City of Oshawa Integrated Columbus Part II Planning Act & Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Act Study

Planning Act Public Meeting

Proposed Part II Plan for the Columbus Planning Area and Related Amendments to the Oshawa Official Plan

March 6, 2023

Presentation Overview

- Background
- Key Features of the Draft Recommended Plan
- Supporting Documents
- Reciprocal Amendments to the Part I Plan
- Comments/Questions

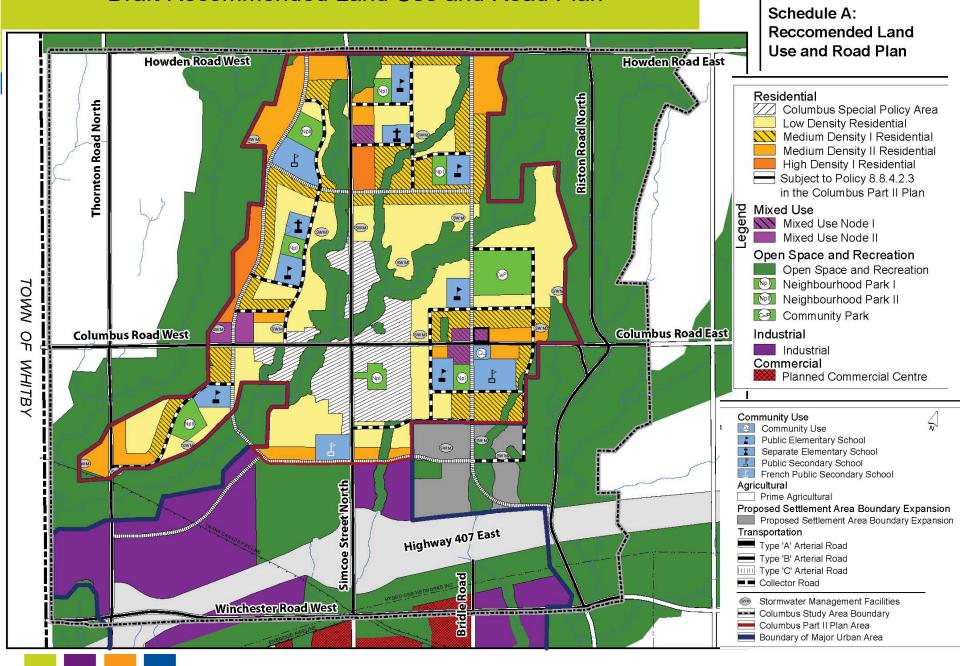
Background

- Based on input received in Stage 3 of the Study on the draft preferred land use and road plan, the following have been prepared for public and stakeholder review in Stage 4:
 - A draft recommended land use and road plan
 - An associated land budget
 - Supporting plans and documents including draft recommended policy text for the Columbus Part II Plan, Urban Design Guidelines, and a Transportation Master Plan Final Report
- Council has provided authorization to hold this Planning Act public meeting

Key Features of the Draft Recommended Plan

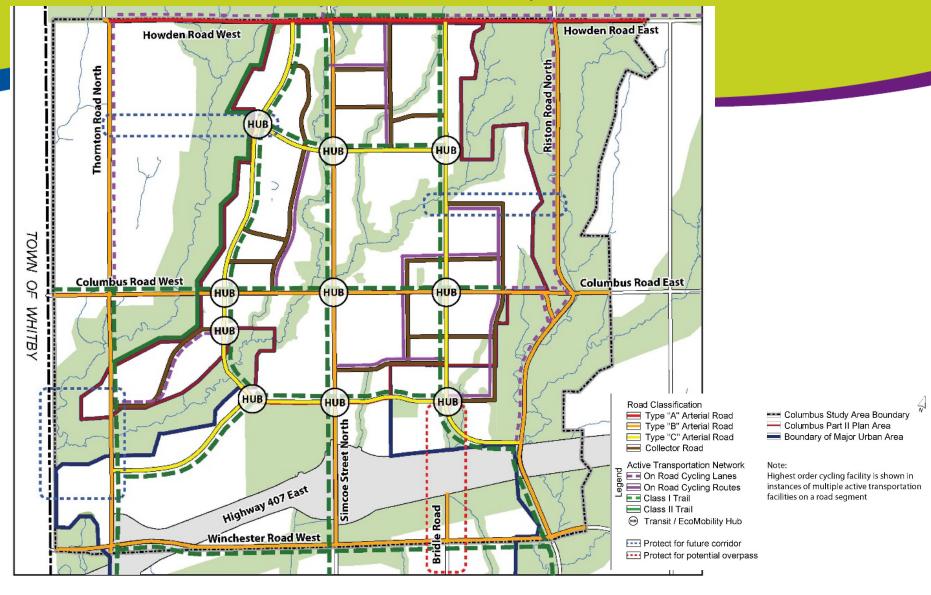
- Columbus Special Policy Area (to regulate and limit development in a manner that is sensitive and complementary to the existing community)
- Seven (7) proposed parks (6 Neighbourhood Parks and 1 Community Park)
- Three (3) mixed use nodes
- Eleven (11) proposed schools
- Variety of residential land uses (predominately low density residential abutting the Columbus Special Policy Area)
- Estimated 7,053 10,485 residential dwelling units
- Estimated population of 18,959 27,846

Draft Recommended Land Use and Road Plan



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Draft Recommended Transportation Plan



Proposed Part II Plan (Policy Text)

Policy highlights include:

- Columbus Special Policy Area policies to regulate and limit development
- Specific policies for residential development for each residential land use designation
- Heritage and archaeological policies to conserve, maintain and protect the area's cultural heritage resources
- Environmental management and stormwater management policies to ensure environmental conservation and protection
- Urban design policies to guide development and respect/embrace the Columbus context, including a maximum height of 6 storeys in high density residential areas

Urban Design Guidelines

- Provide detailed direction and design criteria for the implementation of the Part II Plan vision and related policies
- Provide direction for best practices in community, site and building design, and provide specific guidance for the existing community and its interface and transitions to new neighbourhood areas
- Will assist Council, staff, developers and the public with clear direction to guide design and construction of new development in Columbus

Reciprocal Amendments to the Part I Plan

- A number of housekeeping amendments to the Part I Plan are required as a result of the implementation of the Columbus Part II Plan in the Official Plan:
 - Removing references to a future Part II Plan or preparing a Part II Plan for Columbus
 - Removing reference to the Columbus Special Development Area
 - Adding text to recognize that a Part II Plan has been prepared
 - Updating a variety of Schedules (e.g. adding a Local Central Area symbol, adjusting limits of the Natural Heritage System, etc.)

Next Steps

- Stakeholder and public review:
 - External stakeholders/agencies were circulated the draft recommended land use and road plan,
 Part II Plan policy text and supporting documents
 - Comments on all material have been requested by March 31, 2023
- The Project Team will review all comments received and develop a final recommended Part II Plan for Council's consideration (i.e. staff be directed to further review and prepare a report and recommendation)

Thank You

Questions?

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