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**Minutes of Council Meeting
May 13, 2024 6:30 PM**

Town Hall, Council Chambers – 105 Elgin St. W. Arnprior, ON.

Council and Staff Attendance

Council Members Present (In-Person):

Mayor Lisa McGee
County Councillor Dan Lynch
Councillor Lynn Cloutier
Councillor Tom Burnette
Councillor Chris Toner
Councillor Billy Denault

Council Members Present (Electronic):

None

Council Members Absent:

Councillor Chris Couper

Town Staff Present:

Robin Paquette, CAO
Jennifer Morawiec, General Manager Client Services/Treasurer
Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk
Oliver Jacob, Deputy Clerk
John Steckly, General Manager Operations
Ryan Wall, Engineering Officer
Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation
Lucas Power, Program and Events Coordinator
Emily Stovel, Manager of Culture/Curator

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lisa McGee called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called, with all Members of Council being present, except Councillor Chris Couper.

3. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Lisa McGee asked everyone to take a moment to acknowledge and show respect for the Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the land we operate on, by stating:

I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we work, and gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Anishinaabe People. This Algonquin Nation have lived on this land for thousands of years, long before the arrival of the European settlers, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution Number 164-24
Moved by Tom Burnette
Seconded by Billy Denault

Be It Resolved That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council dated Monday, May 13, 2024 be adopted.

Resolution Carried

5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None

6. Question Period

None

7. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution Number 165-24

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Billy Denault

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council listed under Item 7 (a) on the Agenda be adopted (Regular Meeting of Council – April 22, 2024).

Resolution Carried

8. Awards/Delegations/Presentations

a) Summer Recreation Preview – Program and Events Coordinator

The Director of Recreation and Program and Events Coordinator provided a presentation to Council and responded to questions.

9. Public Meetings

a) Town Initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments (Bill 23 and Private Roads)

Resolution Number 166-24 (6:51 pm)

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Billy Denault

That Council move into a public meeting regarding Town Initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments (Bill 23 and Private Roads).

Resolution Carried

The Public Meeting was opened at 6:51 pm. Saide Sayah, Planning Consultant from Fotenn Consulting, provided an overview presentation, attached as Appendix A and forming part of these minutes, outlining the proposed Town Initiated Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments surrounding Bill 23 and Private Roads.

Saide Sayah responded to questions from Members of Council.

Following the overview the floor was opened to the public for comment.

The following individuals provided comment at the meeting:

- Cody Campanale – Campanale Homes
- Stefanie Kaminski – Regional Group

The following represents a summary of the comments/ concerns received:

- The additional dwelling units will lead to more affordable options for people.
- The ability for a developer to have three (3) units into one dwelling unit, will achieve lower rent rates for people.

- Parking should be required for the number of units being provided. Where if you are going to produce three (3) units, you do need to provide three (3) proper parking spaces. As developers we are looking into how to best make this work.
- Private roads can be beneficial and do work in other municipalities across the province, such as Ottawa, Rockland, Kemptville. These roads are owned and operated by the condo or land owner, not the municipality.
- Visitor parking lots are also considered in private road developments, which helps to alleviate the requirements for on-street parking.

Mayor McGee thanked the members of the public in attendance for providing their input. The public meeting was declared closed at 7:18 pm.

Resolution Number 167-24 (7:18 p.m.)

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Billy Denault

That Council resume to the Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution Carried

10. Matter Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

11. Notice of Motions

None

12. Staff Reports

a) Zoning By-law Amendment 1-24 (Temporary Use – 10 William Street) - CAO

Resolution Number 168-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council adopts a by-law to allow for a Zoning By-law Amendment (ZBLA 1/24) for the property known municipally as 10 William Street to rezone the subject property from “Mixed Use Residential/Commercial exception 3 (MU-RC*3)” to “Mixed Use Residential/Commercial exception 3 T2 (MU-RC*3-T2)”.

Resolution Carried

b) Awarding of MacDonald Street Reconstruction Project – Engineering Officer

Resolution Number 169-24

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council award the MacDonald Street Reconstruction Project to Thomas Cavanagh Construction Limited for \$4,480,349.12 (Incl HST); and

That upon the CAO’s approval of the final form of the foregoing documents, Council authorize the CAO to enter into a contract agreement with Thomas Cavanagh Construction Limited; and

That Council award the contract for contract administration and inspection services for the MacDonald Street Reconstruction Project to JP2G Consultants Inc per the fee proposal dated May 2, 2024, in the amount of \$179,421.41 (Incl HST); and

That upon the CAO's approval of the final form of the foregoing documents, Council authorize the CAO to enter into a contract agreement with JP2G Consultants Inc.

Resolution Lost

Discussion ensued among Members of Council, resulting in the following:

Resolution Number 170-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council direct staff to bring back additional information on a revised estimate and contract for the MacDonald Street Reconstruction Project, using concrete in place of PVC materials for the sanitary sewer, for the full scope of work.

Resolution Carried

c) Proclamation for Seniors Month (June 2024) – Town Clerk

Resolution Number 171-24

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council proclaim June 2024 as Seniors Month in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Town Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas Seniors Month is an annual province-wide celebration to recognize the considerate contributions that seniors have made to the life and vibrancy of our community and;

Whereas seniors continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and important and active members of this community and;

Whereas their contributions past and present warrant appreciation and recognition and their stories deserve to be told and;

Whereas the health and well-being of seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the health and well-being of the community as a whole and;

Whereas seniors are the fastest growing population segment across Canada and a significant number of Arnprior seniors are leading healthy and active lives and;

Whereas the Town of Arnprior's Recreation Department and Seniors Active Living Centre (SALC) provide regular age-friendly programming for local seniors.

Now Therefore, I, Lisa McGee, Mayor of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim June 2024 as Seniors Month in the Town of Arnprior and encourage all citizens to recognize and

celebrate the accomplishments of our seniors.

d) Proclamation for Parks and Recreation Month (June 2024) – Town Clerk

Resolution Number 172-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Billy Denault

That Council proclaim June 2024 as Parks and Recreation Month in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Town Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas, in the Town of Arnprior, we are fortunate to have a variety of recreation and parks systems providing countless recreational opportunities for residents and visitors from around the world; and

Whereas recreation enhances quality of life, balanced living and lifelong learning; helps people live happier and longer; develops skills and positive self-image in children and youth; develops creativity; and builds healthy bodies and positive lifestyles; and

Whereas recreational participation builds family unity and social capital; strengthens volunteer and community development; enhances social interaction; creates community pride and vitality; and promotes sensitivity and understanding to cultural diversity; and

Whereas parks, open space and trails provide active and passive outdoor recreation opportunities, help maintain clean air and water; and promotes stewardship of the natural environment; and

Whereas, recreation, therapeutic recreation and leisure education are essential to the rehabilitation of individuals who have become ill or disabled, or disadvantaged, or who have demonstrated anti-social behavior; and

Whereas the benefits provided by recreation programs, services and parks, and open space, reduce healthcare and social service costs; serve to boost the economy, economic renewal and sustainability; enhance property values; attract new business; increase tourism; and curb employee absenteeism; and

Whereas the Town of Arnprior is hosting numerous opportunities for our community to engage in sport and physical activity, sponsored by [ParticipACTION's Community Better Challenge](#); and

Whereas these opportunities include new activities and games at the 2024 Priorpalooza Music Festival, a Multi-Sport Day at Arnprior High School, PaddleFest, and the School's Out Beach Party. These events will provide a wide range of activities accessible to everyone in our community.

