# **Report to Planning and Environment Committee**

To: Chair and Members

**Planning & Environment Committee** 

From: George Kotsifas, P. Eng.

Managing Director, Development & Compliance Services and

**Chief Building Official** 

Subject: Application By: Sifton Properties Limited

1835 Shore Road

Removal of Holding Provisions (h and h-206)

Meeting on: September 10, 2018

#### Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Senior Planner, Development Services, based on the application by Sifton Properties Limited, relating to lands located at 1835 Shore Road, the proposed by-law <u>attached</u> hereto as Appendix "A" **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on September 18, 2018 to amend Zoning By-law No. Z.-1, (in conformity with the Official Plan), to change the zoning of the subject lands **FROM** a Holding Residential R5/R6 Special Provision (h•h-206•R5-6(10)/R6-5(42)) Zone **TO** a Residential R5/R6 Special Provision (R5-6(10)/R6-5(42)) Zone to remove the h and h-206 holding provisions.

### **Executive Summary**

#### **Purpose and the Effect of Recommended Action**

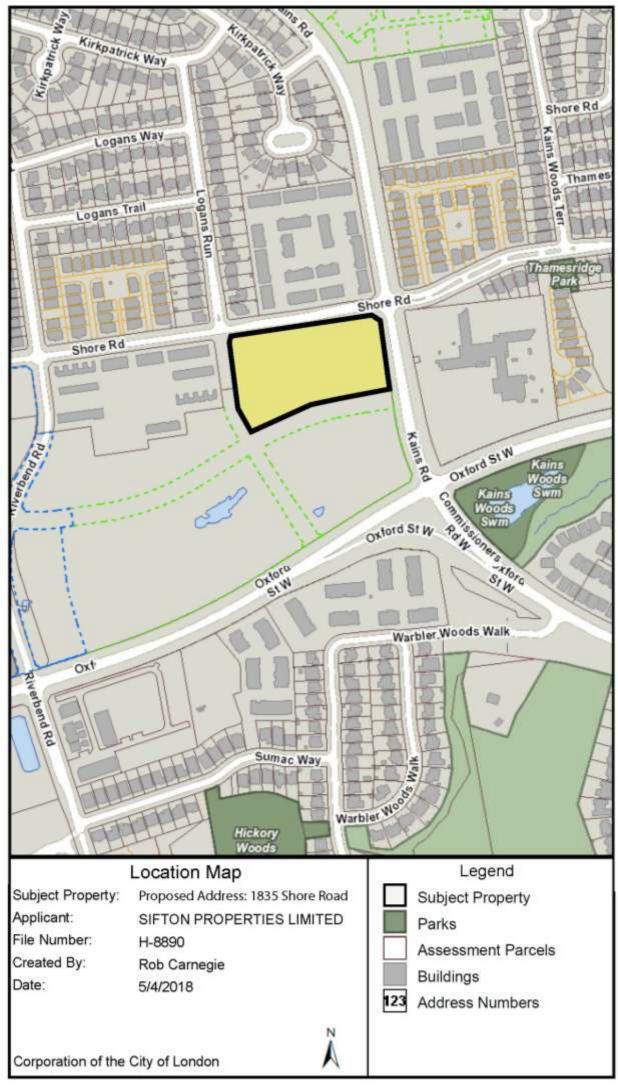
The purpose and effect of this zoning change is to remove the h and h-206 holding symbols to permit the development of 72 residential townhouse dwellings on the subject site.

