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# Case 21169 Non-Substantive Amendment

Bedford West Development Agreement

North West Community Council 12 February 2018 Scott Low Planner II

# **Applicant Proposal**

## Applicant:

Bedford West Holdings Inc.

## Location:

Larry Uteck & Broad St Bedford West Community Commercial District (BWCDD) Sub-Area 2

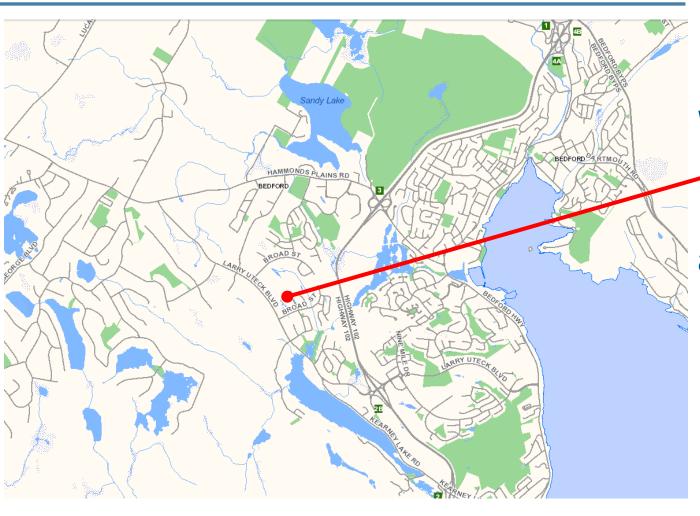
## Proposal:

Amend the existing DA to allow for car washes as a permitted use not as an accessory to a gas bar





## **Site Context**



**Bedford West** 

Larry Uteck and Broad St









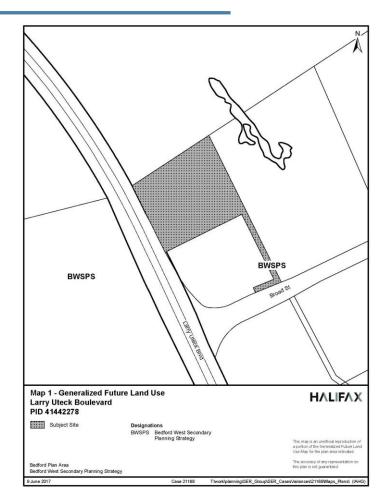


## **Planning Policy**

**Bedford Municipal Planning Strategy Policies BW-33 & BW-34A** 

### Policy allows consideration of:

- ...a range of community commercial...uses within the Community Commercial Centre Designation
- Within the Community Commercial area it shall be the intention to enable the sale of gasoline at gas bars located proximate to the commercial and transportation core of Bedford West...
- Council may consider the establishment of design, architectural and aesthetic guidelines for gas bars...



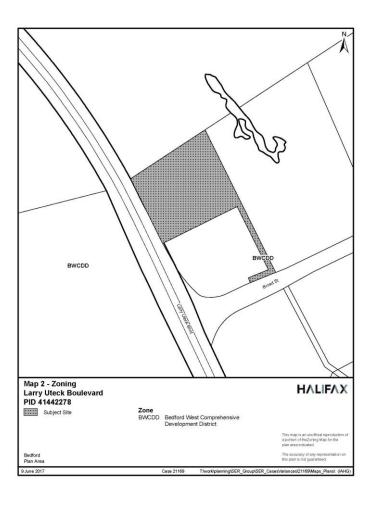


## **Bedford Land Use By-law**

#### **Definitions**

 Bedford West DA relies upon LUB definitions enabling a car wash but only accessory to a gas bar:

Gas Bars - means development used for the retail sale of gasoline, other petroleum products and incidental automotive accessories. This use does not include service stations but may include a car wash or drive-thru restaurant as an accessory use.





## **Proposal**

## Can a car wash be a standalone permitted use?

- Applicant requests DA be modified to allow for car wash use on a separate parcel not as a gas bar accessory
- Staff explored a Bedford LUB amendment to the Definitions, but DA amendment more practical
- The request is commercially reasonable as car washes are an anticipated, functional use of the land
- Design controls per the MPS can be applied to car washes as they are to gas bars



# **Public Engagement**

- Consultation was achieved through a mail out notification, newspaper ad, and a public information meeting held November 9, 2017.
- No members of the public attended.
- Feedback from the community generally included the following:



## **NW PAC Recommendation**

**December 6, 2017** 

On December 6, 2017, the North West Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) recommended that the application be approved noting no conditions nor concerns.



## **DA Amendment Summary**

This amending development agreement only alters Schedules, and therefore qualifies as non-substantive per the Bedford West DA.