Now Therefore, I, Lisa McGee, Mayor of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim June 2024 as Parks and Recreation Month in the Town of Arnprior and encourage all citizens to recognize the benefits and values of Recreation and Parks in Arnprior and participate in the many activities taking place this month and throughout the year.

e) Proclamation for Pride Month (June 2024) – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 173-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council proclaim June 2024 as Pride Month in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas June is recognized in Canada as Pride Month, a time to celebrate the contributions of persons from the 2SLGBTQ+ community, and increase efforts to build awareness; and,

Whereas the Progress Pride flag is an important symbol of hope and acceptance for 2SLGBTQ+ youth and adults who continue to face stigma, discrimination, isolation and bullying in their home, workplaces and community spaces, simply for being who they are; and,

Whereas this stigma and discrimination puts 2SLGBTQ+ individuals at elevated risk of mental-health issues, substance abuse, homelessness and suicide; and,

Whereas the Town of Arnprior acknowledges and celebrates the contributions of the 2SLGBTQ+ community to the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of all Ontarians; and,

Whereas during Pride Month, we can all reflect on the progress made to recognize and protect the rights of 2SLGBTQ+ communities, and the work that still needs to be done; and,

Whereas flying the rainbow flag at Town Hall during the first week of June 2024 symbolizes the Town's celebration of diversity and support for the 2SLGBTQ+ community;

Now Therefore, I, Lisa McGee, Mayor of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim June 2024 as Pride Month in the Town of Arnprior and encourage all citizens to think about what steps we can collectively take to make our community a safe and inclusive place for all, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

f) Proclamation for the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (May 17, 2024) – Deputy Clerk

Resolution Number 174-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier
Seconded by Chris Toner

That Council proclaim May 17th, 2024 as the International Day against Homophobia and Transphobia in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

The Deputy Clerk read the proclamation:

Whereas the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Ontario Human Rights Code recognizes that no one can be discriminated against on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity or expression;

Whereas Ontario is a society open to everyone, including lesbian, gay, bisexual and transpeople (2SLGBTQ+) and to all other people who identify with sexual diversity and the multiplicity of gender identities and expressions;

Whereas, despite recent efforts towards greater inclusion of 2SLGBTQ+ people, homophobia and transphobia are still present in modern society;

Whereas May 17th is the International Day against Homophobia and Transphobia, and the date is recognized as such in many countries;

Now Therefore, I, Lisa McGee, Mayor of Arnprior, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2024 as the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia in the Town of Arnprior, and encourage all residents to act to address homophobia and transphobia when they see it while also recognizing the many contributions that 2SLGBTQ+ peoples make to bolster our local community every day.

13. Committee Reports and Minutes

a) Mayor's Report

Mayor Lisa McGee reported the following:

- I attended the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) Breakfast a couple weeks ago. It was a great event, and a pleasure to meet with OFA Executive Members and nearby communities to discuss the important concerns that the farming community is experiencing. One statistic that was shared is that in Ontario alone we lose 300 acres of farm land every single day. It is certainly tough to balance the need to increase housing opportunities and also feed our growing population. One thing that was agreed to by all is that despite the new technologies involved with farming, makes the job somewhat easier, farming still presents many challenges that were never faced in the past.
- I attended a Physician Recruitment Event – Doctor's Dining Dual – hosted at the Nick Smith Centre. It was a great event, for a great cause.
- A beautiful ceremony took place for Glenn Arthur to be laid to rest in Admaston-Bromley, with a lovely ceremony.

- It was a privilege to cut the ribbon at the grand opening of Ottawa Valley Air Paddle. Owners Lana Cole and Scott Fawcett have done a wonderful job at setting up this new retail space.
- The first Renfrew Police Services Board Meeting took place last week. Chair and Vice-Chair's were elected as well as two community members. These community members still need to be ratified by each of the seven Council's participating in this Board. There are seven municipalities who make up this Board, being:
 - Town of Arnprior
 - Town of Renfrew
 - Township of McNab/Braeside
 - Township of Greater Madawaska
 - Township of Admaston Bromley
 - Township of Horton
 - Township of Whitewater Region
- I enjoyed a spectacular event at Farmgate Cider, which was a collaborative event put on by Bee Savvy Fine Foods and Farm Gate Cider. This event was sold out and had many amazing performances throughout the evening.
- I had a catch up coffee meeting with Dustin and Donovan from Arnprior Packers recently. We discussed their season, hopes for the future at Nick Smith Centre as well as some of the community events that they are undertaking, such as a Golf Tournament that will be taking place on July 6th.
- This past Sunday I delivered greetings on behalf of Council at the Lions Club Annual Walk for Dog Guides. Many community partners were there to support the event. Many dogs and their owners were also present and excited to participate.

b) County Councillor's Report

County Councillor Lynch reported the following from the County of Renfrew:

- County Council Meeting –April 24, 2024
 - Two Delegations:
 - a) Ann Pohl, Spokesperson, Kitchissippi-Ottawa Valley (KOV) Chapter – Council of Canadians - Climate Action Petition in recognition of International Earth Day.
 - b) Jason St-Pierre, Chief Executive Officer and Lisa Severson, Director of Communications, Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) - Renfrew County EORN Update
 - 25 Uplifts - 25 Completed
 - 47 New Towers - 4 Completed
 - 10 Co-location - 7 Completed
 - All to be completed by 2026.
- Food Affordability Report by the Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU). This report identifies that nearly one in six (17%) households in Renfrew County are food insecure.
- Ontario Budget The 2024 Ontario Budget entitled 'Building a Better Ontario'. Items relevant to the County of Renfrew Long Term Care Homes operation are:

- Level of Care Province is providing a 6.6% (\$353M) increase to the Level of Care (LoC) funding for 2024-25.
- Pharmacy Funding and Medication Safety Technology Program (MSTP) will remain at \$1500 annually per bed this year and the Medication Safety Technology Program will continue for 2024/25.
- Health Human Resources Four Hours of Care - Homes will receive the following amount:
 - Nurse and Personal Support Worker (PSW) Staffing Supplement: \$1,822.02 per bed, per month.
 - Allied Health Professional (AHP) Staffing Supplement: \$161.35 per bed, per month.
 - The funding will continue beyond 2024/25 and become base funding. The funding policy includes the projected allocations for 2025/25:
- Ottawa Valley Tourism Conference Tourism Awards:
 - Tourism Champion: Ron Moss, Ottawa Valley Cycling and Active Transportation Alliance (Laurentian Valley)
 - Business/Organization of the Year: Somewhere Inn Calabogie (Greater Madawaska)
 - Event of the Year: Pembroke Regional Silver Stick Tournament
 - Sustainability Champion: Anupaya Cabin Co. (Deep River)
 - New Tourism Product: Ottawa Valley Farm to Fork (Bonnechere Valley)
 - Tourism Marketing: Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization (Whitewater Region).
- Pembroke Approves Implementation of Municipal Accommodation Tax of a 4% Municipal Accommodation Tax that will be applied to all roofed and non-roofed transient accommodations for overnight stays of 30 days or less with a proposed implementation date of January 1, 2025. The City of Pembroke also identified the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association (OVTA) as the eligible tourism entity to receive 50% of the collected funds.
- Increased Program Funding to Small Business Enterprise Centres. Staff have received confirmation from MEDJCT that the County of Renfrew will be receiving an additional \$50,000 in funding. This additional funding means increased grant allocations to the Starter Company Plus and Summer Company programs.
- On 20 March, a very successful Mesa stakeholder engagement session was held at the Carefor Centre in Pembroke. The aim of the session was to exchange information on services and obtain feedback from stakeholders on strategies to better meet the needs of individuals experiencing mental health, addictions, and homelessness. As a result, another meeting is scheduled for May 22nd.
- Inclusive Community Grants Applications are now being accepted until May 22, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. ET. The program provides up to \$60,000 in grant funding to eligible applicants for projects that:
 - Increase the accessibility of outdoor spaces

