

Draft Official Plan Open House

Over the last two years, through the *People Plan Richmond Hill* consultation approach, staff worked with the public to develop a vision, guiding principles, urban structure and major policy directions for the Town's proposed new Official Plan, which was made available on May 06, 2010.

On the evening of Wednesday, May 12, 2010 an Open House on the Town's proposed new Official Plan was held at the McConaghy Seniors' Centre at 10100 Yonge Street in Richmond Hill.

The Open House provided members of the public and stakeholders with the opportunity to review the proposed new Official Plan. Staff were also on hand to provide members of the public with information on the *People Plan Richmond Hill* consultation approach and the policies of the Plan. Approximately 150 members of the public and stakeholders attended the Open House session.



Official Plan Statutory Public Meeting

Following the May 12, 2010 Open House and comment period, a statutory Public Meeting pursuant to Sections 17 and 26 of the *Planning Act* was held on June 09, 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Offices. The purpose of the meeting was to allow members of the public and stakeholders to submit their comments on the proposed new Official Plan formally to Council.

A presentation by Staff provided an overview of the proposed new Official Plan, highlighting the vision and basis for the document; the Plan's key messages; the extensive consultation and study process that was applied to develop the Plan; and the Plan format and layout. Council received over 80 written and verbal comments from members of the public and stakeholders.

Council received the proposed new Official Plan and referred the comments on the Plan back to Staff for consideration in the preparation of the final Richmond Hill Official Plan. As members of the public and stakeholders continued to review the Plan, Staff were instructed by Council to respond to those comments for the July 05, 2010 Committee of the Whole meeting.

The proposed new Official Plan and additional information is available at www.richmondhill.ca/officialplan