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To: Interested Neighbourhood Residents, Property Owners and Community Members

RE: Second Public Meeting for a New Hidden Valley Secondary Plan and Updated Zoning

As a resident of Hidden Valley, we'd like to invite you to a public meeting as part of the process to develop a secondary plan for this area. A secondary plan is included as part of the city's Official Plan and helps to identify land uses for a particular area in order to ensure we're building complete communities that include a mix of residential, commercial, employment, institutional, parks and other amenities that support a healthy quality of life. These uses are then encoded within the City's Zoning By-law which is a tool that also identifies where buildings can be placed on properties and how big they could be. This is a City-led project.

The meeting will be held at the Kitchener Operations Facility, 131 Goodrich Dr., Kitchener on Wednesday, November 14th from 6:30–8:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria Room (Bramm/Elmsdale Rooms). An overview presentation will be provided at 7:00pm. Please enter at the side from the parking lot (not the main door).



A first meeting was held in June 2018 to introduce the project and identify that we are in an early stage of updating the land use and zoning in the area. At the first meeting, staff provided an overview of the study area, what information is already known, what opportunities and limits exist, what's included in the study and details on the process and timelines. There was also an opportunity for residents and stakeholders to provide feedback on things such as what they like about the area now, what's missing from their neighbourhood, what information they want staff to consider when developing the plan and what ideas they may have about potential future development activity in the area. The display boards, presentation, questions and comments sheets are on the project website at www.kitchener.ca/hiddenvalley.

We are now at a point where a preliminary draft land use plan will be ready to present and receive feedback. This type of plan will identify areas for residential uses, future employment opportunities, offices, commercial stores, institutional and community uses, along with environmental conservation areas and parks.

Please note that this item is intended to be considered by City Council in the first half of 2019. The current work is 'preliminary' and more formal updates, including to zoning, are expected to occur after 2019 through a formal public process.

Information shared at the meeting will also be available online (posted on the project website after the meeting). If you are unable to attend this meeting, you are welcome to provide your input through the project website or to secondaryplans@kitchener.ca.

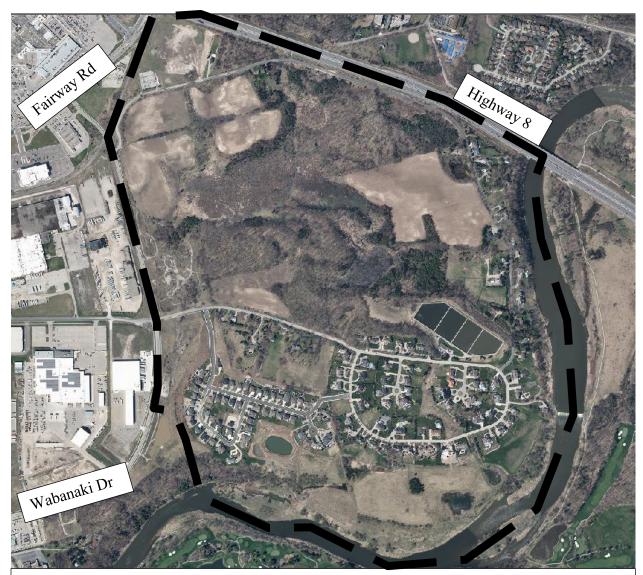
Your input is important and we look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

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cc. Ward Councillor John Gazzola
Alain Pinard, Director of Planning
Colleen Collins, Interim Director and Manager, Corporate Communications



Neighbourhood Planning Review Area