by making improvements to the built environment to create equitable access to community resources.

- New Ottawa Valley Tourist Association (OVTA) Board Elected.
 - Councillor Chris Toner noted that Emily Stovel is on the Board of Directors for the Town of Arnprior and is in her 2nd year of her 3-year term.
- Baskin Drive Subdivision (47T-19004) – On 29 April 2024 the Plan of subdivision received final approval which will create an additional 24 row-house units and 64 apartment units.
- The County of Renfrew Operations Committee recommended that Contract PWC-2024-01 as submitted by Bonnechere Excavating Inc., Renfrew, Ontario, be approved for the rehabilitation of County Road 1 (River Road), from Poole Street to Dochart Street at a cost of \$1,564,525.20, plus applicable taxes.

c) Committee Reports and Minutes

None

14. Correspondence & Petitions

a) Correspondence Package – I-24-May-09

Resolution Number 175-24

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That the Correspondence Package Number I-24-MAY-09 be received as information and filed accordingly.

Resolution Carried

County Councillor Lynch noted the following items:

- Page 3 – The Ontario government is investing \$5 million through the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant to help communities and organizations purchase critical supplies, equipment and deliver training and services.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch the CAO noted that staff had applied for this funding and we were unsuccessful.
- Page 4 – On May 7-9, 2024, the province hosted an “Exercise Heatwave” that simulated heat related emergencies taking place with municipalities.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch the CAO noted that staff at the Town of Arnprior were not invited to be a part of this exercise, and only 6 municipalities from the province were included. Our Emergency Plan does include heat related emergencies.
- Page 8 – The Mayor spoke to this at last Council meeting. The Ontario government is investing up to \$200 million over three years to support Ontario’s growing communities with new and revitalized local sport and recreation facilities. More information about eligibility and application guidelines will be provided in Summer 2024.

- Page 15 – Attention to residents who have family Doctors. In in order to save valuable Doctor’s time you may be asked that if artificial intelligence could be used to automatically summarise or transcribe your conversations.
- Page 20 – A new regulation under the Building Ontario Businesses Initiative Act, 2022 (BOBIA) dealing with lowering the threshold of contracts will give our local businesses more opportunities to compete for procurement contracts from public sector entities like hospitals, school boards and universities.
- Page 24 – The Ontario government is investing \$2.75 million over two years to increase access to comfortable and dignified end-of-life care close to home for families in the Ottawa region. There will be eight new hospice beds at Hospice Care Ottawa’s La Maison de l’Est, and two new pediatric hospice beds at Roger Neilson Children’s Hospice.
- Page 29 – The Ontario government is providing \$2.4 million this year through the Ontario Cultural Attractions Fund (OCAF) to support cultural tourism in communities.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch the CAO noted that staff have reviewed the guidelines for this loan program and did not find our tourism activities currently meet the criteria.
- Page 41 – Good news for owner’s of electric cars. The Ontario’s Minister of Energy, Todd Smith, has asked the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to explore options for an Electric Vehicle Charger Discount Electricity Rate.
- Page 82 – Renfrew County and District Health Unit has put out a Medical Release dealing with “Know the Risks and How to Prevent Blacklegged Tick Bites”.
- Page 93 – Provincial Matters 211 is a public enquiry line available in Ontario every day and in times of emergency. As part of Emergency Preparedness Week, free print materials are available to municipalities for use during Emergency Preparedness Week, or for displays any time of year.
 - In response to County Councillor Lynch the CAO noted that staff will certainly be looking into requesting this resource.

b) Correspondence Package – A-24-MAY-07

Resolution Number 176-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Billy Denault

That the Correspondence Package Number A-24-MAY-07 be received as information, and the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council’s consideration.

Resolution Carried

15. By-laws & Resolutions

a) By-laws

Resolution Number 177-24

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Billy Denault

That the following by-laws be deferred until further information can be provided by staff for the MacDonald Street Reconstruction Project:

- ii) By-Law No. 7486-24 – Award Tender No. PW-2024-06 (MacDonald Street Reconstruction)
- iii) By-Law No. 7487-24 – Adopt 2024 Final Tax Rates

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 178-24

Moved by Billy Denault

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the following by-laws be and are hereby enacted and passed:

- i. By-Law No. 7485-24 – Zoning By-law Amendment No. 1-24 (Temporary Use – 10 William Street)
- iv. By-Law No. 7488-24 – Robert Simpson Park Canteen Lease Agreement

Resolution Carried

b) Resolutions

i. **Municipal Grants Application – Arnprior Optimistic Women’s Club (Trivia Night)**

Resolution Number 179-24

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Lynn Cloutier

That Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior receive the Municipal Grant request from the Arnprior Optimistic Women’s Club; and

Whereas the Arnprior Optimistic Women’s Club is an eligible organization under the Municipal Grants Policy and raises funds that are donated towards local initiatives supporting children, youth and their families;

Whereas the Arnprior Optimistic Women’s Club hosted a Trivia Night event at the Nick Smith Centre on Friday, May 10th, 2024 starting at 6:00 PM; and

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council approve the request for in-kind support through the waiving of fees for the rental of the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall (\$460.00) for the Trivia Night Event that took place on Friday, May 10th, 2024;

Further That the Arnprior Optimistic Women’s Club be advised that it is mandatory to carry sufficient liability insurance and have the Town of Arnprior added as an additional insured for the event.

Resolution Carried

ii. PXO Installation – Baskin Drive and Leo Moskos Street

Resolution Number 180-24

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Lynn Cloutier

Whereas Section 11 of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25* as amended authorizes municipalities to pass by-laws pertaining to the public assets and highways of the municipality; and

Whereas the County of Renfrew has adopted Policy No. PW-14 (Pedestrian Crossings and Hiking Trail Crossings on County Roads) which designates a process through which lower-tier municipalities may request the installation of pedestrian crossings on County roads within their jurisdiction; and

Whereas the County of Renfrew requires a resolution of support from the Council of the municipality making the request which includes the Town's agreement to pay for the installation and future replacement of the pedestrian cross-over (PXO) and to support the annual pavement markings for each PXO crossing, with the County of Renfrew being responsible for the annual operation, maintenance and signage of the PXO once installed; and

Whereas the 2024 operating budget authorized by Council on February 12, 2024 including funding to support the installation of the pedestrian cross-over (PXO); and

Whereas the Site Plan Agreement with the Conseil des Ecoles Catholiques de Centre-Est (CECCE) included provision for \$10,000 contribution to the future installation of a pedestrian cross-over (PXO) at Baskin Drive and Leo Moskos Street.