#### **Rationale of Recommended Action**

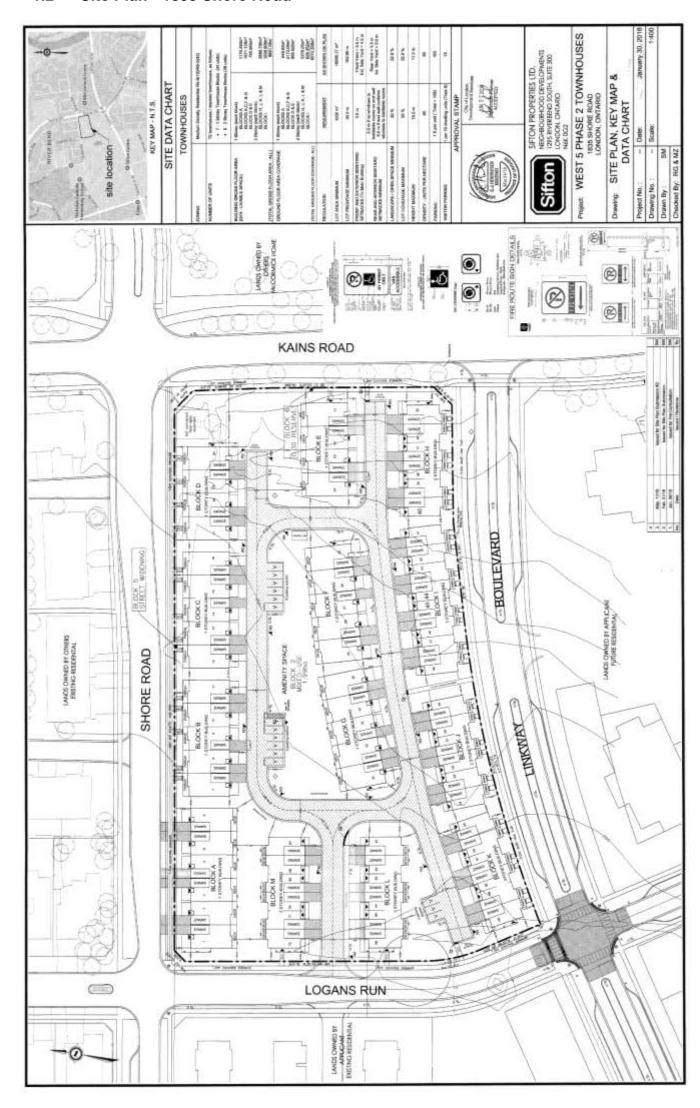
- 1. The conditions for removing the holding (h & h-206) provisions have been met and the recommended amendment will allow development of a proposed 72 unit townhouse development in compliance with the Zoning By-law.
- 2. Performance security has been posted in accordance with City policy, and a Development Agreement has been executed by the applicant and the City.
- 3. As part of the site plan review, the plans and building elevations were reviewed for compliance with the design principles and concepts identified in the West Five Urban Design Guidelines. The plans and building elevations have been accepted and included in the approved Site Plan and Development Agreement.

# Analysis

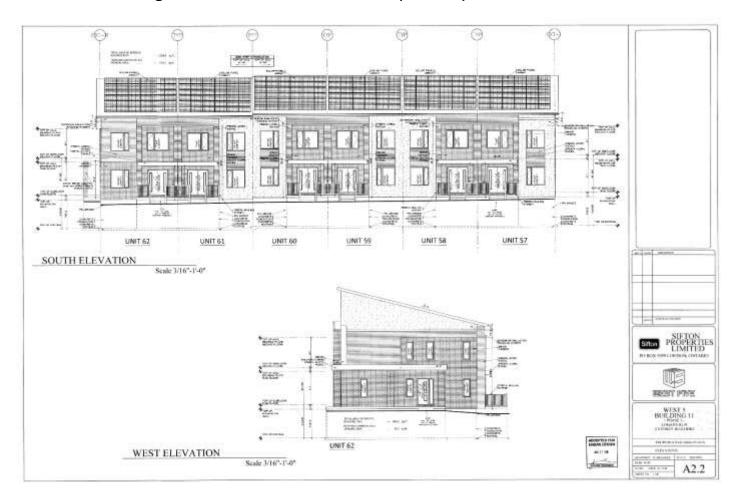
### 1.1 Location Map



### 1.2 Site Plan - 1835 Shore Road



#### 1.3 Building Elevations - 1835 Shore Road (Block K)



# 2.0 Description of Proposal

The removal of the h and h-206 holding provisions from the zoning of the lands to allow for a proposed 72 unit residential townhouse development consisting of a mix of 1-storey (34) and 2-storey (38) dwelling units.

#### 3.0 Revelant Background

#### 3.1 Planning History

On January 8, 2016, the Approval Authority for the City of London approved a draft plan of subdivision consisting of 1 medium density residential block, 3 medium density residential / mixed use blocks, 1 mixed use block, and 1 high density residential / mixed use block, served by 1 primary collector and 2 local streets (File No. 39T-14503/OZ-8410). The total area is approximately 30 hectares and is bounded by Oxford Street West, Westdel Bourne, Shore Road, and Kains Road. This subdivision plan incorporates the future southerly extension of Logans Run to connect with Oxford Street West, and an east-west connector road between Kains Road and Westdel Bourne referred to as Linkway Boulevard.

