

Ottawa's New Official Plan

What to look for

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1. How much growth, by when?

- **Ottawa Next: Beyond 2036**

- Prepare for a city of 2m and region of 2-3 m by end of 21st century
- Position Ottawa-Gatineau within Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal economic corridor

- **Projections to 2046**

- Population, households, jobs



2. Where?

- **Current OP takes us to 2036**

- Urban expansion in 2008 through OPA 76
- No urban expansion through OPA 150
- No urban expansion through OPA 180

- **Intensification targets since OPA 76**

- 2006-10: 36%
- 2011-15: 38%
- 2016-20: 40%
- 2021-25: 42%
- 2026-30: 44%
- 2031-35: 46%

- *Intensification Target Areas:*

- *Central Area*
- *Mainstreets*
- *Mixed-Use Centres*
- *Town Centres*

- *Density targets based on level of transit service*

- *120 – 200 – 500 ppl&jobs/ha*



3. How?

• **Intensification:**

- Build on UDRP for Design Priority Areas and large projects
- Build on Infill I, II; Parking I; and several other zoning moves
- Building Better Infill
- R4 Zone Review
- High-Rise Guidelines & Zoning
- Dwelling Typology Review
- Inclusionary Zoning
- Newly transit-rich areas

• **New Neighbourhoods:**

- Building Better & Smarter Suburbs
- Complete communities
- Transit focus
- Urbanizing the suburbs

*Let's be the most liveable
mid-sized city in North
America*



4. Taking stock

- **Almost 20 years since amalgamation; almost 25 years with existing planning policy framework**
 - What has worked well?
 - What has not?
 - What next steps is our city ready to take?
- **Our next 25 years**
 - How can we build on what we've achieved?
 - Where do we take the City next?
 - What do we leave to the next generation(s)?



Engagement

- Combination of website, social media and community/ stakeholder events
- Targeted engagement with traditionally underrepresented groups

Phase 1: Background Studies

Discussion papers

Staff Prepares Policy Directions

Phase 2: Policy Directions

Approval of Population and Employment Projections

Council approves Policy Directions, directs staff to prepare draft Official Plan

Phase 3: Preparation of New Official Plan

Table draft Official Plan at Planning Committee and Council

Phase 4: Council Adoption and MMAH Approval

Council Adopts new Official Plan

MMAH issues Notice of Approval



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