

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (1) – NOVEMBER 3, 2020

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Communication
CW (1) – November 3, 2020
Item - Presentation #3

DATE: November 3, 2020

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Nick Spensieri, Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development

RE: COMMUNICATION

PETITION BY RESIDENTS OF GALEN CRESCENT TO REMOVE PROPOSED SIDEWALK REATED TO THE NASHVILLE HEIGHTS-MIZUNO PLAN OF SUBDIVISION 19T-16V010, COMMITTEE OF THE

WHOLE NOVEMBER 3, 2020

PRESENTATION 3

Recommendation

That the proposed sidewalk in the Nashville Heights - Mizuno plan of subdivision specifically located on Galen Crescent be constructed as per the approved plan of subdivision and relevant city policies and guidelines.

Background

The purpose of this Communication is to provide the Mayor and members of Council information regarding the sidewalk deletion petition from residents of Galen Crescent in Block 61 and provide the current rationale and guidelines for new sidewalk construction in new subdivision development.

On June 27, 2020 staff received correspondence from residents of Galen Crescent in Block 61 requesting that their petition to remove the sidewalk on their street be received and accepted. Attachments 1 and 2 show the location of the sidewalks to be removed and the community plan showing the full sidewalk network. Residents of Galen crescent have been in contact with several City staff and have provided rationale to remove the sidewalk. The rationale includes past precedent of petitions being submitted, other Crescents in the City without sidewalks, environmental impacts, the unanimous intention of all residents on Galen crescent (20 residential dwellings) and precedents of other pathways in Vaughan that are found at the end of crescents without a sidewalk.

The City's sidewalk guidelines recognize the need for sidewalks along public roads to provide routes for pedestrians, which connect to community services such as schools, parks, trails, open spaces, businesses and transit. Following a review of the area, the sidewalk on Galen Crescent will provide a pedestrian connection between Mactier Drive, which is a Collector Street and serves as a vital connection through the neighbourhood, and the planned trail network/multi-use path network to the west of

Galen Crescent. As such, sidewalks on Galen Crescent will provide pedestrian connectivity for the neighbourhood between these vital planned links/pathways.

The development plan for any subdivision network of roads and pedestrian options considers policies and guidelines such as the Official Plan, the City of Vaughan Pedestrian and Bicycle Master plan, Greening directions Vaughan and an Engineering Standards review.

The Official Plan

The Official Plan supports City-wide active transportation options such as walking and cycling as viable modes of transportation for commuter, recreational and other travel. It further supports that provisions should be made for appropriate facilities and infrastructure, such as sidewalks, trails and bicycle lanes, which may be secured through the development approvals process should be undertaken to plan for universal accessibility. Gaps in the street network are to be minimized by the provision of strategically located sidewalk and pathway connections ensuring that the design of large development sites supports multi-use pathways and access points on-site and maximizes connectivity to the surrounding pedestrian and bicycle networks.

Greening Directions Vaughan

Greening Directions Vaughan contains objectives that further speak to the development and sustainability of a network of sidewalks, paths and trails that supports all modes of non-vehicular transportation. The City's Community Sustainability and Environmental Master Plan was designed to guide the community to a more sustainable future. The objectives of Green Directions Vaughan support development of the sidewalk network, active transportation, and complete streets, which would encourage walking – the most sustainable mode of transportation.

City of Vaughan Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan

The City's Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan recommends that sidewalks be provided on at least one side of all residential streets. The Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan further recommends that the City works to provide pedestrian connections and sidewalks to minimize gaps in the network and protect for community-level connectivity to major streets, parks, schools, or trail systems.

Engineering Standards Review

Galen Crescent is planned as a City of Vaughan Local Road with a 17.5m right-of-way. Per our Engineering Standards, the 17.5m Local Road standard contains a 1.5m sidewalk on one (1) side of the roadway. The requirement for sidewalks, trails and their locations are further captured in our Engineering Design Criteria and in the subdivision Agreement.