Sifton Properties Limited "West Five" development is a planned, sustainable, mixed-use community consisting of a range of office, retail, residential and public uses. It is being promoted as a model of "smart" community design incorporating significant renewable energy technologies and initiatives. In conjunction with the draft plan of subdivision, Municipal Council adopted Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments for the proposed West Five lands, including a specific-area policy to guide development of the community vision, mix of land uses, building form, scale and density. Urban design guidelines were also prepared and approved by Council through the adoption of a holding provision in the Zoning By-law.

The purpose and effect of this zoning change is to remove the holding provisions from the zoning on Block 3 of the draft approved plan. An application for site plan approval has been submitted by Sifton Properties Limited for a 72 unit (1 and 2 storey) residential townhouse development.

### 4.0 Key Issues and Considerations

### Have the conditions for removal of the holding (h and h-206) provisions been met?

The purpose of the holding ("h") provision in the zoning by-law is as follows:

"Purpose: To ensure the orderly development of lands and the adequate provision of municipal services, the "h" symbol shall not be deleted until the required security has been provided for the development agreement or subdivision agreement, and Council is satisfied that the conditions of the approval of the plans and drawings for a site plan, or the conditions of the approval of a draft plan of subdivision, will ensure a development agreement or subdivision agreement is executed by the applicant and the City prior to development."

Permitted Interim Uses: Model homes are permitted in accordance with Section 4.5(2) of the By-law.

A Development Agreement was recently executed between Sifton Properties Limited and the City of London. Sifton Properties Limited have also posted security as required by City policy and the Development Agreement. Therefore, the condition has been met for removal of the "h" provision.

The purpose of the holding ("h-206") provision in the zoning by-law is as follows:

"Purpose: To ensure that urban design objectives established through the subdivision review process are being met, a site plan shall be approved and a development agreement shall be entered into which ensures that future development of the lands is in keeping with the design principles and concepts identified in the West Five Urban Design Guidelines, and subject to further refinement through the subdivision Design Studies and/or Site Plan Approval process, to the satisfaction of the City of London prior to the removal of the h-206 symbol."

Permitted Interim Uses: Existing uses

The general intent of the West Five Urban Design Guidelines is to:

- promote architectural and urban design excellence, sustainability, innovation, longevity, and creative expression with visionary design and high-quality materials and places;
- promote harmonious fit and compatibility, emphasizing relationships between buildings, streets and open space;
- create a safe, comfortable, accessible, vibrant, and attractive public realm and pedestrian environment all year round focusing on reducing the use of the car; and,
- ensure high-quality living and working conditions, including access to public space for all building occupants.

The subject development plans and drawings have been reviewed and are generally in keeping with these design principles and with the City's Placemaking Guidelines. The design provides for a strong south facing, east-west building orientation. The roof pitch maximizes exposure to natural sunlight in order to capture solar energy all year round. At the same time, it provides for orientation of front doors and/or front-facing units to Shore Road and Linkway Boulevard, and minimizes the appearance of blank side walls along Logans Run and Kains Road. The building facades incorporate a variety of materials which adds to the visual interest including a combination of brick veneer, prefinished aluminum panels and horizontal siding, glass casement windows, and the use of high-energy efficiency components such as exterior insulation and finishing systems (EIFS) and roof mounted solar panels.

Vehicular ingress and egress will be from Logans Run, with the majority of units having their driveways and garages accessed internally, except for Block 'A' units which will have individual driveway access directly to Shore Road. This maintains continuity of the streetscape to the west where a similar style of solar energy townhouse development is nearing completion. The site has been planned so that there is a strong building orientation and pedestrian connection to all surrounding public streets. In particular, the townhouse blocks adjacent Shore Road and Linkway Boulevard feature units with terrace doors, porches, steps, and a 1.5 metre wide concrete sidewalk providing individual walkway connections to the street. End units along Logans Run and Kains Road will also feature entrances on front facing facades and walkway connections to the street. A centrally located common amenity area is provided along with fifteen (15) additional visitor parking spaces, plus one (1) barrier free parking space, which is above the standard site planning requirement of 1 space per 10 units and is considered sufficient.

As part of the site plan review process, the plans and building elevations were reviewed for compliance with the West Five Urban Design Guidelines by the City's Urban Design and GIS Section. The plans have now been accepted and a Development Agreement has been executed, and securities have been received. Staff is satisfied that the "h-206" symbol can be lifted from the zoning applied to this site.