As proposed, Non-Substantive Amendments to the existing DA include the following:

- Permit "car washes" as a single line addition to Schedule R for commercial land use
- Apply design controls to car washes under the same section as gas bars on Schedule V with specifying language



## **Staff Recommendation**

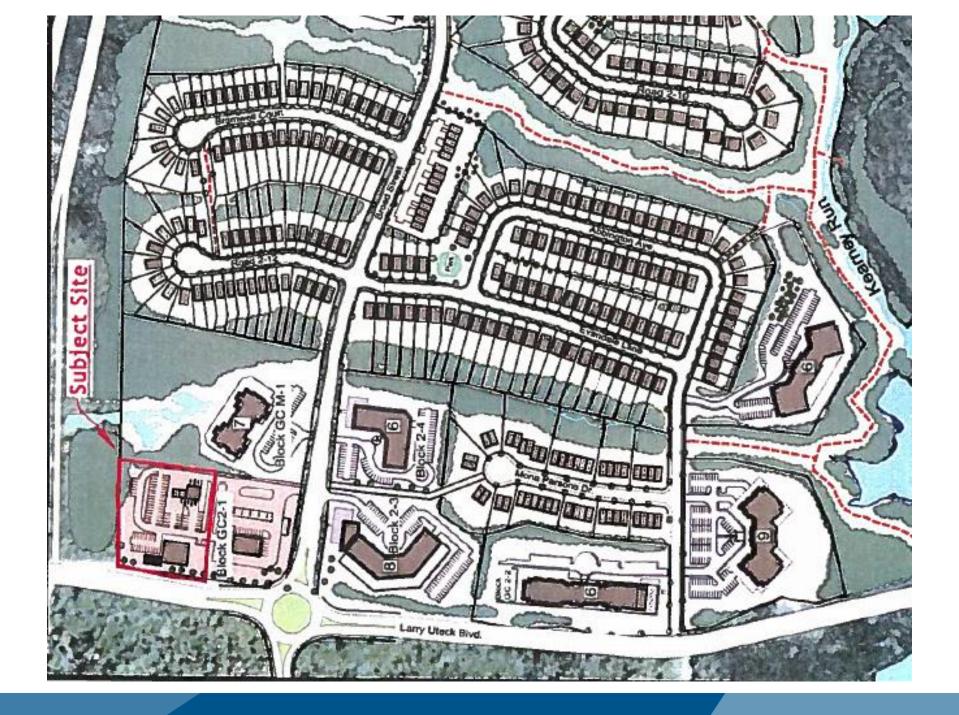
Staff recommend that North West Community Council:

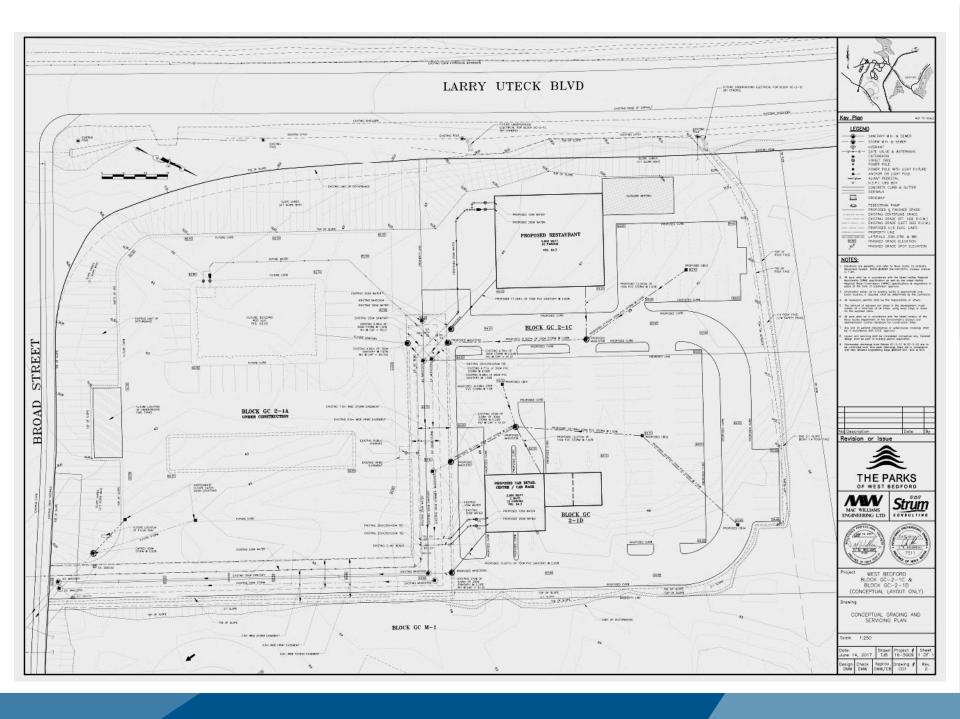
1. Approve the proposed amending development agreement as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated February 12, 2018.

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## **Thank You**

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- Include additional site photos in this section as well

