 18, 2024 Council meeting, City Council adopted Major Transit Station Area Official Plan Amendment (OPA) No. 2 provided in the revised [Appendix A](#) of [staff's memo](#) dated June 18, 2024 to City Council regarding report PL-03-24, and approved in principle the Community Planning Permit (CPP) By-law provided in [Appendix B](#) of staff report [PL-03-24](#). City Council also directed staff to make the necessary refinements to the CPP By-law, including any changes to reflect any modifications as a result of Ministerial approval of OPA No. 2. Since then, staff have forwarded the adopted OPA to the Province for review and approval. As directed by Council, staff are also making refinements to the CPP By-law. A scope of the nature of refinements to be made to the CPP By-law is outlined in [staff's memo](#) dated June 18, 2024 to City Council.

Strategy/process/risk

Changing Parameters

There are still a significant number of variables and inputs that are changing and uncertain at this time. Planning Staff will continue to work with Legal to try to obtain approval of as much of the BOP, 2020 as possible. The workplan will continue to be a living document revisited, where required, and may be informed by future changes that are not yet known.

Revisions and opportunities for reprioritization will be identified by staff and communicated to Council in a timely manner. Staff remain committed to quarterly update reports, but request a pause until Q1, 2025 given the wide range of work

expected to be delivered to Council between now and then related to the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise.

Options Considered

Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options

Staff considered different options for the Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options, specifically in regard to timing and approach. Initially, Staff planned to bring forward the Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options concurrently with Phase 1 of the NZBP – Residential Zones regulations, in order to advance the implementation of four units as-of-right and other actions of the Housing Strategy through both the Official Plan and Zoning By-law.

Staff have developed an approach designed to remain flexible in order to support meeting Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) commitments and deadlines. Staff are now planning to bring the Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options forward for the Statutory Public Meeting in late 2024 and final recommendation report in Q1, 2025, in advance of Phase 1 of the NZBP – Residential Zones final recommendation report. The OPA to Increase Housing Options will, if approved, amend the BOP, 2020 in order to put in place policies that will provide a policy framework to inform Phase 1 of the New Zoning By-law. The key engagement milestones proposed to take place in the fall will continue to be undertaken collaboratively between the two projects.

Financial Matters:

Not applicable.

Total Financial Impact

Not applicable.

Source of Funding

Not applicable.

Other Resource Impacts

Identify any indirect costs e.g. staffing requirements. If none type “not applicable”.

Climate Implications:

Not applicable.

Engagement Matters:

The Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options project is the first item of the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Workplan to meet the requirements set out in the Engagement Approach; requiring an engagement plan.

The Engagement Plan, attached as Appendix B to this report, has been prepared to provide a roadmap of the engagement activities that will take place throughout the project and was informed by consultation with the Deputy Mayor of Engagement and Partnerships. This Engagement Plan highlights the points in the process where engagement will take place, who will be engaged and the level of engagement to be undertaken. The Engagement Plan includes a decision statement, a summary of interested and affected parties as well as engagement objectives. It outlines the engagement milestones for each project stage, policies and factors that cannot be influenced, and proposed forms of engagement and communication with the public.

The Engagement Plan is intended to provide a broad overview of the engagement activities that will take place and is subject to change over the course of the project as new information and insights become available.

For the most part, the key engagement milestones are closely aligned with the proposed project timeline for the first phase (residential zones) of the NZBP project, save and except for the early engagement that has already taken place and the timing of the Official Plan Amendment Statutory Public Meeting and Final draft of the OPA recommendation Report, which will precede the implementing Zoning By-law.

To support early engagement efforts, Staff launched the Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options project and posted the Engagement Plan to the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Get Involved project page.

Increasing Housing Options – Survey 1

As a part of the initial engagement on the Official Plan Amendment (OPA) to Increase Housing Options project, Staff launched the Increasing Housing Options – Survey 1 on the project's web page. The survey introduced the project and provided the public with an opportunity to share their housing priorities, interests and concerns. This information will be used, along with other inputs, to inform the early stages of the project. The survey was available on the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Get Involved project page from Monday May 27, 2024, until Friday June 14, 2024. The list below, provides some of the initial findings:

Initial Survey Findings:

- There was a total of 452 responses to the Survey
- There were responses from all age groups (from under 18 to 85+)
- There were responses from all Wards in the city
- Respondents by tenure:
 - o Homeowners: 84%
 - o Tenants: 12.4%
 - o Other housing arrangements (including cooperative and multigenerational housing arrangements): 2.4%
 - o Preferred not to say: 1.1%
- Concerns about increasing housing options in Burlington:
 - o 20.5% percent of respondents did not have any concerns about increasing housing options in Burlington
 - o 8.7% were unsure if they had any concerns about in creasing housing options in Burlington
 - o 70.8% had concerns about increasing housing options in Burlington

Mayor’s Speaker Series: Innovation to Action – May 27, 2024

The OPA to Increase Housing Options project team attended the Mayor’s Speaker Series ‘Innovation to Action’ inaugural event on May 27, 2024. At the event, the project team had a tradeshow style table where the team provided information to public about the OPA to Increase Housing Options project, answered questions and provided the survey questions on boards where members of the public were able to share their thoughts and ideas.

A detailed analysis of the Survey findings and the findings of the Speaker Series Engagement will be presented in a future feedback report that will highlight key findings, key themes and will articulate how the information will be used to inform the Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options. The detailed analysis will also provide a starting point on how staff approach engagement on the Official Plan Amendment in the fall.

Targeted Realignment Future Growth Areas – Bronte Creek Meadows ASP Draft Engagement Plan

The Targeted Realignment Future Growth Areas – Bronte Creek Meadows Area Specific Plan project is the second item of the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise Workplan to meet the requirements set out in the Engagement Approach; requiring an engagement plan.

The Draft Engagement Plan is attached as Appendix C and provides a roadmap of the engagement activities that will take place over the course of the project, highlighting at

which points in the process engagement will take place, who will be engaged and the level of engagement. The plan will also clearly define which aspects of the process the City and public can influence through the discussion.

Conclusion:

This progress update report on the BOP, 2020 Targeted Realignment Exercise presents an overview of work completed thus far, and project deliverables staff are working to complete in 2024. The workplan will continue to evolve in response to inputs from a variety of sources including the BOP, 2020 OLT process and policy changes from the Province, among other inputs.

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Appendices:

- A. Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options Milestones
- B. Official Plan Amendment to Increase Housing Options Engagement Plan
- C. Bronte Creek Meadows Area-Specific Planning Project Engagement Plan – Draft
- D. Planning for Burlington’s Bronte Creek Meadows: Background and Draft Visioning

Report Approval:

All reports are reviewed and/or approved by Department Director, the Chief Financial Officer and the Executive Director of Legal Services & Corporation Counsel.