

## **Notice of Decision with Respect to an Area Municipal Official Plan Amendment**

### Amendment No. 124 to the Municipality of Clarington Official Plan

The Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development for the Regional Municipality of Durham, as the approval authority, made a decision on March 2, 2022 to approve Amendment No. 124 to the Municipality of Clarington Official Plan as adopted by Council of the Municipality of Clarington on December 15, 2020, subject to modifications under Subsection 17(34) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O., c.P.13, as amended.

#### **Purpose of the Official Plan Amendment:**

Amendment No. 124 to the Municipality of Clarington Official Plan proposes comprehensive changes to the Southeast Courtice Secondary Plan area.

The Amendment addresses conformity to the Provincial, *A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe*, and the Regional Official Plan. Additionally, the Amendment updates environmental protection policies, consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement for lands within or in proximity to Natural Hazard Areas. Overall, the Amendment addresses growth management, affordable housing and intensification within the Secondary Plan limits while protecting the environmental features and functions throughout the Municipality through updated sustainability and climate change policy, while ensuring there is adequate transportation connections throughout the Plan area.

#### **Written and Oral Submissions:**

Public consultation was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act*. 9 members of the public spoke at the Statutory Public Meeting held by the Municipality at the Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting. The Municipality also received a number of written submissions throughout the process. The Region received two additional written submission following the Municipality of Clarington's Council's adoption of Amendment No. 124. All comments were given full consideration with the municipality. Further details regarding how the public input was considered are available in the Municipality of Clarington's report to the Planning and Development Committee, Report Number PSD-055-20.

#### **When the Commissioner's Decision is Final:**

If the Commissioner does not receive any notices of appeal for all or part of the decision upon lapsing of the deadline noted below, the decision, or the part of it that is not the subject of an appeal, will be final.

#### **When and How to Submit a Notice of Appeal:**

The last day for filing a notice of appeal is March 22, 2022. Notice to appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal must:

1. be filed with the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development at the following address:

Mr. B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP  
Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development  
Regional Municipality of Durham  
Planning and Economic Development Department

Planning Division  
605 Rossland Road East  
P.O. Box 623  
Whitby, ON L1N 6A3

2. set out the reasons for the appeal, and the specific part of the proposed official plan amendment to which the appeal applies; and
3. be accompanied by the fee of \$1,100.00 in the form of a certified cheque or money order payable to the Ministry of Finance, as required by the Ontario Land Tribunal.

### **Who Can Submit a Notice of Appeal:**

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the municipality to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the plan was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to Council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

### **For Further Information:**

Information about Amendment No. 124 and the decision is available for public inspection during office hours at:

The Regional Municipality of Durham  
Planning and Economic Development Department,  
Planning Division  
605 Rossland Road East, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
P.O. Box 623  
Whitby, ON L1N 6A3

Please contact Heather Finlay, Principal Planner in this Department, at (905) 668-4113 extension 2561 or via e-mail at [heather.finlay@durham.ca](mailto:heather.finlay@durham.ca) if you have any questions.

**Last Date this Notice was Given:** March 2, 2022