Therefore Be It Resolved That Council direct staff to apply to the County of Renfrew for the installation of a pedestrian cross-over (PXO) at the intersection of Baskin Drive and Leo Moskos Street.

Resolution Carried

16. Announcements

Councillor Chris Toner made the following announcement:

- As a last duty as the Councillor of the previous Museum Board, I was finally able to organize a tour of the old Boeing and Arnprior Aerospace buildings with the Manager of Culture/Museum Curator. We toured the site looking for artefacts and learning about the various things that occurred in this facility over the years, to ensure that items and history of this facility does not get lost when the plant gets sold. There are a lot of very good artefacts, one item being a time capsule in the wall that is due to be open in the late 2020s. Part of the stipulation for this time capsule, after the plant is sold, will be that the opening of the time capsule be under the guidance of the Museum when it is to take place. The company was able to provide some of the long-time history of this establishment.

County Councillor Dan Lynch made the following announcements:

- The Arnprior & District Museum is hosting a Speaker Series from 2-4 pm at the Museum on May 25, 2024.
- The Arnprior Airport is hosting a Fly in Breakfast from 8-12 am on June 15, 2024.
- From 10am – 4pm on June 22nd, the Valley Diversity Emporium will be hosting an event at the Nick Smith Centre.
- Lorenzo's Pizza has now opened in Downtown Arnprior as a collaboration with Rocky Mountain House.
- There is a new food truck on Daniel Street that may be opening soon.

17. Media Questions

None

18. Closed Session

Resolution Number 181-24 (8:27 pm)

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Billy Denault

That Council move into Closed Session regarding:

- Three (3) matters pursuant to Section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (Commemorative Naming, Audit Update and OPP Detachment Board Appointments)
- One (1) matter pursuant to Section 239 (2) (b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and Section 239 (2) (f) concerning advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (Airport)
- One (1) matter pursuant to Section 239 (2) (c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Land Acquisition)

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 182-24 (9:41 pm)

Moved by Dan Lynch

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council resume to Open Session.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 183-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That Council direct staff to make a formal request to the County of Renfrew to initiate a road widening along Madawaska Blvd between the Arnprior-Nepean Railway and Decosta Street for the purposes of extending a multi-use pathway, to be funded at a 50/50 cost share arrangement between the County of Renfrew and the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 184-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Billy Denault

That Council direct staff to proceed with the commemorative naming applications submitted for future street names.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 185-24

Moved by Chris Toner

Seconded by Billy Denault

That Council of the Town of Arnprior endorse the two Community Member Representatives as recommended by the Renfrew Police Services OPP Detachment Board, and that an appointment by-law be brought forward for final adoption.

Resolution Carried

Resolution Number 186-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Tom Burnette

That Council direct staff to proceed as directed in Closed Session regarding the Audit Update and Airport.

Resolution Carried

19. Confirmatory By-Law

Resolution Number 187-24

Moved by Tom Burnette

Seconded by Dan Lynch

That By-law No. 7489-24 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on May 13, 2024 and it is hereby enacted and passed.

Resolution Carried

20. Adjournment

Resolution Number 188-24

Moved by Lynn Cloutier

Seconded by Chris Toner

That this meeting of Council be adjourned at 9:43 pm.

Resolution Carried

Signatures



Lisa McGee, Mayor



Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk

FOTENN



Bill 23 – Recommended Official Plan & Zoning By-Law Amendments

Town of Arnprior

May 13th 2024

Context – Bill 23

- / In November 2022, the Provincial Government passed Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, which is part of Ontario’s Housing Supply Action Plan and aims to support the province’s goal to add 1.5 million new homes in Ontario by 2031

- / An prior relevant changes to the Planning Act included:
 - / Additional Residential Unit Requirements
 - / Timelines for Updating of Zoning By-Laws
 - / Development Subject to Site Plan Control
 - / Limits on Scope of Site Plan Control Review
 - / Parkland Conveyance Changes
 - / Minor Variance and Consent Third Party Appeal Rights Removal
 - / Permitting Conveyance of Land in a Land Lease Community
 - / Subdivision Approval – Removal of Public Meetings

- / The provincial government introduced its fifth bill to address the province’s housing crisis since December 2023. Bill 185’s Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024 (“Bill 185”) was introduced into the legislature on April 10, 2024.

Context – Bill 23 – Planning Act Changes

/ Additional Residential Units

- / Required to permit 2 residential units in a detached, semi-detached or townhouse dwelling, and 1 additional residential unit in an accessory building
- / Required to permit 3 residential units in a detached, semi-detached or townhouse dwelling where there are no dwelling units in an accessory building
- / A maximum of 1 parking space can be required per residential unit
- / No minimum unit size can be imposed
- / Any current official plan policy that contravenes the changes is of no effect
- / No appeal of additional residential unit policies

/ Timelines for Updating of Zoning By-Laws

- / Within 1 year of passing an official plan amendment to include the required policies under the Act, all zoning by-laws must be updated

/ Development Subject to Site Plan Control

- / Cannot apply to residential developments of 10 or less units
- / Land lease community homes included

Context – Bill 23 – Planning Act Changes

- / Limits on Scope of Site Plan Control Review
 - / Limits review of building construction to environmental standards
 - / Limits exterior building design review to consideration of exterior access to an affordable housing development
 - / Limits review of appearance of elements, facilities and works on the land or road, unless it impacts matters of health, safety, accessibility, sustainable design or the protection of adjoining lands
 - / Limitations on requirements to widen highways

- / Parkland Conveyance Changes
 - / Reduces the amount of parkland conveyance required for affordable or attainable housing developments
 - / Removal of parkland conveyance requirements for non-profit housing developments
 - / Clarification of when the amount of land or cash-in-lieu of parkland is to be determined
 - / Changes to type of parkland that is able to be conveyed
 - / Requirement for 60% of all cash-in-lieu funds to be allocated or spent at the beginning of each year

Context – Bill 23 – Planning Act Changes

- / Minor Variance and Consent Third Party Appeal Rights Removal
 - / Residents can no longer appeal minor variance or consent decisions unless they are the applicant
 - / Decisions can only be appealed by applicant, Minister, specified person or public body

- / Subdivision Approval – Removal of Public Meetings
 - / Public meetings no longer required prior to a decision being made on a draft plan approval of a subdivision

Bill 185 – Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, Introduced April 10th 2024

- / Site plans and draft plan of subdivisions must include “use it or lose it” lapsing provisions instead of being previously discretionary.
- / Imposes a 3-year time limit to register any draft plans of subdivision approved before March 27, 1995.
- / Revokes earlier legislative efforts (Bill 109) to impose mandatory fee refunds for official plan amendments, zoning by-law amendments, site plans, and plans of subdivision
- / Applicants have the discretion to seek a pre-consultation with the relevant municipality but municipalities can no longer require a pre-consultation by passing a by-law
- / Minister will receive authority to make regulations for additional dwelling units
- / The method for calculating a development charges by-law will now include costs for capital costs and any corresponding background study.

