EXPLANATORY NOTES

The *Burlington Official Plan, 2020* was adopted by Council of the Corporation of the City of Burlington on April 26, 2018 through By-law 24-2018. It was approved, with modifications, by the Regional Municipality of Halton on November 30, 2020. Parts of the Region's decision were appealed and referred to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) for a final decision. These parts of the Plan have been assigned to case number OLT-22-002219.

Parts of the Plan that are broadly appealed (i.e., not site-specific) have been highlighted in yellow. Highlighted content is not in effect and may be considered as informative, but not determinative. Non-highlighted content is in full or partial effect, subject to any applicable site-specific appeals. For those parts of the *Burlington Official Plan, 2020* that are not in effect, relevant sections of the former Plan (*Burlington Official Plan, 1997*, as amended) will remain in effect until the applicable appeals are resolved.

This Office Consolidation incorporates approved changes to the *Burlington Official Plan, 2020* up to and including July 31, 2026, as detailed in Tables A, B, C and D of these explanatory notes. Office Consolidations are prepared for the purpose of convenience. For accurate reference, readers should consult the legal documents as approved by the applicable authority, which are the duplicate originals of the *Burlington Official Plan, 2020* and its amendments, lodged in the Clerks Department of the City of Burlington, located at 426 Brant Street, Burlington, Ontario, L7R 3Z6.

Readers should also consult any subsequent Orders and Decisions of the OLT, to satisfy themselves as to the legal status and applicability of the Plan: jus-olt-prod.powerappsportals.com/in/e-status/

For general Official Plan updates, interested parties may monitor the City of Burlington's website: burlington.ca/en/planning-and-development/official-plan.aspx

These explanatory notes do not constitute part of the Official Plan under the Planning Act.

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TABLE A. ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL DECISIONS UNDER CASE NO. OLT-22-002219 - "BURLINGTON NEW OP"

Decision	Details	Hearing Date	Effect Date[1]
0002133	Agricultural System policies modified & approved in accordance with Minutes of Settlement	2023-09-26	2023-10-19
0009340	Mineral Aggregate Resource policies modified & approved in accordance with Minutes of Settlement	2023-12-15	2024-02-16
0009566	Certain policies within chapters 3 & 8 approved; and Site-specific policies modified & approved to align with OPAs 120, 122 & 125 to the *Burlington Official Plan, 1997*	2024-02-23	2024-04-02
0013445	Residential Neighbourhood Areas on Schedule C modified & approved to align with OPA 3 to the *Burlington Official Plan, 2020*	2025-09-16	2025-09-16
0013778	Residential Neighbourhood Areas on Schedule B & related policy 2.3.4 a) approved; and Site-specific policies modified & approved to align with OPA 123 to the *Burlington Official Plan, 1997*	2025-12-11	2025-12-11

[1] The date of the Decision(s) issued by the Ontario Land Tribunal approving the affected policies. In the case of Oral Decisions, the effect date is the same as the hearing date.

TABLE B. OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENTS

OPA	Details	Adoption Date	Ministry Approval	Appealed	Effect Date[2]
1	City Initiated –- Provincial compliance re: Additional Residential Units	2023-09-26	Exempt	No	2023-10-19
2	City Initiated – Provincial conformity re: Major Transit Station Areas	2024-06-18	Required	Yes	2025-10-31 [partial][3]
3	City Initiated – Housing Strategy implementation re: four units as-of-right	2025-01-28	Exempt	No	2025-02-20
4	City Initiated – Area-specific policies re: "Bronte Creek Meadows"	2025-05-20	Exempt	No	2025-06-12

[2] In the case of no appeal, the day after the end of the appeal period; in the case of appeal, the date(s) of the Decision(s) issued by the Ontario Land Tribunal approving the affected policies.

[3] OPA 2 is not included in this Office Consolidation.

OPA	Details	Adoption Date	Ministry Approval	Appealed	Effect Date[2]
5	Privately Initiated – Site-specific policy re: 291 North Service Road	2024-12-10	Exempt	No	2025-01-10
6	City Initiated – Delegated authority re: minor technical changes	2025-06-17	Exempt	No	2025-07-10
7	City Initiated – Provincial conformity re: Employment Areas	Inactive	-	-	-
8	City Initiated – Transitional policies & delegated authority re: minor technical changes	2026-03-10	Exempt	No	2026-04-02
9	Privately Initiated – Area-specific policies re: 1200 King Road	2026-07-21	Exempt	Pending[4]	-

[4] At the time of this Office Consolidation, this OPA was within its appeal period.

OPA	Details	Adoption Date	Ministry Approval	Appealed	Effect Date[2]
10	Privately Initiated –Site-specific policy re: 2105 Headon Road	2026-07-21	Exempt	Pending[5]	-
11	Privately Initiated – Area-specific policies re: "Bronte Creek Meadows"	2026-06-23	Exempt	No	2026-07-29

[5] At the time of this Office Consolidation, this OPA was within its appeal period.

TABLE C. OFFICIAL PLAN ADOPTING BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

By-law	Details	Effect Date
04-2025	Withdraw obsolete policies re: Neighbourhood Character Areas to align with OPA 3 to the *Burlington Official Plan, 2020*	2025-01-28
84-2025	Withdraw obsolete policies & schedule overlay re: Downtown East Cultural Study Area to reflect study completion	2025-10-14
20-2026	Withdraw redundant policies re: delegated authority to align with OPAs 6 & 8 to the *Burlington Official Plan, 2020*	2026-03-10

TABLE D. OFFICIAL PLAN MINOR TECHNICAL CHANGES [DELEGATED AUTHORITY]

MTC	Details	Date
20-1	Minor Technical Changes to the Burlington Official Plan, 2020	2026-07-30

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