### **Report to Planning and Environment Committee**

To: Chair and Members

**Planning & Environment Committee** 

From: George Kotsifas, P. Eng.

**Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development** 

Subject: Application by Townline Orchard Property Limited

1478 Westdel Bourne

**Removal of Holding Provision** 

Date: November 22, 2021

#### Recommendation

That, on the recommendation of the Director, Planning and Development, based on the application by Townline Orchard Property Limited relating to lands located at 1478 Westdel Bourne, the proposed by-law <u>attached</u> hereto as Appendix "A" **BE INTRODUCED** at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on December 7, 2021 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 R1 (h•R1-4) Zone, a Holding Residential R1 (h•R1-5) Zone, a Holding Residential R6/R8 Special Provision (h•h-54•h-209•R6-5(77)/R8-4(64)) Zone, and a Holding Residential R4/R5/R6/R8 Special Provision (h•h-54•h-209•R4-6(11)/R5-7(9)/R6-5(61)/R8-3(5)) Zone **TO** a Residential R1 (R1-4) Zone, a Residential R1 (R1-5) Zone, a Holding Residential R6/R8 Special Provision (h-54•h-209•R6-5(77)/R8-4(64)) Zone, and a Holding Residential R4/R5/R6/R8 Special Provision (h-54•h-209•R4-6(11)/R5-7(9)/R6-5(61)/R8-3(5)) Zone to remove the holding (h) provision.

# **Executive Summary**

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

The purpose and effect is to remove the standard "h" holding provision to allow development of the single detached lots within the applicant's subdivision to proceed. Holding (h-54 and h-209) provisions applying to the medium density residential blocks will remain in place until such time as conditions specified in the Zoning By-law have been met to remove those holding symbols from the zone map.

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

- 1. The conditions for removing the holding (h) provision have been met and the recommended amendment will allow development of single detached residential dwellings in compliance with the Zoning By-law.
- 2. A Subdivision Agreement has been entered into and securities have been posted as required by City policy and the Subdivision Agreement.

## **Linkage to the Corporate Strategic Plan**

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### **Analysis**

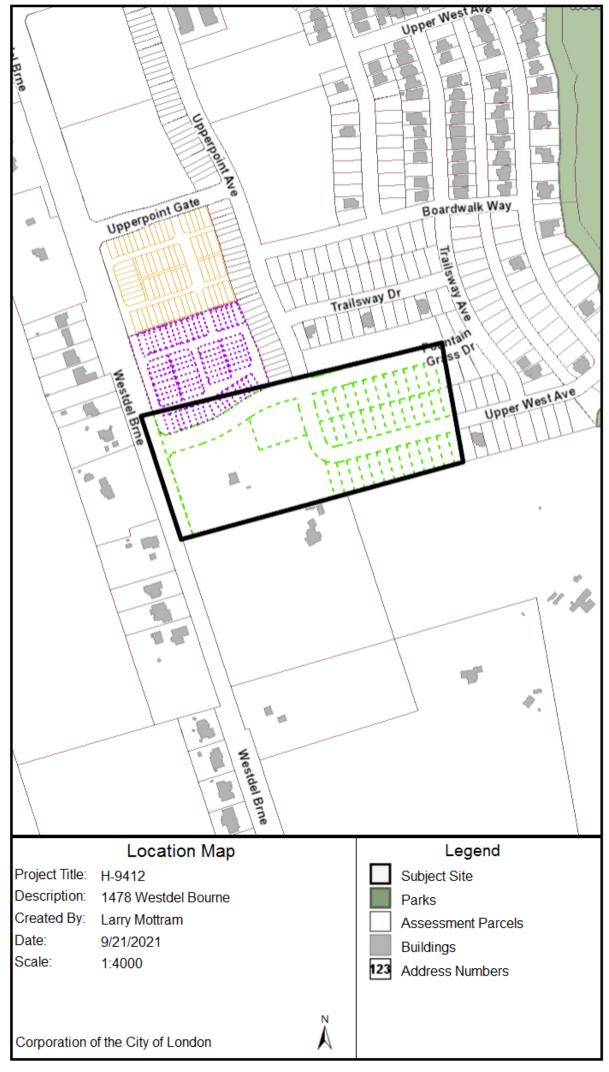
#### 1.0 Background Information

### 1.1 Previous Reports Related to this Matter

October 18, 2021 – Report to Planning and Environment Committee – 1478 Westdel Bourne – Townline Orchard Property Limited - Special Provisions for Subdivision Agreement (File No. 39T-20503).