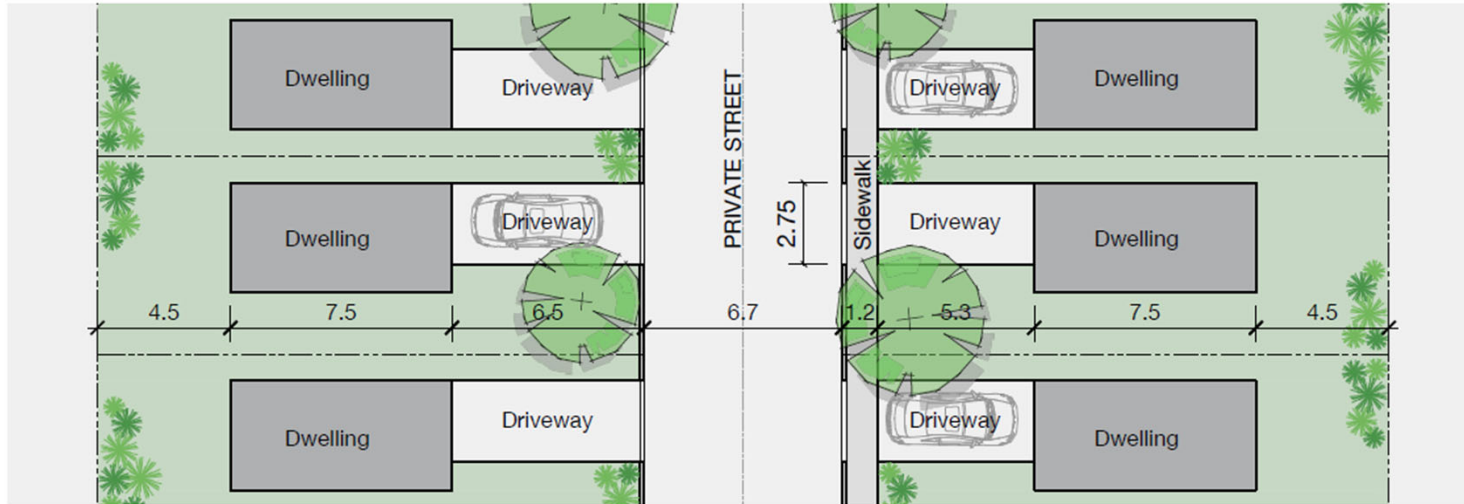
Private Road/Street Policies

- / The current Official Plan does not include policies specific to the creation of a private road/street
- / The current Zoning By-Law defines Private Street as:
 - / **Street, Private** means a private right-of-way that is used by *motor vehicles* but is not owned by the *Corporation* or any other *public authority*.
- / The Zoning By-Law does not include provisions for the creation of private roads nor provisions that require minimum setbacks to private roads
- / It is common for condominium developments to include private roads within their projects as common elements
- / Minimum setbacks to private roads are essential to address land use compatibility and safety concerns

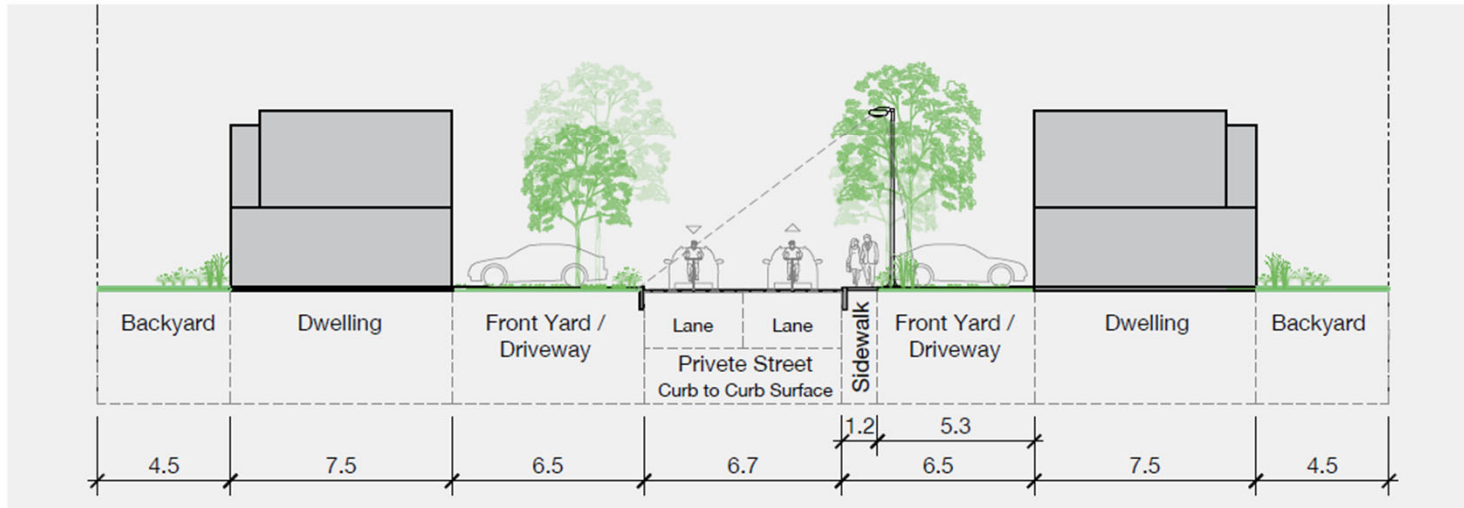
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EXAMPLE 01

