

ONE CITY, ONE VISION, ONE PLAN

BARRIE'S NEW OFFICIAL PLAN

Presented to: Accessibility Advisory Committee

November 12, 2020 via ZOOM





Presentation Outline

1. The Journey
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The Journey



Since September 2018 staff and the consulting team have worked to develop a transformative New Official Plan

Committed to Unparalleled Community Engagement

Embraced a holistic philosophy centered on a clear vision that provides direction and certainty as well as a framework for coordination

Developed a growth management strategy that prepares Barrie for 20 years of significant growth, and beyond, while conforming to Provincial policy

Prepared City-wide urban design guidelines that will ensure high quality built form and architectural design

Draft Documents Released on Sept. 24th



City of Barrie
Official Plan 2041
"One City, One Vision, One Plan"
DRAFT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW
SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

The cover of the City of Barrie Official Plan 2041 features a dark blue background with a white network diagram of interconnected nodes and lines. At the bottom, there is a white silhouette of a city skyline.

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DILLON CONSULTING

CITY-WIDE URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES
SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 – Draft For Public Review

The cover of the City-wide Urban Design Guidelines features a central rendering of a modern, multi-story building with a mix of brick and concrete facades, surrounded by greenery and a public square. The top of the cover includes the Barrie logo and the slogan "ONE CITY, ONE VISION, ONE PLAN", along with the Dillon Consulting logo. The bottom of the cover displays the title "CITY-WIDE URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES" and the date "SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 – Draft For Public Review".

OP Overview



Urban Design: Planning an Attractive City



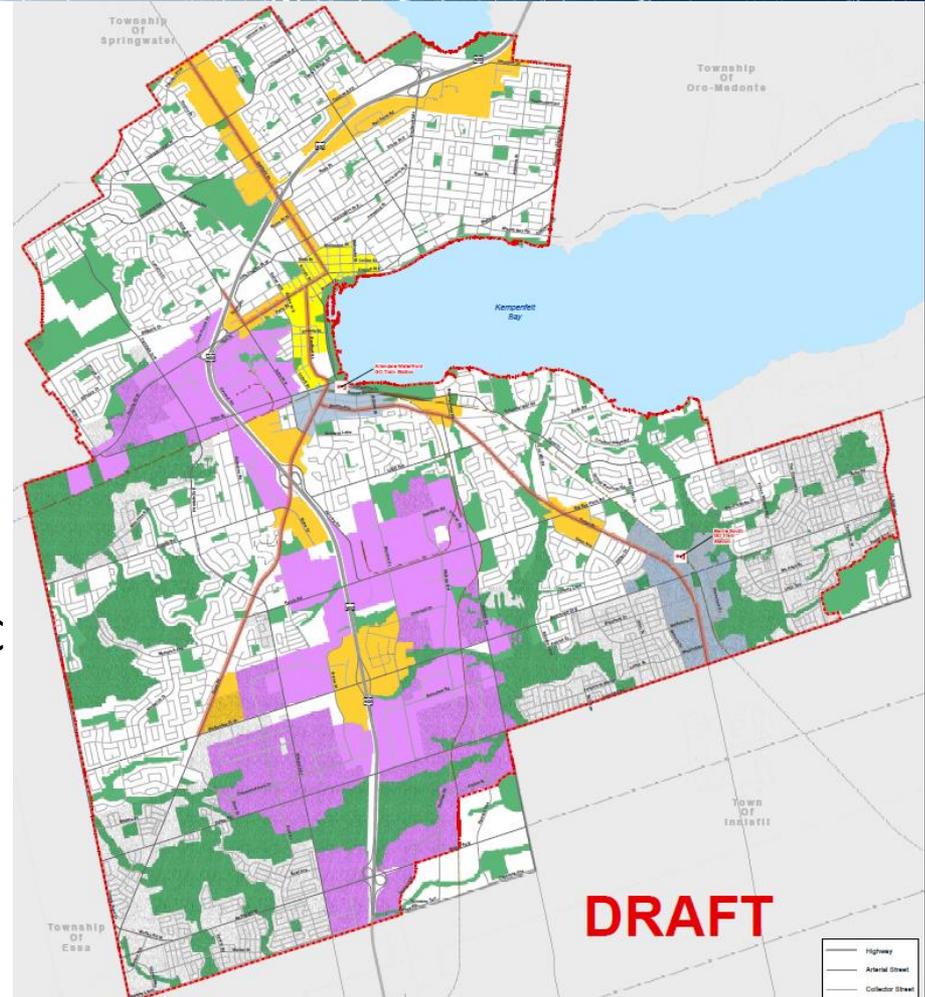
- **Design Excellence**
- **Human Scale**
- **Sustainable, Resilient and Adaptive**
- **Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity**
- **Contextual Design**



Community Structure



- Community Structure = Blueprint for growth and development
- Colour Areas Identify:
 - Natural Heritage System/Open Spaces
 - Employment Areas
 - Urban Growth Centre
 - Major Transit Station Areas (Go Stations)
 - Allandale in MTSA, not UGC
 - Strategic Growth Areas



Approach to Accessibility



#1 – Policy

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and the Ontario Building Code (OBC)

- highlighting and enshrining provincial policies into the Official Plan to improve safety and accessibility in public places and built form.

#2 – Urban Design

Universal Design

- Identifying Universal Design principles within the Official Plan with emphasis on public spaces and facilities.
- Policies and standards for universally designed public spaces, active transportation facilities, transit facilities and municipal buildings.
- Policies to encourage universal design in private built form.

