

The Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington

By-law 2022-XX

A By-law to adopt Amendment Number X to the Official Plan for the Township of Centre Wellington.

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington, pursuant to the provisions of the Planning Act, R.S.). 1990, as amended, does hereby enact as follows:

1. That Amendment Number X to the Official Plan for the Township of Centre Wellington, consisting of text and the attached maps, and explanatory text, is hereby adopted.
2. That this By-law shall come into force and take effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this X day of [Month], 2022.

Mayor - Kelly Linton

City Clerk – Kerri O’Kane

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Part A – The Preamble

The Preamble provides an explanation of the proposed amendment including the purpose, location, and background information but does not form part of this amendment.

Part B – The Amendment

The Amendment describes the changes and/or modifications to the Township of Centre Wellington Official Plan.

Part C – The Appendices

The Appendices, if included, herein, provide information related to the Amendment, but do not constitute part of the Amendment.

Part A – The Preamble

Purpose

The purpose of this amendment is to create a site specific policy area to the Highway Commercial designation for the lands legally known as Part Lot 1 Concession A Wgr Pilkington Part 1, 61r4528; Centre Wellington, municipally known as 350 Wellington Road 7 (the “Subject Lands”), located on the west side of Wellington Road 7. The Subject Lands have been vacant for a long period of time and were purchased by the owner to develop the lands for residential uses in the form of townhouses. Although the Highway Commercial designation permits dwelling units within mixed use development, provided that the residential use is located above commercial use, townhouses are not a permitted use within this designation and the proposed townhouse development would not be permitted. As such, an Official Plan Amendment is required to add back-to-back, cluster and live-work townhouses as permitted uses at grade and above a live-work unit, and to recognize live-work units within the first 20 metres of Wellington Road 7 as commercial uses for the purposes of this site specific policy area. This amendment will permit the proposed 273 townhouse unit development.

Location

The Subject Lands are located on the west side of Wellington Road 7, directly west of the intersection of Wellington Road 7 and South Street, and are located outside of the Built Boundary but within the western limits of the Elora-Salem Urban Centre. The Urban Centre wraps around the Subject Lands along this stretch of Wellington Road 7.

Rationale

The proposed amendment is consistent with the policies of the Provincial Policy Statement as it will provide for compact built form on the Subject Lands. The proposed amendment will allow for the efficient development of underutilized lands within the Elora-Salem Urban Centre of the Township of Centre Wellington. In addition, it will permit a range of residential dwelling types and sizes which will provide additional housing choices for existing and future residents within this Urban Centre and the Township by providing family sized units.

The guiding principles of the Growth Plan speak to the achievement of complete communities that meet the needs of residents for daily living. The amendment will allow for the development of townhouses which will ultimately add to the existing housing stock within the Township of Centre Wellington and Wellington County.

The proposed amendment for the Subject Lands is appropriate and represents a practical use for the lands given its compatibility with the surrounding land uses. The proposed amendment will ultimately create a compact, pedestrian oriented community and will not create any negative impacts on adjacent lands. The proposed amendment is consistent with the policies of the Provincial Policy statement, Growth Plan, conforms to the policies for lands within the Urban Centre in the County of Wellington Official Plan and conforms to the Residential policies in the Centre Wellington Official Plan.

Part B – The Amendment

All of this part of the document entitled Part B – The Amendment, consisting of the following text constitutes Amendment No. X to the Township of Centre Wellington Official Plan.

Details of the Amendment

The Official Plan of the Township of Centre Wellington is hereby amended as follows:

1. That Schedule A-1 of the Township of Centre Wellington Official Plan – Elora Land Use Plan is amended by identifying the area illustrated on Schedule 'A' of this Amendment as PA1-15.
2. That Policy PA1-15 is added as follows:

PA1-15 – 350 Wellington Road 7

Notwithstanding Policy D.5.3, back-to-back townhouses, cluster townhouses, and live-work townhouses are permitted as additional uses and building types on the lands municipally known as 350 Wellington Road 7 at grade and above a live-work unit. Furthermore, live-work units within the first 20 metres of Wellington Road 7 shall constitute commercial uses for the purposes of this designation.

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Schedule 'A'

Official Plan Amendment Number X