PRIVATE STREET = 6.7m / SETBACK = 6.5m



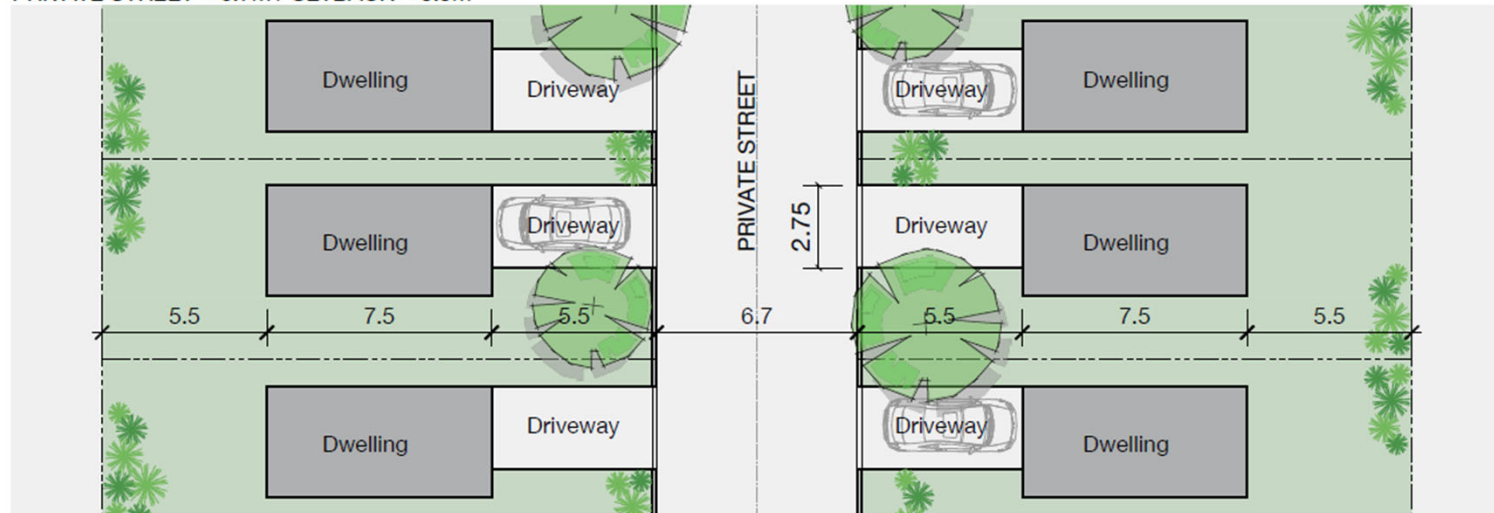
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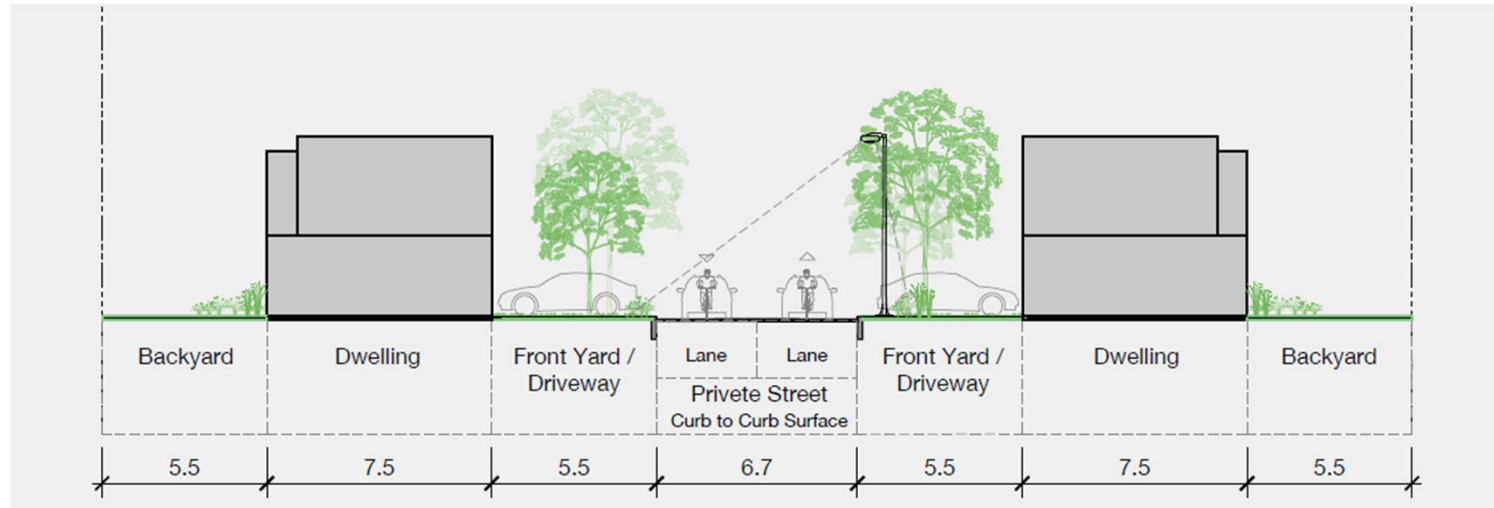
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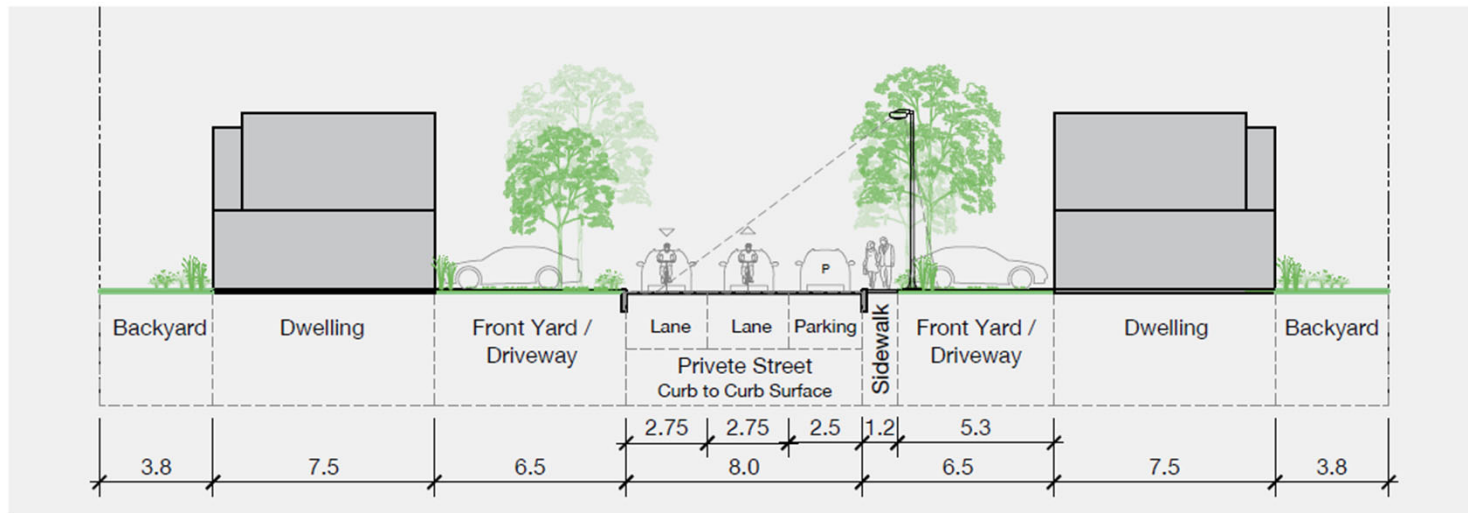
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EXAMPLE 03