# 2.0 Discussion and Considerations

# 2.1 Location Map



### 2.2 Description of Proposal

This proposal is for consideration of a request to remove the holding (h) symbol to permit 39 residential lots within the subdivision zoned to permit single detached dwellings to proceed. Other holding (h-54 & h-209) provisions dealing with noise mitigation measures and urban design considerations will continue to be applied to the two (2) medium density residential blocks until such time as the City has approved Site Plans and Development Agreements. Separate applications for removal of holding provisions have been submitted related to specific development proposals for these blocks (File H-9362 – Sifton Properties Limited and File H-9411 – Stantec Consulting c/o Amelia Sloan).

# 2.3 Planning History

On April 28, 2021, the Approval Authority for the City of London issued draft-approval for the plan of subdivision submitted by Townline Orchard Property Ltd. representing the third and final phase of development within the Riverbend South Secondary Planning Area. The draft-approved plan consists of 39 low density residential single detached lots, 2 medium density residential blocks, 1 future development block, 1 park block, 1 road widening block, and 2 reserve blocks, served by 2 new streets being the extensions of Fountain Grass Drive and Upper West Avenue. On April 13, 2021, Municipal Council passed an amendment to the Zoning By-law to apply zoning to the various lots and blocks within the subdivision plan.

#### 2.4 Community Engagement (see more detail in Appendix B)

There were no responses received to the Notice of Application.

### 3.0 Financial Impact/Considerations

Through the completion of the works associated with this application fees, development charges and taxes will be collected. There are no direct financial expenditures associated with this application.

## 4.0 Key Issues and Conclusions

#### 4.1 Have the conditions for removal of the holding (h) provision been met?

Section 36(1) of the Planning Act allows municipalities to place holding provisions on properties to ensure that certain requirements have been addressed to the satisfaction of Council, prior to development. 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 Subdivision Agreement has been executed between Townline Orchard Property Limited (Craig Linton, President) and the City of London. Subdivision securities were also posted as required by City policy and the Subdivision Agreement. Engineering drawings have been completed and accepted by the City for the installation of all services to lots and blocks within this subdivision plan. Therefore, the condition has been met for removal of the h provision.

The purpose and effect of the recommended action is to remove the general 'h" holding provision to allow development of 39 single detached dwellings as permitted under the Residential R1 (R1-4 and R1-5) Zones. With respect to the multi-family, medium density blocks within the subdivision, the zoning on these blocks includes more than one holding provision in addition to the standard "h". These holding provisions will continue to remain in place for now until such time as the conditions specified in the Zoning By-law have been met to remove the holding symbols from the zone map.

# Conclusion

In the opinion of Staff, the holding zone requirements have been satisfied and it is appropriate to proceed to lift the holding symbol from the zoning map.

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Manager, Subdivision Planning

Recommended by: Gregg Barrett, AICP

**Director, Planning and Development** 

Submitted by: George Kotsifas, P. Eng.

**Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic** 

**Development** 

Note: The opinions contained herein are offered by a person or persons qualified to provide expert opinion. Further detail with respect to qualifications can be obtained from Planning and Development.

