

King Township
Official Plan Review

Welcome!

Public Forum
Wednesday October 8, 2014



Tonight's Agenda



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| Opening Remarks and Introductions | 7:00 pm |
| Project Overview Presentation | 7:10 pm |
| Q&A | 7:25 pm |
| “Table Work”: Plenary Questions | 7:30 pm |
| Next Steps/Formal Closing | 8:10 pm |
| “Station Work”: Discussion of Issues/Choices | 8:15 pm |

Project Overview



What is an Official Plan?

- An Official Plan contains a **long-term Vision** and **policy framework** to guide growth and development within a community.
- An Official Plan includes **text, maps, and schedules** that provide general direction on how land within the municipality may be used.
- An Official Plan sets out:
 - where new housing, commercial uses, industry, and offices will be located;
 - where municipal services and infrastructure will be needed;
 - how natural systems, agricultural lands, and other important resources should be conserved and protected.



The Ontario Planning Act requires that an Official Plan be reviewed and updated every five years in order to ensure that it is in conformity with Provincial and Regional planning documents.

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Primary Goals:

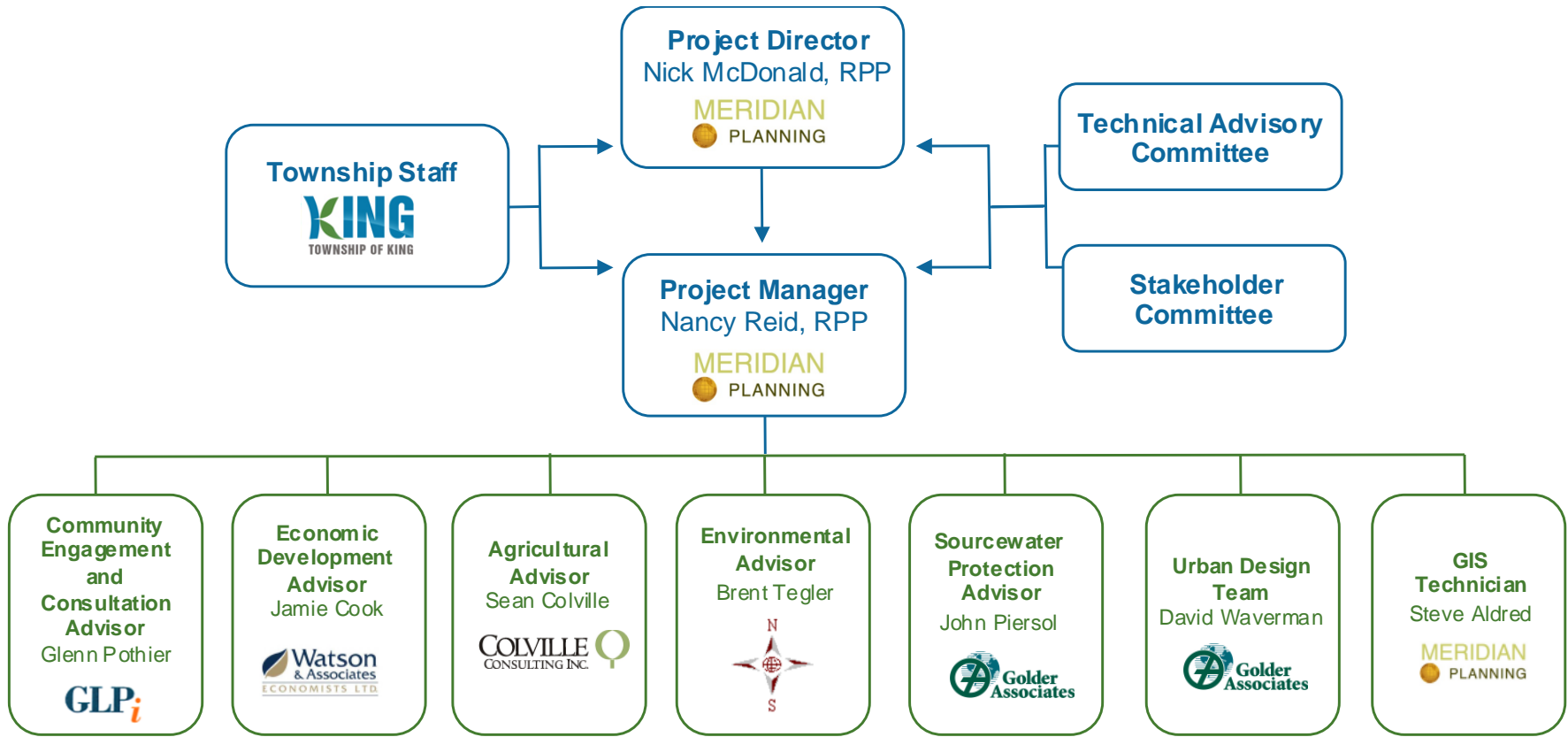
1. Develop a new and overarching Official Plan that will replace the current King Parent Official Plan (1970)
2. Establish consistent policies for Secondary/Community Plan Areas
3. Complete conformity exercises (Provincial and Regional Plans)
4. Address longer-term growth management issues to 2031
5. Establish new policies to support additional economic growth
6. Entrench sustainable development principles in the Official Plan
7. Address other 'Key Issues' identified to-date



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Project Team:



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Work Plan and Schedule:

PHASE
1

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| Issue Identification, Policy Review, and Assessment | Proposed Policy Directions | Draft Official Plan and Draft Official Plan Amendments | Recommended Official Plan and Official Plan Amendments |
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| 2014 | 2015 | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Current Official Plan, Introductory Discussion Paper, and relevant background documents Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Stakeholder Meetings and Public Forum Policy Review and Assessment Background Discussion Paper and Technical Memos Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Public Open House Presentation to Council | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Directions Workshops (Technical Advisory Committee and Stakeholders) Policy Directions Report Public Open House #2 Progress Meeting Presentation to Council | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of Draft Official Plan and Amendments Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Stakeholder Meeting Public Open House #3 Presentation to Council | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize Official Plan and Amendments Statutory Public Meeting Council Adoption |
| <p>Summer 2014 to Winter 2015</p> | <p>Winter 2015 to Spring 2015</p> | <p>Spring 2015 to Fall 2015</p> | <p>Fall 2015 to Winter 2015</p> |

Background and Key Issues



Work Completed to-date:

- Township released 'Introductory Discussion Paper' to initiate dialogue on the Official Plan Review
 - *October 2013*
- Special Meeting under Section 26 of the Planning Act held to seek public input
 - *November 2013*
- Meridian retained and project was initiated
 - *June 2014*
- Technical Advisory Committee Meeting #1 and Stakeholder Committee Meeting #1
 - *September 2014*
- Review of Official Plan documents and relevant background information
 - *On-going*



Key Issue Areas



1

Conformity:

The Official Plan is not in conformity with the current legislative framework and Provincial/Regional policy requirements.

2

Local Vision:

The Official Plan is dated and does not reflect King's current Vision for the future and long-term planning.

3

Plan Structure:

The Official Plan is disconnected from the Township's Secondary Plans and Community Plans and its overall structure is complicated and difficult to interpret.

4

Growth Management:

The Official Plan requires updated policies that direct growth to settlement areas and promote complete, compact, healthy communities.

5

Resource Protection:

The Official Plan policies should continue to protect/enhance natural heritage and water resources, and new policies are needed to address cultural heritage and archaeological resources.

Key Issue Areas



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Intensification and Infill:

The Official Plan requires an overall strategy to accommodate compatible forms of infill and intensification in appropriate areas of King.

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Economic Development:

The Official Plan needs updated policies that will promote economic development opportunities based on an analysis of employment and commercial land needs.

8

Agricultural and Rural Areas:

The Official Plan needs updated policies that will protect King's rural character and recognize and promote agriculture as a major economic driver.

9

Other Specific Issues/Requests:

Additional site-specific issues and explicit policy requests have been identified.

Key Issue Areas



There are a number of matters that the updated Official Plan is required to address:

- Implementing the Greenbelt Plan
- Implementing Source Protection Plans
- Focusing growth and development in existing settlement areas
- Protecting natural heritage features and areas within the Township
- Protecting prime agricultural areas for long-term agricultural uses



Key Issue Areas



We have a choices to make with respect to other matters:

- Determining where intensification should be directed and identifying criteria to evaluate applications
- Permitting value-added activities in agricultural areas as a way to enhance farm viability:
 - agri-tourism uses
 - agriculture-related uses
 - on-farm diversified uses
- Determining how future neighbourhoods should be planned and developed
- Identifying where and how commercial and employment growth should occur to support economic development and competitiveness





Any Questions?

“Table Work”: Plenary Questions



We would like your input:

- A. What is going on inside or outside of King Township that needs to be taken into account when updating the Official Plan?
- B. What current or anticipated key issues should the updated Official Plan address?
- C. "Wouldn't it be great if the updated Official Plan...[PLEASE COMPLETE THE SENTENCE]?"
 - A. "We will know that the updated Official Plan has been successful if...[PLEASE COMPLETE THE SENTENCE]?"

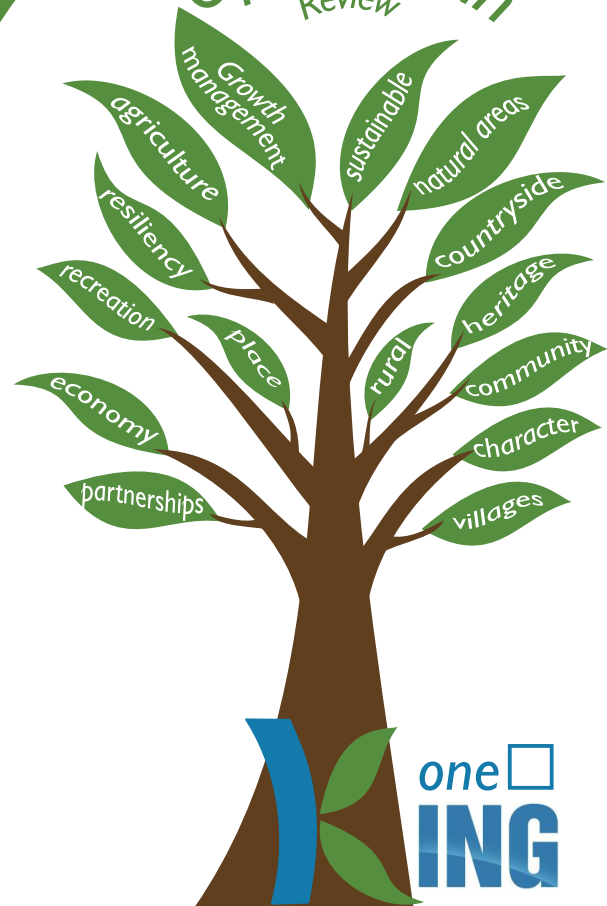
Next Steps



Phase One Milestones and Deliverables:

- Background Discussion Paper and Technical Memos
 - November, 2014
- Technical Advisory Committee Meeting #2
 - November/December, 2014
- **Public Open House**
 - **December, 2014**
- Phase One Presentation to Council
 - Early 2015

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Thank you!