Policy Highlights

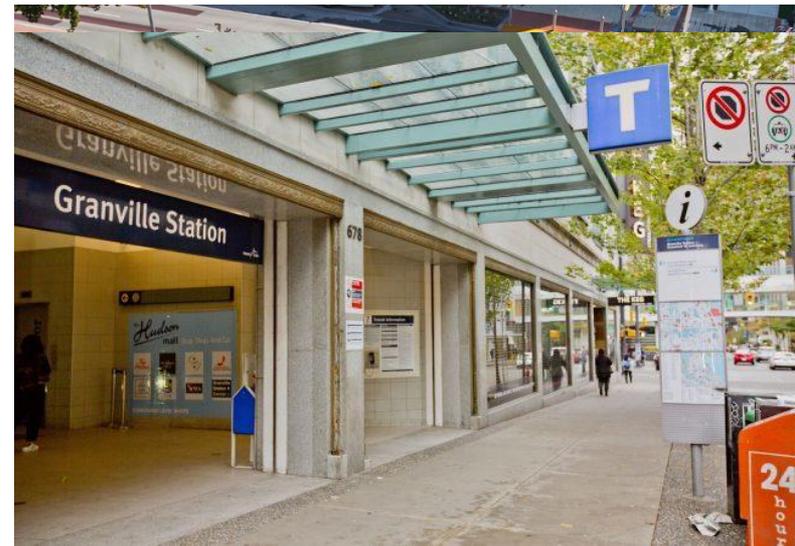
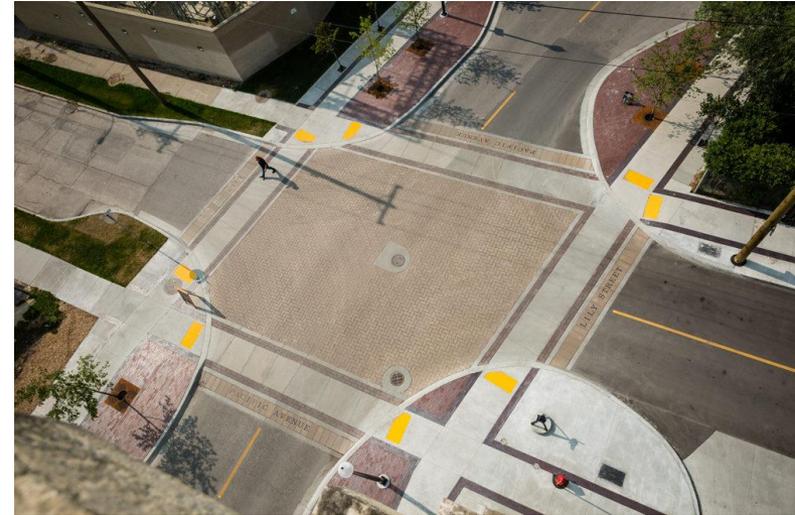


Community Vision Statement

Chapter Goals and Objectives

Key Policies:

- 2.5.1 (i) – Land Use Policies – Innovative Housing/Unit Types
- 3.2.3 – Human Scale Design – Active and Accessible Uses at Grade
- 3.3.5.2.1 (i) Policies for Public Spaces
 - Establishing Universal Design Principles & Objectives
- 4.2.3 – Sidewalk & Intersection Design policies
- 4.3.1.12.4 – Active Transportation
- 4.4.1 – Public Transit Policies
- 4.7.1 – Parking policies
- 5.6.1 – Accessible Parks and Universal Design
- 6.4.1 – Public Buildings and Facilities





Urban Design Highlights

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- **Sidewalks, Intersections, Parks and Open Spaces**
 - Guidance on size and space, materiality and barrier-free design
 - Multi-Sensory Cues at Crossings: Tactile, Visual and Audio
 - Universally accessible furnishings and amenities (playgrounds etc.)
- **Public Transit and Active Transportation Facilities/Infrastructure**
 - Guidance on size and space, materiality and barrier-free design
 - Universally accessible furnishings and amenities (transit shelters etc.)
 - Universal legibility of markings/signage/wayfinding
- **Buildings**
 - Building accesses/entrances
 - Updating heritage buildings with barrier free/universal design
 - Universally accessible site furnishings and amenities
- **Parking**
 - AODA requirements and Standards for Spaces
 - Universally accessible pathways and circulation

The Path Forward



- **Draft Documents Released for 90-day consultation** on Thursday September 24
 - **Conclusion of 90-Day consultation** = December 22, 2020
- **Public Open House (Statutory Milestone)** ~ Spring 2021
- **Public Meeting (Statutory Milestone)** ~ Spring 2021
- **Adoption of new OP (Critical Statutory Milestone)** ~ Fall 2021
 - When adopted, staff will prepare an Adoption package for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.
 - Package will include all work completed as part of a Municipal Comprehensive Review that supports the new OP.
 - Ministerial review period= 120 days
- **Preliminary zoning by-law work** ~ beginning in late 2020 and into 2021

Connecting the Dots



- Further Engagement:

- Engagement Platform => BuildingBarrie.ca

- Polls

- Comments submission

- Q&A

- Videos

- World Town Planning Day Announcement (Nov 8)

- **Recommendation:** Assign a committee member(s) to review OP and draft comments.

- *Comments should be 'accepted' by the committee and submitted to me by DEC 22, 2020.*

- Comments must be submitted in writing

Q & A

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