PRIVATE STREET = 8m / SETBACK = 6.5m



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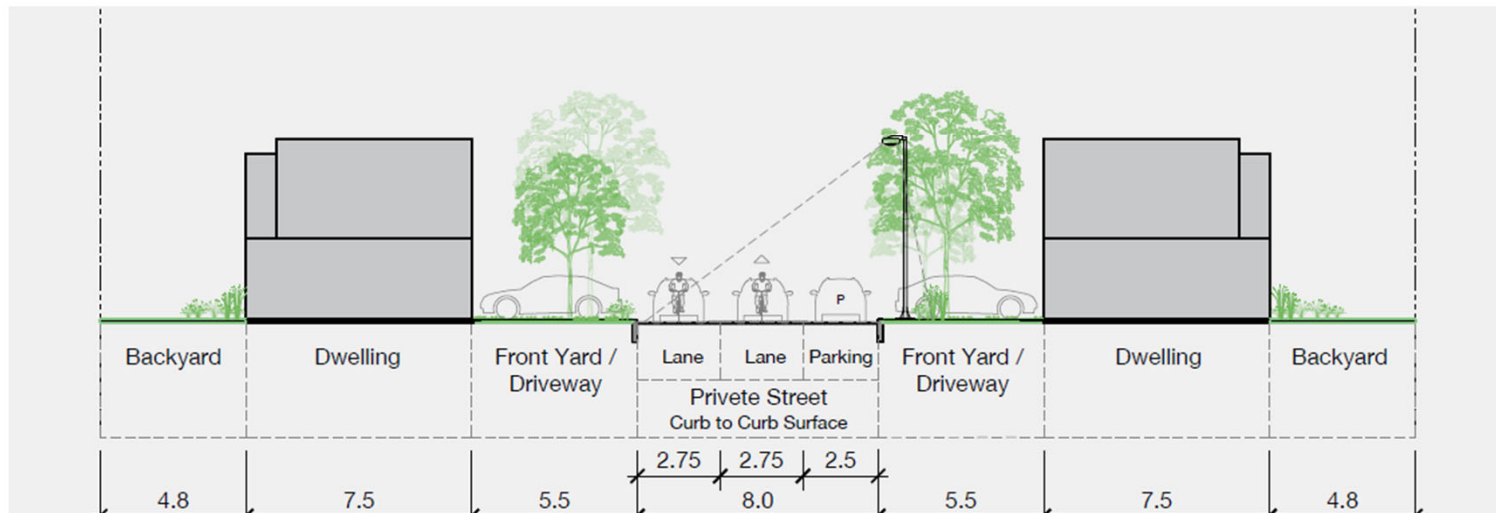
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EXAMPLE 04

PRIVATE STREET = 8m / SETBACK = 5.5m



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Proposed Official Plan Amendments

/ B9 Housing Policies

- / B9.1 c) - Replace “secondary suites” with “additional dwelling units”
- / B9.3 – Rename and revise section to reflect “additional dwelling units”

/ B9.4 Affordable Housing

- / Reconsider affordable housing targets (currently at 15% for projects that consist of 25+ units)

/ C1 Established Residential Area

- / C1.2 – Revise section to permit a transition to higher density developments
- / C1.3 – Revise list of permitted uses to permit additional dwelling units
- / C1.4.1 – Revise modest residential development provisions
- / C1.4.2 – Revise creation of new lots to allow for higher density residential developments
- / C1.4.3 – Revise Site Plan Control design provisions
- / C1.4.4 – Revise existing 2 storey height maximum due to resulting outcome which restricts creation of additional residential units

/ C2 Low/Medium Density Residential Area

- / C2.3 – Revise list of permitted uses to permit additional dwelling units
- / C2.4.1 – Remove *Permitted Housing Mix* section which notes predominate form of housing to be single detached dwellings for new developments
- / C2.4.2 – Revise Integration of Different Housing Types section to reflect removal of permitted housing mix section
- / C2.6 – Revise *Need for a Comprehensive Development Plan* section to remove restrictions related to development of a variety of housing types

Proposed Official Plan Amendments

- / E1.2 Conditions of Approval and Agreements & E1.4 Subdivision Review Considerations
 - / Revise to address private rights-of-ways for condominium developments
- / E2.2 Road Network
 - / E2.2.1 & E2.2.2– Add Private Right-of-Way to sections and establish a minimum road width for private rights-of-way. Creation of private rights-of-way limited to condominium developments
 - / E2.2.3 – Revise *Right-of-Way Widths and Road Widening*s section to reflect limitations on widening requests
- / E6.6 Dedication of Parkland
 - / Revise to reflect non-profit housing exemptions and affordable/attainable housing reductions
 - / Revise to reflect the type of land to be conveyed
 - / Revise to confirm requirement for parkland dedications resulting from site plan control applications
- / E6.8 Use of Moneys Received Through the Cash In Lieu Process
 - / Revise to reflect ability to use funds for “other public recreational purposes” as per the Act
- / F4 Site Plan Control
 - / Revise uses subject to Site Plan Control to reflect restriction of applying SPC to under 10 residential units
 - / Revise to address road widening and exterior design limitations
 - / Revise to address staff delegation of authority for all site plan applications
- / F6 Phasing of Development
 - / Review provision requiring provision of parkland prior to when 25% of lots have been developed
- / F10 Public Participation and Consultation
 - / Consider revising to reflect public input limitations in Site Plan Control

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendments

/ 3.0 Definitions

- / Remove “secondary residential unit” and introduce “additional dwelling unit”
- / Revise definition of dwelling unit
- / Revise or remove definition of “dwelling, triplex” and make associated changes throughout

/ 4.12 Special Setbacks

- / Add section after Section 4.12.2 (Setbacks from Other Roads) to include minimum setbacks to private streets

/ 5.3 Residential Parking Requirements

- / Revise minimum parking space requirements to permit 1 parking space per dwelling unit
- / Revise “secondary residential unit” term and remove “triplex” term

/ 6.2 Description of Zones

- / Revise R1 and R3 descriptions to include additional dwelling units

/ 6.3.1 Secondary Residential Units

- / Revise to permit up to 3 additional dwelling units
- / Revise to remove floor area restrictions

