

**NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT
BY THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS**

Urban Settlement Area Expansion, City of St. Thomas

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas passed By-Law No. 29-2021 on the 16th day of February, 2021, pursuant to Subsection 17(22) of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, as amended, adopting Official Plan Amendment No. 97.

The subject lands are shown outlined in a heavy solid line on the Key Map below. The lands can be described as Concession ENBTR, Part of Lots A, B, C, D, Concession NTRE, Part of Lot 45, Concession NTRE GORE, Part of Lots A, B, Plan 34, Part of Lots 7, 8, City of St. Thomas.

The subject lands are designated Employment Lands and Rural Area within the Official Plan of the St. Thomas Planning Area. As part of the “Positioned for Growth” process that was undertaken by the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas to address the City’s future residential land requirements as required through the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, the subject lands were identified as the preferred area for future residential development.

A public meeting was held on June 24th, 2020. Two individuals submitted comments prior to the meeting and three people raised questions about selling land to developers, noise, and density and population and housing forecasts.

The purpose and effect of Official Plan Amendment No. 97 is to amend the City’s Official Plan to implement the recommendations of the Positioned for Growth Study to allow for future residential uses on the subject lands.

The subject lands are also the subject of a concurrent application under the Planning Act for an amendment to the City of St. Thomas Zoning By-Law 50-88.

In coming to its decision, Council took into consideration, the planning reports prepared by staff, the submissions made by the consultants and the comments received at the public meeting.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body who makes appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal with respect to By-Law No. 29-2021 must file with the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas, not later than the 16th day of March, 2021, a notice of appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal. Further, the notice of appeal must be accompanied by the fee required by the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a by-law to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submission to the council or, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

For more information about this matter, contact the City of St. Thomas Planning & Building Services Department.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION relating to the proposed Official Plan Amendment is available for inspection daily, from Monday to Friday, between 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. at the Planning Office, 9 Mondamin Street, St. Thomas, or may be accessed on the City’s website https://www.stthomas.ca/living_here/notices_to_residents or the City’s Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/pages/City-of-St-Thomas-Ontario/120624024692752>.

DATED at the City of St. Thomas, this 24th day of February, 2021.

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KEY MAP (Not to Scale)

