

**NOTICE OF A SECOND OPEN HOUSE & PUBLIC MEETING  
TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF A PROPOSED NEW ZONING BY-LAW**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound will hold a second Open House and Public Meeting on **Monday January 25, 2010**. The **Open House** will take place from **1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**, and the **Public Meeting** will take place during a regular meeting of Council at **7:00 PM**, to share information and obtain public input on a proposed ***New Comprehensive Zoning By-law***. Both events will be held in the **Council Chambers**, City Hall, 808 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue East, Owen Sound and are pursuant to the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P. 13 Section 34, and O. Reg. 545/06.

**PURPOSE OF THE NEW ZONING BY-LAW:**

The City of Owen Sound's Zoning By-law was adopted in 1985 and has been subject to several amendments. The City is in the process of preparing a *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law* to better reflect current policy and practice. **The *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law* will control the development of land in the City by stating how land can be used, and the required standards** (e.g. lot size and dimensions, setbacks from property lines, building type and parking requirements).

Some of the changes in the second draft of the *New Zoning By-law* include:

- Permitted uses;
- Updated mapping of zones and zone boundaries, including Hazard Lands;
- Updated parking requirements, including location, required number, bicycle parking, and loading requirements; and
- A new user-friendly format has also been introduced.

And there is more - so please join us on January 25<sup>th</sup> for more information.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

No key map is provided as the *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law* **affects all lands within the City of Owen Sound**.

An **Open House** was held on June 4, 2009, which was the first organized opportunity for the community to provide comment on the developing *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law*. The purpose of this second Open House is to share the second draft version of the *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law* and gather further input from the community.

A **Public Meeting** is being held under the requirements of the *Planning Act*. The Public Meeting for the *new Draft Zoning By-law* will provide members of the community to speak before Council in a more formal setting about the draft text and mapping.

Community members are welcome to attend the Open House and/or Public Meeting to understand the role of a Zoning By-law; to explore the second draft text and mapping; and to ask questions or provide input about the *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law*. Information will be provided through a series of posters and hardcopies of the draft by-law will be available. The City of Owen Sound Planning Division staff and consultants will be on-hand to answer questions and discuss the materials.

**The second draft version of the *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law* is available** on the City of Owen Sound website at this time: [www.owensound.ca/planning/newzbl/](http://www.owensound.ca/planning/newzbl/). Hardcopies are available for review at the City of Owen Sound Community Services Department Planning Division or City Clerk's office at City Hall during normal business hours, and also at the Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library.

Please contact Margaret Potter, Community Planner for information regarding the *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law*. The Community Planner can be contacted by email at [mpotter@owensound.ca](mailto:mpotter@owensound.ca) or phone at (519)376-4440 (ext. 1232) or mail at Owen Sound City Hall, Community Services Department, Planning Division, 808-2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue East, Owen Sound, ON N4K 2H4.

**If you wish to be provided with any future notices related to the *New Comprehensive Zoning By-law* you must submit a written request to the City Clerk at the address listed below.**

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the City of Owen Sound before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of the City of Owen Sound to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Corporation of the City of Owen Sound before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

DATED at Owen Sound this 5<sup>th</sup> day of **January, 2010**.

Marion I. Koepke, C.M.O., City Clerk  
The Corporation of the City of Owen Sound  
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