

PART 7

INTERPRETATION

Although this document is a long term comprehensive Official Plan, it is not intended that this Plan be inflexible and rigid in its interpretation. The following guidelines will be used in the interpretation of the policies and land use designation.

7.1 LAND USE BOUNDARIES

It is intended that the boundaries of the land use designations be considered as approximate unless they are bounded by roads, railways or other physical or geographical barriers. Therefore, amendments to this Plan will not be required in order to make minor adjustments to the approximate land use boundaries or to the location of roads provided the general intent of the Plan is preserved.

7.2 NUMERICAL CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

It is intended that all numerical criteria and standards listed in the text will be considered as approximate only and not absolute. The numbers are intended only for the general guidance in the administration of the Plan. Amendments to this Plan will not, therefore, be required for any minor changes from any of the numerical criteria and standards used throughout the text of the Plan.

7.3 MEANING

Where the meaning of any phrasing or any part of any section is unclear, the meaning of such will be determined within the context of the general policy direction provided by this Plan.

Indication of municipal services or facilities in this Plan shall not be construed as a commitment by the City to construct or provide such services within a certain time frame. Rather such commitments shall be subject to the decisions of Council in its annual capital budget considerations.

7.4 PERMITTED USES

The examples of permitted uses that are listed in the Plan are not meant to be complete or exhaustive but to illustrate the range of activities or uses which are permitted within each land use designation, unless the use is specifically prohibited.

7.5 REFERENCE TO ACTS

In this Plan, any reference to a Provincial or Federal Act of the legislature refers to the Acts as amended from time to time, any successors to these Acts and the latest decennial revisions.

Any reference to specific public agencies or bodies includes their successors in responsibility for those matters mentioned.

All references to the Planning Act are based on the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990 as amended from time to time.

7.6 SCHEDULES

The Schedules form part of the Official Plan and must be read in conjunction with the text.

The following Schedules form part of the Plan:

- a) Schedule "A" Proposed Land Use
- b) Schedule "A-3.1" Secondary Plan-Development Area 1
- c) Schedule "A-3.2" Secondary Plan Development Area 2
- d) Schedule "B" Natural Heritage and Natural Hazard Areas
- e) Schedule "C" Transportation and Road Widening Plan