

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

3.3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING – 1830 Adelaide Street North (1810, 1820, 1840 and 1850 Adelaide Street North (Z-9312)

- Councillor Squire: Alright. Looking for a staff presentation.
- Justin Adema, Manager, Long Range Planning and Research: Good afternoon. This is Justin Adema, Manager of Long Range Planning and Research. Before I get into my presentation I just would like to acknowledge Joanne Lee, who's on the line and she's the Planner on my team who prepared the report and she provided me these notes for the presentation.
- Councillor Squire: Thank you very much. Is the applicant present?
- Catharine Saunders, City Clerk: Yes Mr. Chair the agent, Mr. Kirkness, is in attendance.
- Councillor Squire: Mr. Kirkness. Are you there Mr. Kirkness?
- Laverne Kirkness, SBM: Sorry Mr. Chair and Committee Members it's Laverne Kirkness and I have with me Ali Soufan and Carlos Ramirez from York Developments but we thank you for looking at this application, we thank the staff for bringing forward a supportive recommendation and we would ask that you adopt it and recommend it to Council. I just want to say that this is probably the single largest commercial center in the Stoneybrook-Uplands area at Adelaide and Sunningdale not counting Masonville of course but up in those communities, this is the largest site and it was zoned way back in 2000 and I guess it's difficult to foresee but we kind of think, at least in our experience, it was kind of under zoned in the beginning and we've been trying to make the best of it. We've had to go to the Committee of Adjustment a few times for minor variances, we had a couple of site plan amendments and it's probably frustrating for the community because they keep getting these notices it's frustrating for staff because we keep tinkering with the zoning and matching it up with the market place and of course it's frustrating for us too but this zoning amendment really deals with the last piece to, to allow this commercial center to develop and gives us the zoning to do that, to kind of clean up all that so we've been kind of working with staff to certainly bring this application forth to increase the amount of commercial square footage and to allow one larger store than what was normally intended in the old zoning so I'm, with that, I, I think what this does is recognize the site for what it's worth and that is it's an important community commercial center serving Uplands and Stoneycreek, Stoneybrook, even Grenfell and that and those kind of communities and so we're hoping that the Planning Committee looks favorably upon this and certainly if there are any questions of a planning nature I can try to answer. Any specific questions then Ali and Carlos are here to do that. Thank you.
- Councillor Squire: Thank you. Any technical questions for either staff or the applicant? There being none we will go to the public. Are there any public members present? No?
- Catharine Saunders, City Clerk: Mr Chair I don't have any members of the public; however, I do have someone joined us with the initials "H. P." and I have no idea what item they might be here for. Could I allow them in to make sure it's not this item?
- Councillor Squire: Of course.

- Catherine Saunders, City Clerk: Whoever has joined us with the initials "H. P." you can now speak. Could you please identify yourself and what item you are here for?
- Councillor Squire: We tried. Alright. I just need a motion to close the public participation meeting.