Development Review

The block 61 West community features comprehensive sidewalk networks on every road on at least one side. The development recommendations included an effective network of sidewalks and trails that satisfied the active transportation policies in the VOP, which staff supported, and Council approved. In reviewing the development plans for Galen Crescent, we note that the engineering drawings provided to the City for file 19T-16V010 include the sidewalk on Galen Crescent, are dated April 2017 and were further shown on community plans which should have been available at the time of purchase. As such, the sidewalk on Galen Crescent has been planned in accordance with our policies and has been sufficiently shown on the development plans for some time. Transportation and mobility form part of approved council priorities and strategic initiatives aimed at improving the local road network and advancing active transportation options. Staff have endeavored to design and approve communities with this in mind.

Based on Staff's review, it is our position that the sidewalk removal request cannot be supported. The sidewalks on Galen Crescent are planned in accordance with our policies, Council directives, and engineering standards. The sidewalk will provide a linkage between the multi-use pathway network and Mactier Drive, which is an important connection for the greater community and provides additional safety while minimizing risk to the City and pedestrians who would otherwise have to resort to other options such as walking along the roadway.

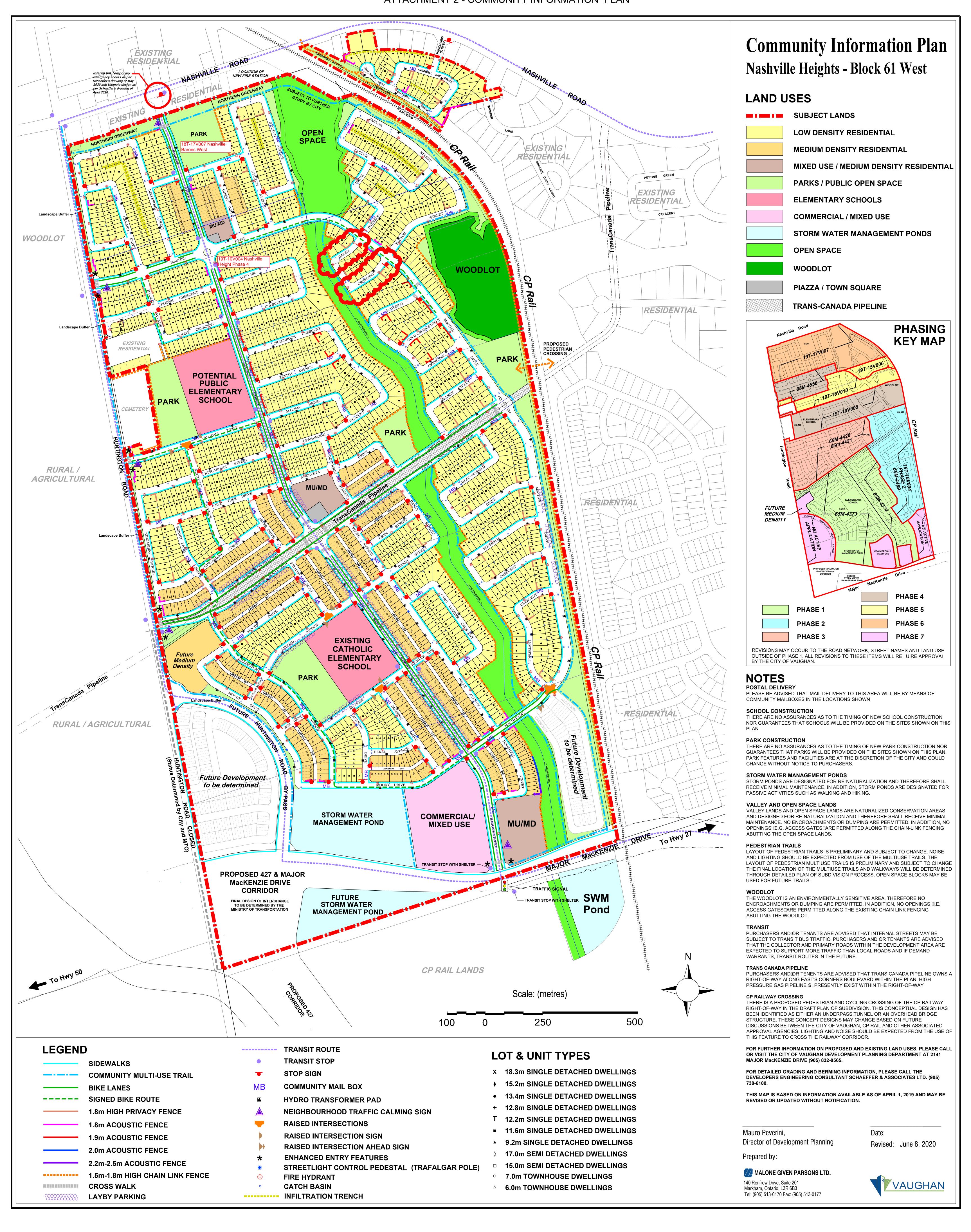
For more information, contact Frank Suppa, ext. 8255