#### **5.0 Conclusion**

In the opinion of Staff, the holding zone requirements have been satisfied and it is appropriate to proceed to lift the holding ("h" and "h-206") symbols from the zoning applied to this site.

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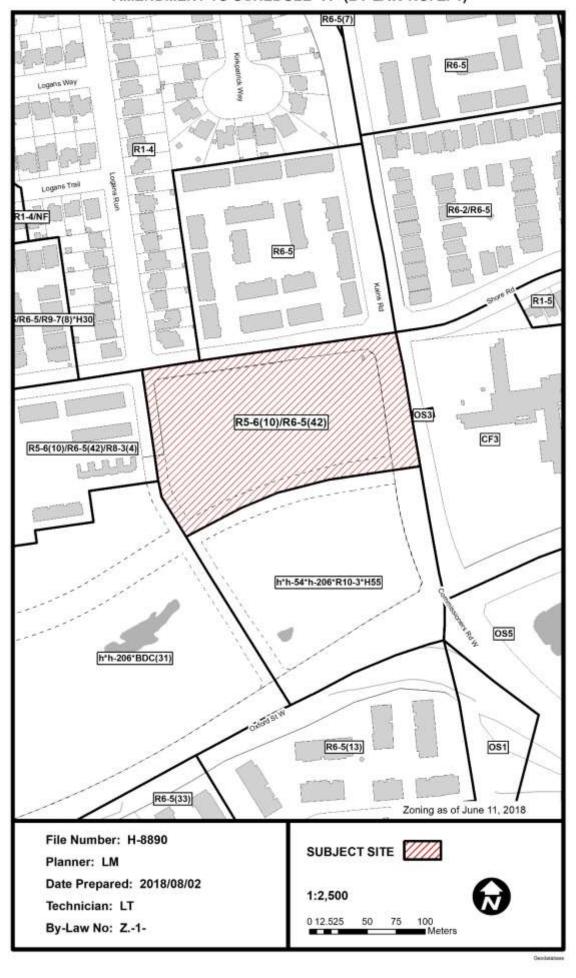
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Appendix	A				
		Bill No. (Number to be inserted by Clerk's Office) 2018			
		By-law No. Z1			
		A by-law to amend By-law No. Z1 to remove holding provisions from the zoning for lands located at 1835 Shore Road.			
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remove the h	Schedule "A" to By-law No. Z1 is amended by changing the zoning to the lands located at 1835 Shore Road, as shown on the attached map, to h and h-206 holding provisions so that the zoning of the lands as a Residential cial Provision (R5-6(10)/R6-5(42)) Zone comes into effect.				
2.	This By-law shall come into force	and effect on the date of passage.			
	PASSED in Open Council on Sep	ptember 18, 2018.			
		Matt Brown Mayor			

Catharine Saunders City Clerk

# AMENDMENT TO SCHEDULE "A" (BY-LAW NO. Z.-1)



### **Appendix B – Public Engagement**

#### **Community Engagement**

**Public liaison:** Notice of the application was published in the *Public Notices and Bidding Opportunities* section of The Londoner on May 17, 2018.

0 replies were received

Nature of Liaison: 1835 Shore Road; located on the south side of Shore Road between Logans Run and Kains Road; comprising Block 3, as shown on the draftapproved plan of subdivision (File No. 39T-14503) - City Council intends to consider removing the Holding ("h" & "h-206") Provisions from the zoning of the subject lands. The purpose and effect is to allow development of 74 (1 and 2 storey) residential townhouse units permitted under the Residential R5/R6 Special Provision (R5-6(10)/R6-5(42)) Zone. The purpose of the "h" provision is to ensure the orderly development of lands and the adequate provision of municipal services. The "h" symbol shall not be deleted until the required security has been provided for the development agreement or subdivision agreement, and Council is satisfied that the conditions of approval of the plans and drawings for a site plan, or the conditions of the approval of a draft plan of subdivision, will ensure a development agreement or subdivision agreement is executed by the applicant and the City prior to development. The "h-206" symbol is intended to ensure that urban design objectives established through the subdivision review process are being met, a site plan shall be approved and a development agreement shall be entered into which ensures that future development is in keeping with the design principles and concepts identified in the West Five Urban Design Guidelines, and subject to further refinement through the subdivision Design Studies and/or Site Plan Approval process, to the satisfaction of the City of London. Council will consider removing the holding provisions as it applies to these lands no earlier than June 26, 2018.

# Appendix C - Relevant Background

### **Existing Zoning Map**

