



TOWN OF STRATFORD RESOLUTION

PH050-2025 – OP001-2025 General Amendments to the Official Plan Designation Map regarding the Stratford Waterfront Area

Motion Carried X

Council Chambers
Town Council

Motion Lost

Motion Withdrawn

October 8, 2025

Committee Planning & Heritage
Moved by Councilor Jeff MacDonald
Seconded by Councilor Gordie Cox

WHEREAS the Planning Department is proposing amendments to the Town of Stratford Official Plan to permit additional Mixed-Use designation to the adopted 2008 Core Area Subsidiary Plan; and

WHEREAS this Official Plan amendment stems from the Housing Accelerator Fund initiatives to encourage more residential, commercial, and mixed-use development where possible, within the Town; and

WHEREAS this General Text amendment has been developed in conjunction with RZ004-2025 Zoning Bylaw Amendments; and

WHEREAS in accordance with the Stratford Zoning and Development Bylaw #45, planning staff circulated written notice (124 letters/sent July 4, 2025) of the amendment request to all property owners within 150 metres (490 feet) of the boundaries of the subject property or properties, and placed multiple signs on the subject land; and

WHEREAS in accordance with the Stratford Zoning and Development Bylaw #45, notice of this amendment application and public meeting occurred through the placement of an advertisement in the local *Guardian* Newspaper in 2 separate editions (July 12th and July 19th) and was also posted on the Town's Facebook page; and

WHEREAS a public meeting was held on July 21, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. with the Town's consultant Upland Planning presenting to those in attendance. Nine attendees stood up and asked questions of the presenters, comments were recorded in the minutes and was live streamed on the Town's Facebook pages and YouTube; and

WHEREAS residents were given until 4:00 p.m. on July 25, 2025, to submit their comments, and planning staff received 13 letters from residents before the deadline and one signed petition after the deadline with various concerns around parking, its proximity to an existing mature neighbourhood, traffic congestion and other general concerns; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw OPA01-2025, a bylaw to amend the Town of Stratford Official Plan 2014, be hereby read and adopted.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution replaces Resolution PH037-2025 - Official Plan Amendment -Waterfront Core Area Amendment-1st Reading which was incorrectly presented at the September 10th, 2025 Council meeting.

This resolution bears the recommendation of the Planning, Development & Heritage Committee on August 4, 2025.