/ 6.4.3 Driveways

- / Revise to reflect additional dwelling units

/ 6.4.9 Dwelling Units

- / Remove restriction that only permits one dwelling unit per lot

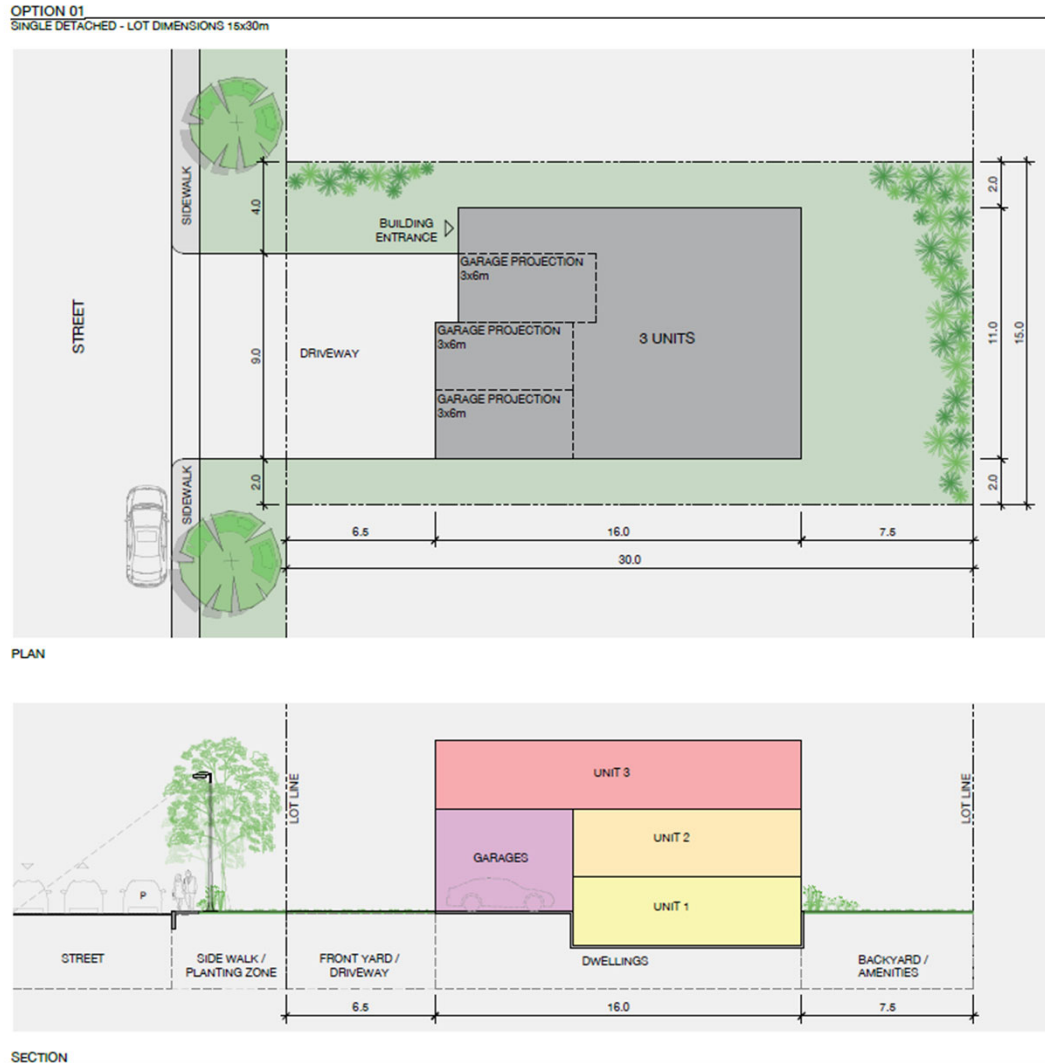
/ 6.4.10 Encroachments into Required Yards

- / Revise to address removal of secondary residential units

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendments

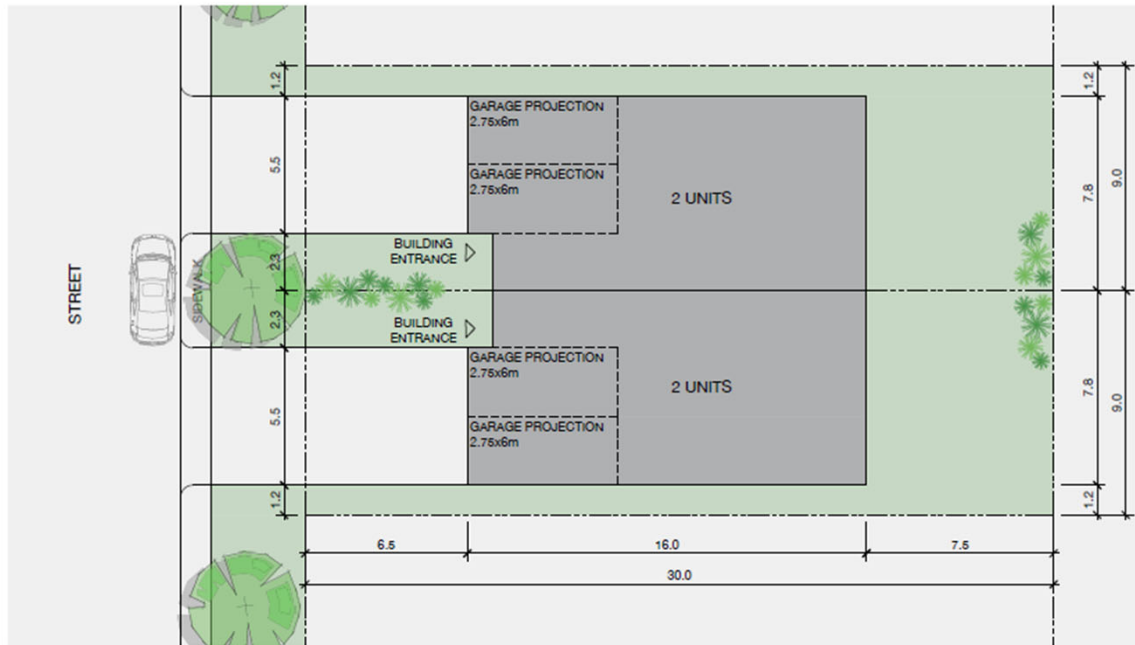
- / 6.5 R1 (Residential One)
 - / Revise permitted uses and standards to permit additional dwelling units, and remove secondary residential unit
- / 6.6 R2 (Residential Two)
 - / Revise permitted uses and standards to permit additional dwelling units, and remove secondary residential unit
- / 6.7 R3 (Residential Three)
 - / Revise permitted uses and standards to permit additional dwelling units, and remove secondary residential unit
- / 6.8 R4 (Residential Four)
 - / Revise permitted uses and standards to permit additional dwelling units, and remove secondary residential unit
- / 7.8 Permitted Uses
 - / Add additional dwelling units

Example of accessory dwellings for a single detached lot.

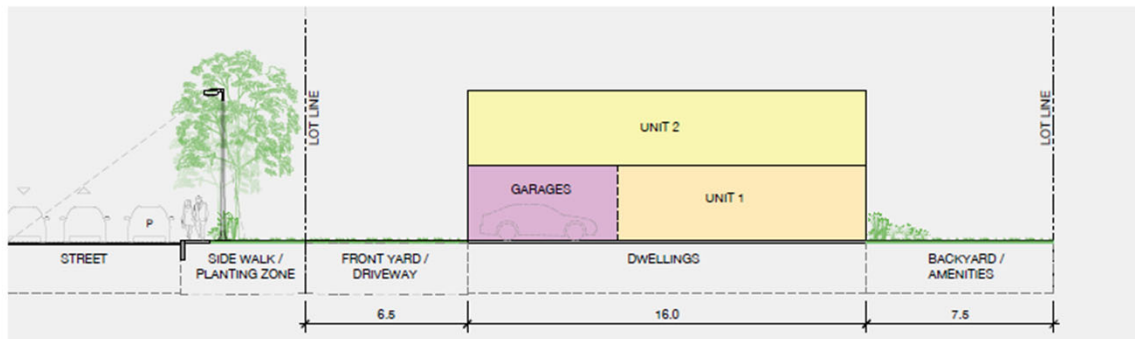


Example of accessory dwellings for a semi-detached detached lot.

OPTION 02
SEMI-DETACHED - LOT DIMENSIONS 9x30m



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SECTION

Next Steps

- / Continue to review implications of Bill 23 and standards for private roads with Arnprior Town Staff.
- / Finalize the Amendments and present final report and By-law to Council.
- / Council makes a decision on the Official Plan Amendments and Zoning By-law Amendments
- / Official Plan Amendment decision, if adopted, provided to County of Renfrew for review and approval

Questions & Comments