CC: Matt Feldberg, Manager, Subdivisions and Development Inspections

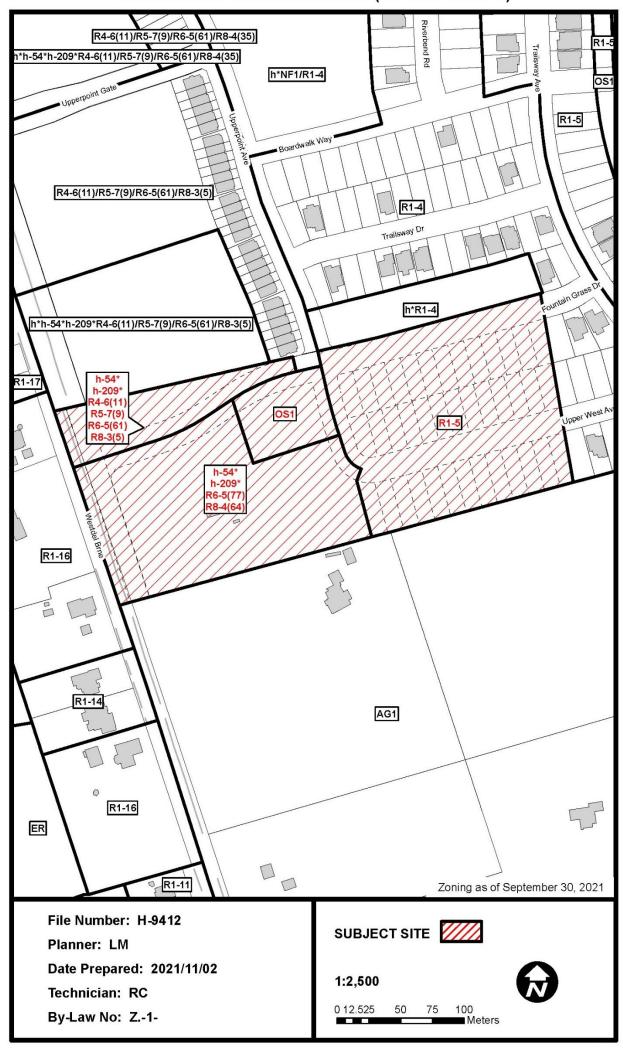
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Appendix .	A	
		Bill No. (Number to be inserted by Clerk's Office) 2021
		By-law No. Z1
		A by-law to amend By-law No. Z1 to remove the holding provision from the zoning for lands located at 1478 Westdel Bourne.
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2.	This By-law shall come into force	and effect on the date of passage.
	PASSED in Open Council on Dec	cember 7, 2021.
		Ed Holder 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 September 30, 2021.

Responses: None

Nature of Liaison: 1478 Westdel Bourne; located on the east side of Westdel Bourne, south of Oxford Street West (identified as Lots 1-39 and Blocks 40, 41 and 42 on a draft-approved plan of subdivision File No. 39T-20503) – City Council intends to consider removing the Holding ("h") Provision from the zoning of the subject lands to allow development of a residential plan of subdivision. 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. Council will consider removing the holding provision as it applies to these lands no earlier than November 16, 2021.

Response to Notice of Application and Publication in "The Londoner"

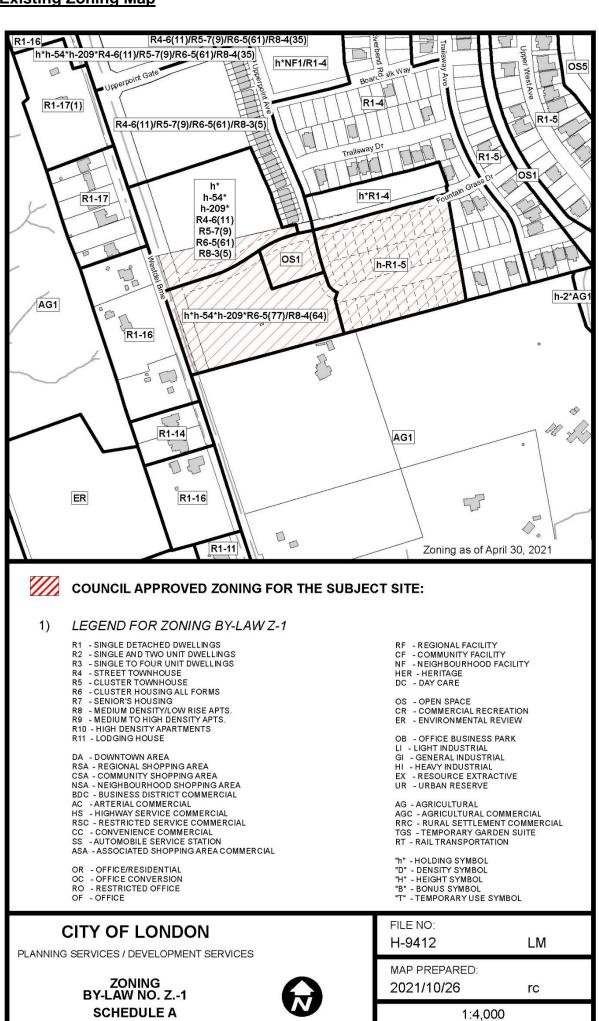
**Telephone:** Written: None None

**Significant Agency/Departmental Comments:** 

None

## Appendix C - Relevant Background

#### **Existing Zoning Map**



THIS MAP IS AN UNOFFICIAL EXTRACT FROM THE ZONING BY-LAW WITH ADDED NOTATIONS

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