

Committee of the Whole (Working Session) Report

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TITLE: KLEINBURG-NASHVILLE HERITAGE CONSERVATION
DISTRICT PLAN UPDATE – PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT
PLAN UPDATE

FROM:

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ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To present the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan Update for adoption, implementation, and subsequent By-law amendment.

Report Highlights

- The current Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan was adopted and implemented in 2003
- The current Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan is being updated to respond to policy and legislative changes since its original adoption
- The Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan Update project updates both sections of the Heritage Conservation District: the Study and the Plan

Recommendations

1. That the proposed draft Plan Update of the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan, set out in Attachment 1, be RECEIVED;
2. That the current Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan (2003) be updated to the Heritage Conservation District Plan Update (2021); and
3. That current Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District By-laws 183-2003, 184-2003, and 268-2003 be amended to reflect the adoption and

implementation of the Kleinburg-Nashville Heritage Conservation District Plan Update (2021), as presented.

Background

A Heritage Conservation District Study and Plan for Kleinburg-Nashville were prepared in 2003 by Philip Carter and Paul Oberst. Since that time there have been a number of policy and legislative changes which have and continue to have influence on planning decisions.

In November 2019, the City of Vaughan commenced a comprehensive update to the 2003 Kleinburg-Nashville Conservation District ('KNHCD') Plan. The initiative was undertaken in two phases. The first phase was an update to the KNHCD Study, and the second phase was an update to the 2003 KNHCD Plan, including the design guidelines. This presentation provides a comprehensive update of both documents and will form the KNHCD Plan Update (2021).

Previous Reports/Authority

Previous reports relating to this initiative can be found at the following links:

[Item 1, Heritage Vaughan Committee \(Report No. 5\), July 22, 2020](#)

[Item 3, Heritage Vaughan Committee \(Report No. 4\), April 21, 2021](#)

Analysis and Options

The 2003 KNHCD Plan has provided high-level guidance for development activity in the KNHCD Plan area for the last 18 years to protect and conserve the KNHCD's heritage and character, amidst the many regulatory and policy changes introduced by the Province of Ontario.

The first phase of the KNHCD Plan Update was an update to the Study. The KNHCD Study process commenced in Q4 2019. It included the review and mapping of the heritage resources inventory, site walks, Townscape survey, background study and policy review, and the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats ('SWOT') analysis of the 2003 KNHCD Plan.

Two public and stakeholder meetings were hosted in February 2020. The input received, along with the evaluation and gap analysis of the 2003 KNHCD Plan, guided the updated KNHCD Study. The updated Study draft was made available online for digital engagement with the community. The comments received from all stakeholders contributed to the compilation of the final "draft" of the KNHCD Plan Study document, which was presented to the Heritage Vaughan Committee in November 2020.

The second phase of the project was the update to the Plan. The purpose of the KHCD Plan Update is to build upon the existing KHCD Plan's past successes and respond to a changing legislative environment, strengthen the heritage policies and conservation

tools based on the community's long-term vision. Key objectives of the KHCD Study update included the following:

- updated the maps of existing cultural heritage resources
- addressed the findings of the SWOT analysis of the 2003 KHCD Plan
- updated the list of heritage attributes
- integrated new and updated context for the Plan, including policy frameworks, performance-based design guidelines and policies

The updated Plan draft was made available online for digital engagement with the community. A subsequent public and stakeholder meeting was hosted in February 2021. The input received, along with feedback from City staff, guided the final "draft" of the KNHCD Plan Update. The final "draft" of the KNHCD Plan Update document was presented to the Heritage Vaughan Committee in April 2021.

Financial Impact

There are no requirements for new funding associated with this report.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

There are no broader Regional impacts or considerations.

Conclusion

The KNHCD Plan Update (2021) builds upon the existing KNHCD Plan's past successes and responds to a changing legislative environment, strengthens the heritage policies and conservation tools based on the community's long-term vision. Cultural Heritage staff recommends the final "draft" of the KNHCD Plan Update (Study and Plan) documents and presentation regarding the KNHCD Plan update be received, and the KNHCD Plan Update (2021) be adopted and implemented.

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Attachments

1. Final "Draft" KNHCD Plan Update (2021) ([linked](#))

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