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NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETING PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 OF THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O. 1990, AS AMENDED, IN RESPECT TO A PROPOSED CITY-INITIATED AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN

TAKE NOTICE that the City of Barrie has proposed an amendment to the City's Official Plan 2051 (May 2024) and will hold an in-person open house on **Wednesday April 8, 2026**, from **3:30-6:00 p.m.** in the City Hall Rotunda, 1st Floor.

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Affordability Committee of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Barrie will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.** for the city-initiated amendment to the Official Plan 2051 (May 2024) to incorporate lands transferred to the City of Barrie as a result of the *Barrie-Oro-Medonte-Springwater Boundary Adjustment Act, 2025*, and other adjacent lands at City Hall Council Chambers.

THE PURPOSE of the Official Plan Amendment is to incorporate lands brought into the City as of January 1, 2026 as a result of the *Barrie-Oro-Medonte-Springwater Boundary Adjustment Act, 2025*, that were formerly within the Township of Oro-Medonte and Township of Springwater into the City of Barrie's Official Plan. It is proposed that those lands support the City's long term needs for Employment and Community Areas as established through a Joint Land Needs Analysis and Study completed in the fall of 2025. Adjacent lands within the City's current Built Up Area including 418, 428, 436, 444 and 445 Blake Street, 406 and 416 Georgian Drive, 247 and 256 Steel Street and 138 Penetanguishene Road are also proposed for amendment to their designation.

The Official Plan Amendment proposes adding the boundary adjustment lands to the City of Barrie Official Plan schedules and mapping; establishing appropriate Official Plan land use designations for the new lands and adjacent parcels identified and introducing or modifying policies to guide the long-term planning, servicing, and development of the new lands. Consideration has been given with regard to existing uses, adjacent established neighbourhoods, natural areas and the long-term employment needs of the City.

Open House

The open house is being held to provide an early opportunity for affected landowners and members of the public to learn about the City's proposed plans for the transferred lands and provide feedback. No registration is needed for the in-person open house. This is a drop-in session, being held at City Hall, within the 1st Floor Rotunda, located at 70 Collier St., Barrie, ON, L4M 4T5. For additional information about the Boundary Expansion please visit: <https://barrie.ca/boundaryexpansion>

Public Meeting

The public meeting will be held in person at City Hall and virtually with electronic participation. The meeting will be livestreamed on the City of Barrie YouTube Channel <http://youtube.com/citybarrie>.

Any person may attend the meeting and make representation or present submission respecting this matter. If you wish to make a written submission concerning this matter, please email or mail written comments to cityclerks@barrie.ca or City Hall, 70 Collier Street, PO Box 400, Barrie, ON L4M 4T5 (attention: City Clerk). Written comments must be received by **Wednesday April 15, 2026 by 12:00 p.m.**

If you would like to participate virtually, you will need access to a computer with internet service or a telephone. If you wish to provide oral comments at the public meeting, please register in advance by emailing: cityclerks@barrie.ca or calling 705-739-4220 x5500 during regular office hours prior to **Wednesday April 15, 2026 by 12:00 p.m.** Once you register, you will be provided information from the Legislative Services Branch on how to make your submission.

Notification of the approval of the Official Plan Amendment by the City will be provided upon written request to the undersigned

If a person or public body who would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the City of Barrie to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the City of Barrie in respect of the proposed Amendment to the Official Plan before the Corporation of the City of Barrie gives or refuses to give approval of the Amendment to the Official Plan:

- (a) the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of The City of Barrie to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT); and
- (b) the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Information will be made available inclusive of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, updated Official Plan Maps and other supporting documents. All information including studies, presentations, and reports, are considered part of the public record. A complete package is posted

on the City's **Official Plan** webpage at: <https://barrie.ca/OfficialPlan>. A key map of the study area is provided for reference within this notice.

Any person seeking further information or clarification regarding the Official Plan Amendment can contact the undersigned directly:

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KEY MAP OF BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT LANDS

