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Public Meeting for Case 20159

Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law Amendment for Victoria Road and South Park Street, Halifax

April 9, 2018

Agenda for Tonight's Meeting

1.	Viewing of Display Boards	6:30 p.m 7:00 p.m.
2.	Welcome and Introductions	7:00 p.m 7:05 p.m.
3.	HRM Staff Presentation	7:05 p.m 7:20 p.m.
4.	Applicant Presentation	7:20 p.m 7:35 p.m.
5.	Public Feedback (Questions and Comment)	7:35 p.m 9:00 p.m.
6.	Wrap-Up, Next Steps, Feedback Form	8:55 p.m 9:00 p.m.



Introductions

- **Sarah MacDonald** Chair Halifax Peninsula PAC
- **Members of Halifax Peninsula PAC**
- Tyson Simms Planner
- Waye Mason Deputy Mayor, District 7
- Sharon Chase Legislative Assistant
- **lain Grant** Planning Technician
- **Richard Kassner** Applicant (Kassner Goodspeed Architects Ltd.)



HRM Staff Presentation



Role of the HRM Planner

- $\circ\,$ Manage the planning application process.
- Serve as the main contact for the applicant and general public regarding questions, comments or concerns.
- Draft reports, negotiate with the applicant and make recommendations to Council.



Purpose of this Meeting

- Provide information to the public on the proposed development at the corner of Victoria Road and South Park Street, Halifax
- Explain the process involved for an application of this type
- Receive feedback and answer questions regarding the planning process and proposed development

Feedback provided tonight will inform the process

No decisions will be made tonight



Proposal

<u>Applicant</u>: Kassner Goodspeed Architects, on behalf of Eldorado Properties Limited.

Location: 5713 Victoria Road, 1102 and 1106 South Park Street.

Proposal: 9–storey mixed use development:

- Consolidate 5713 Victoria Road,
 1102 and 1106 South Park Street; and
- Redevelop existing 8-storey residential building.





Site Context Victoria Road and South Park Street, Halifax



General Site location

Site Boundaries in Red

Site size: Site frontage: 26,000 sq. ft. (0.6 acres) South Park Street ~56m (183 ft.) Victoria Road 40.5 m (133 ft.)



Site Context – South Park St.



Subject site looking southwest from South Park Street.



Site Context – South Park St.



Subject site looking northwest from South Park Street and Victoria Road Intersection.



Site Context – Cunard Street



Subject site looking northeast from Victoria Road.



Existing Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS)

Designations - South End Secondary Plan Area



Existing Halifax Land Use By-law (LUB)

Zoning – South End Secondary Plan Area



Modernizing Planning Documents

Regional Plan – August 2006



Regional Plan 5 Year Update - October 2014



Centre Plan: 2013 – Today





Amendments in Centre Plan Area

- Proposal is a site specific amendment to the existing MPS.
- Staff received 23 requests to amend current planning rules within the area currently being reviewed under the Centre Plan.
- Fall 2016 Open House to introduce proposals.
- Staff did an initial analysis to determine general alignment with the draft Centre Plan.
- Staff report was completed and 22 requests were sent to Regional Council for direction in August (2017).
- Staff Recommendation with respect to Case 20159: Continue with application process subject to specific consideration.



Direction by Regional Council

Continue to process site-specific secondary municipal planning strategy amendments subject to the proposal:

- a) generally aligning with the June 2017 Centre Plan document relative to:
 - Urban Structure (Established Residential)
 - Height (Low); and
 - Floor Area Ratio

*Section 2.1.2 allows the redevelopment of non-conforming sites through consideration of development agreement.

LU b) Allow the redevelopment of non-conforming sites through development agreement. Any increase in unit count could be negotiated in the agreement and must involve public engagement with the surrounding community.



Direction by Regional Council

b) addressing the planning principles of:

- Transition;
- **Pedestrian-orientation**;
- Human-scale;
- Building design; and
- **Context-sensitivity.**

Heritage Property: Review of Regional Plan Policy CH-16

The intent is to support innovative design solutions, with emphasis on heritage integration, that incorporate architecture, place-making, and material selection of the highest quality that are appropriate in relation to their abutting neighbours.



Planning Application Process

We Are Here

Application Submitted

Direction by Council (Initiation)

Public Information Meeting

HRM Internal Circulation & Review

Planning Advisory Committee Meeting

Staff Report with Draft Policy & Recommendation

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting

Community Council Meeting

Regional Council Public Hearing & Decision



Applicant Presentation



Public Input Session

- \circ One speaker at a time
- Speakers are asked to please use the microphone
- $\circ~$ No applauding or booing please
- Speaker to provide name and community name for the record
- Please respect all points of view and opinions
- Please respect the applicant, staff and your neighbours
- Comments are recorded and provided in a summary format



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Thank You For Your Participation

We are looking to improve the way we communicate with community members

Please complete a survey before leaving

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