

Glendale Niagara District Plan Study - Phase 2





Public Information Centre (PIC) #1 January 31, 2019





Purpose of PIC #1

- What is a District Plan?
- Why Prepare a District Plan for Glendale?
- District Plan Study Approach
- Outcome of Phase 1
- Phase 2 Tasks and Process
- Opportunities to Participate
- Question and Answer Period

Format of PIC #1

6:00 - 6:30 pm Review of Display Panels

6:30 - 6:50 pm Presentation

6:50 - 7:20 pm Question & Answer Period

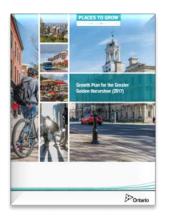
7:20 - 8:00 pm Review of Display Panels

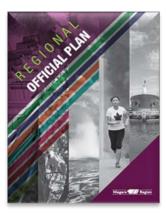




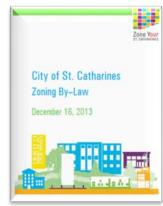
Planning Policy & Regulatory Framework

- Provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe
- Niagara Regional Official Plan
- Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake and City of St. Catharines Official Plans
 - Glendale Secondary Plan
- Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake and City of St. Catharines Zoning By-Laws
- Other policy plans and regulations















What Are District Plans?

- Proactive planning strategies intended to drive growth and economic prosperity
- High-level framework for the land-use planning, design and development of complete, exciting communities
- For priority areas in the Region that:
 - Contribute to Niagara's authentic image and brand
 - Have the potential to be iconic and transformative
 - Have cross-jurisdictional boundaries or interests
 - Require a regional scale vision and planning framework











Implementation District Plans



- Tool to support the Region's efforts to implement the Provincial Growth Plan
- Precursor to more detailed local municipal planning strategies and initiatives that will be developed to implement the vision of the District Plan, such as:
 - Updates / amendments to Official Plans
 - New or revised Secondary Plan(s)
 - Urban design and public realm improvements
 - Sustainability building/development standards
 - Transportation and mobility improvements
 - Collaborative partnerships with various groups





Why a District Plan for Glendale Niagara?

- Over half of the 700 hectares comprising Glendale have been identified in provincial, regional and municipal plans as a strategic urban growth area, where new residents and jobs are to be accommodated over the next 20+ years
 - Much of the urban land is vacant or underutilized and has the potential to accommodate a mix of uses and to transform into a compact, complete and iconic community







Why a District Plan for Glendale Niagara?

- The area has all the key ingredients to offer a successful authentic urban experience where people can live, work and play
- The area can act as a gateway to other parts of the Region
- The area requires a comprehensive road map to guide future planning and investment

Glendale has all the right Ingredients



Niagara Escarpment

Wine and Fruit Growing



Niagara-on-the-Green



Glendale Niagara District Plan Study

• In early 2018 Niagara Region initiated a two-phase District Plan Study for the Glendale area:

Phase 1 - Vision Exercise and Concept Plan

- Led by The Planning Partnership
- Completed in August 2018
- Endorsed by Regional Council in October 2018

Phase 2 - District Plan and Component Studies

- Commenced in November 2018
- Being led by IBI Group
- Anticipated to be complete by July 2019







Glendale Niagara District Plan Study

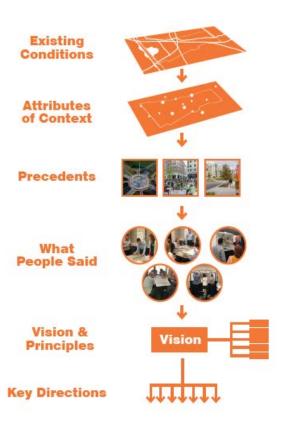
- Intended outcomes of the District Plan include:
 - A planning and development strategy that proactively responds to growth pressures, market trends and opportunities, and aligns with new provincial policy objectives
 - Attracting quality investment, talent and jobs, and proactively supporting investment
 - Leveraging existing assets and planned infrastructure investment
 - Promoting collaboration and building relationships and partnerships
 - Creating a complete community where the academic, employment, commercial and residential sectors inter-relate with each other, and a range of transportation options are available





Phase 1 - Study Scope and Outcomes

- Through a conditions and opportunity assessment and a series of stakeholder meetings and workshops the following was established for Glendale Niagara:
 - Vision Statement
 - Design Principles
 - 'Big Moves'
 - Conceptual Demonstration Plans:
 - Districts
 - Land Use
 - Built Form
 - New Roads and Trails











Phase 1 - Vision Statement

Glendale @ Niagara will be a vibrant community for people of all ages, lifestyles, and abilities - a place to live, work, play, learn and grow.

Its urban districts, with a mix of uses, will protect, integrate and celebrate the natural and rural surroundings reflecting the distinct character of the area.

Glendale @ Niagara will be framed by a new park on the Welland Canal, the creek valleys, the Niagara Escarpment and agricultural lands.