Respectfully submitted

Nick Spensieri

Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development





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Mackenzie Health Update

Presentation to Vaughan Council

Altaf Stationwala President & CEO, Mackenzie Health Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Mackenzie Health today



We are laser focused on:

- Fighting the **COVID-19 pandemic** and keeping our staff and patients safe
- Preparing for our two-hospital future
- Enabling enhanced care through smart technologies and innovation
- Securing adequate operational funding and raising the local share with our capital campaign





Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital

Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital

Challenges and learnings of COVID-19



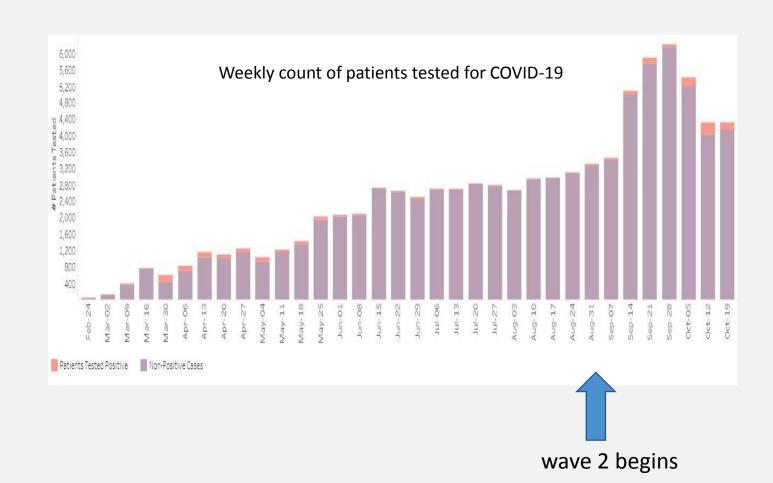
- Challenges and learnings:
 - Virus was largely unknown
 - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - Affected populations and community supports
 - Emergency Department volumes and scheduled procedures
 - Testing and case counts
 - Flu season



Mackenzie Health COVID-19 Assessment Centres



- Total # of tests since the start of the pandemic: 87,069
- Total # of tests in wave 1: 47,445
- Total # of tests in wave 2: 39,624



^{*}data is current as of October 28, 2020

COVID-19 success stories



 There were success stories – some hospitals were "COVID-19 free" and we saw inspiring patient recoveries **CBC**

'Feisty' 103-year-old survives COVID-19 while reading so many books, hospital staff 'couldn't keep up'









Rose Weinstock's father survived Spanish flu in 1920





Rose Weinstock, age 103, calls herself 'one of the lucky ones.' (Sue Goodspeed/CBC)

TORONTO STAR (

STAR EXCLUSIVE

After seven weeks, one of Ontario's first COVID-19 patients to be intubated leaves the ICU, to applause





Capacity challenges



 Returning to normal hospital operations means a return to overcrowding and capacity challenges

Mackenzie Richmond Hill
 Hospital was the most
 over-crowded hospital in
 Ontario – over capacity for
 179 of the first 181 days in 2019

TORONTO STAR

Hospitals warn of 'enormous growing risk' as they urge stronger COVID-19 measures



By **Megan Ogilvie** Health Reporter Sun., Oct. 4, 2020 | \odot 6 min. read

At Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital, emergency volumes are back to prepandemic levels, putting a strain on its already busy emergency department that typically sees between 300 and 320 patients a day, said Dr. David Rauchwerger, Mackenzie Health's chief of emergency medicine.