Glendale @ Niagara will put mobility first'with a robust transit system, cycling trails and pedestrian routes seamlessly connecting areas north and south of the QEW.















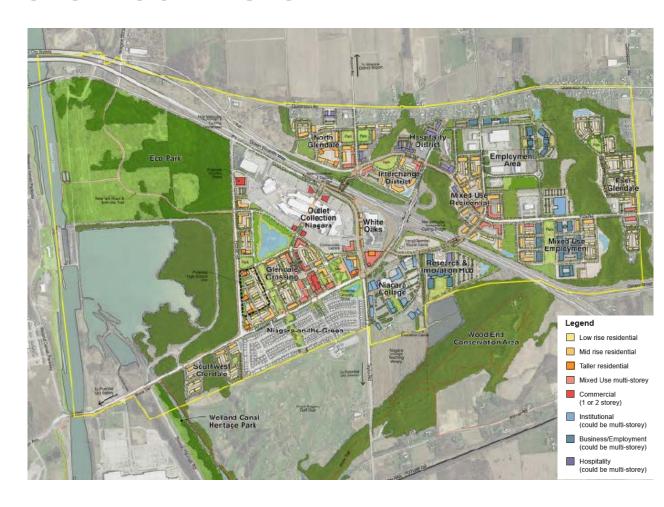






Phase 1 - Preferred Vision

- Thirteen (13)Districts
- Proposed:
 - Land uses
 - Roads and trails
 - Parks and open spaces
- Demonstrative blocks and buildings

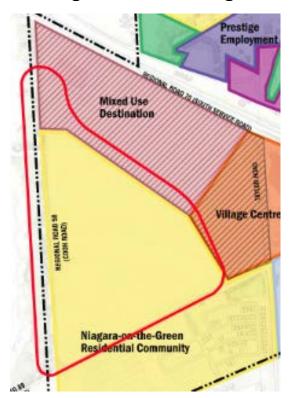






Phase 1 - Districts: Glendale Crossing

Existing Land Use Designations and Conditions





Proposed - Phase 1 Vision





Phase 1 - Districts: Mixed Use Employment

Existing Land Use Designation and Conditions





Proposed - Phase 1 Vision







Phase 1 - Districts: Transit Terminal & Tourist Centre

Existing Land Use Designation and Conditions





Proposed - Phase 1 Vision





Phase 2 - Objective

To transform the Vision into definitive land use plans and strategies for economic development within the Glendale Niagara District





Phase 2 - Scope of Work

- Background and Contextual Review Existing Conditions:
 - Land uses, built form, views/vistas and demographic characteristics
 - Policies, regulations and guidelines
 - Transportation and servicing infrastructure
- Complete High-Level Component Studies:
 - Urban Design arrangement, form and function of urban spaces
 - Commercial Land Needs potential market opportunities
 - Transportation infrastructure needs and opportunities for improved mobility





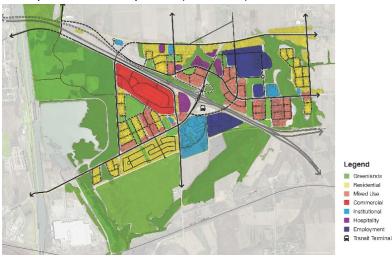




Phase 2 - Scope of Work

 Preparation of two Draft Development and Demonstration Plans and Options Analysis





Source: Glendale Niagara District Plan Visioning & Conceptual Development Plan Final Report (August 22, 2018), prepared by The Planning Partnership

Example of a Development Demonstration Plan



Source: City of Schenectady Route 5 T Transit Gateway Study (2010), prepared by IBI Group

Options Analysis







Phase 2 - Scope of Work

- Preparation of District Plan that contains:
 - The Preferred Development Plan and Demonstration Plan
 - Policy recommendations
 - Guidelines
 - Implementation Strategies
- Drafting of a Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA)





We want to hear from you!

What do you want the study team to know about the area?

How to Participate in Phase 2

- Tonight at PIC #1:
 - Provide input during the Q & A Speak to study team members at the information displays Complete a comment sheet Sign-in (attendance sheet) to receive email updates / invites
- Community Focus Group (CFG)
- Future Public Information Centres (PICs) PIC #2: March 27, 2019 and PIC #3: May 16, 2019
- Municipal and Regional Committee Meetings Town: March 4 & June 3, 2019

Region: March 20 & June 12, 2019

 Statutory Public Meeting for ROPA July 10, 2019 (tentative)





^{*} Dates of future PIC, CFG and Committee meetings may be subject to change. All confirmed meeting dates will be posted on the Region's website: niagararegion.ca/districtplans



How to Participate in Phase 2

 Visit the Region's website for updates, including a link to an Interactive Mapping Tool and Survey that is to be launched in March 2019: niagararegion.ca/districtplans

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Questions or Comments?

Thank you for participating in PIC #1