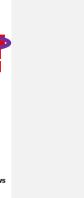
"The luxury during wave one when we were at 50 per cent volumes, we could repurpose some of our space to more safely see patients. We don't have that luxury anymore," he said.

The Richmond Hill Hospital is currently at 89 per cent capacity and was at 104 per cent capacity on Sept. 28, according to a spokesperson from Mackenzie Health. Its two COVID-19 assessment centres are currently testing up to 1,000 people a day — nearly double the number a few weeks ago, the spokesperson said.



Toronto · CBC Investigates

Some of Ontario's biggest hospitals are filled beyond capacity nearly every day, new data reveals



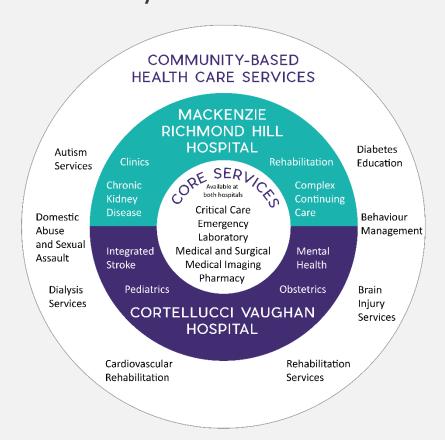
Ontario's Most Overcrowded Hospitals Days over 100% capacity, Jan-June 2019 (181 days)



Creating health care capacity



 Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital is a concrete solution to creating additional capacity in the health care system



Total bed capacity

Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital: 340 beds

Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital: 342 beds

Total: 682 beds

Achieving Substantial Completion at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital





September 18, 2020: Substantial completion milestone celebration with government and construction partners

> STAR EXCLUSIVE

A hospital designed 'through the eyes of a patient'

With a \$1.7B price tag and several controversies along the way, Vaughan hospital is finally ready

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It's been more than a decade in the works, comes with a \$1.7 billion price tag and has overcome controversies, political hurdles and the onset of a now complete.

The long-awaited building, located practising how to safely deliver care in a HOSPITAL continued on A3

minutes from Highway 400 and within new building. view of Canada's Wonderland, means residents of Vaughan - one of the ing will be able to seamlessly connect country's fastest-growing cities with a patients to their electronic medical repopulation of 335,000 - can receive cords at all parts of their care journey. It hospital care within their community.

A part of Mackenzie Health, the hospital will open its doors to patients earglobal pandemic, but construction of ly next year after training thousands of floors - which is vital to curb the the Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital is staff, testing hundreds of pieces of spread of infectious diseases. equipment and computer systems and

A smart hospital, the Vaughan buildalso has a state-of-the-art ventilation system that contains air flow within some rooms - and even entire hospital

September 20, 2020: front-page feature in the Toronto Star

Looking towards opening day at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital





Lorenzo and Melina De Meneghi Boulevard of Care

Magna Emergency triage area

Auditorium Green Roof

Enabling enhanced care through smart technology and innovation



- Highest certification of electronic medical record adoption –
 1st in Canada
- HIMSS Nicholas E. Davies Award of Excellence and CHIME Most
 Wired in both 2018 and 2020
- First in Ontario to have two modular data centres connecting both hospitals by a fibre-optic cable
- Piloting MyCare bedside technology and smart beds to lead to a better patient experience
- MyChart patient portal lets patients access their health information at home



Generating significant economic & employment activity in the region











- 1,000+ construction jobsbetween 2016 and 2020
- 20+ York Region-based companies involved in the construction phase

- 1,500 full-time equivalent hospital staff positions
- 100 new physicians
- 350 volunteers



Community Effort



- It takes both government and community support to make the new hospital a reality
- Local share: \$250 million
 - More than \$178 million raised to date





Questions?

