

Request for Decision

Official Plan Amendment No. 102 - LaSalle **Boulevard Corridor Strategy**

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Resolution

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury adopts Official Plan Amendment 102, as outlined in the report entitled "Official Plan Amendment No. 102 - LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Strategy", from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure. presented at the Planning Committee Meeting on March 9, 2020;

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to return with the associated draft Zoning By-law amendments no later than the end of Q2, 2020.

Relationship to the Strategic Plan / Health Impact **Assessment**

The proposed official plan amendment is consistent with Goal 2.4B of Council's 2019-2027 Strategic Plan which is "to complete the existing nodes and corridors strategy to ensure that strategic centres and corridors are ready for investment that complements transit and active transportation strategies."

Report Summary

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Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Strategy Associated Official Plan Amendment No. 102 Planning Services Division Report Date: February 18, 2020

Purpose

The report presents the recommended Official Plan Amendment No. 102 which reflects the LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Plan and Strategy land use planning recommendations. Council directed staff to commence public consultation on the proposed amendment. Open Houses were held in November, and the Public Hearing was held on December 9, 2019. This process is subject to Sections 17 & 21 of the Planning Act.

Overview/Executive Summary

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BACKGROUND

The City of Greater Sudbury adopted a Nodes and Corridors Strategy in September 2016 (See Reference 1). This Nodes and Corridors Strategy is intended to help revitalize and better connect our Downtown, the Town Centres, strategic core areas and corridors of the City. The strategy will also help create new and distinctive corridors and town centres, all featuring mixed uses, public realm improvements and public transit.

The LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Plan and Strategy (the "LBCPS") was endorsed by the City in July, 2018 (See Reference 2). It introduces policy recommendations and a conceptual plan that are implementable and achievable, subject to detailed design, funding and further approvals. The recommendations to standardize land uses and zoning, to provide additional amenities for transit, cycling and walking, and to enhance the street through landscaping, bringing buildings closer to the street and creating distinct nodes of activity all support the idea of making LaSalle Boulevard a destination.

Proposed Changes to the Official Plan

The recommendations of the LBCPS seek to introduce a new urban structure for the corridor; mixed-use land uses, higher densities and built form; and, identify standards of urban design, for both the private and public realm.

On June 24, 2019, staff presented a draft amendment that introduced new land use designations to the City's Official Plan, including 'Secondary Community Nodes' and 'Regional Corridors'. Secondary Community Nodes are nodes along the City's strategic corridors with a concentration of uses at a smaller scale than a Regional Centre (e.g. LaSalle Court Mall vs New Sudbury Shopping Centre). These Secondary Community Nodes would be located on primary transit corridors and permitted uses would include residential, retail, service, institutional, park and other community-oriented activities. Given the function and high visibility of these nodes, special attention to sound urban design principle would be essential.

Regional Corridors are the primary arterial links connecting the Regional Centres and the Secondary Community Nodes. These corridors would be the City's 'Main Streets' and the proposed permitted uses would include medium-density residential, retail, service, institutional, parks, open spaces, office and community-oriented uses at transit-supportive densities in compact, pedestrian-friendly built forms. Sound urban design principles would again be essential.

The Official Plan currently contemplates residential uses in Regional Centres, subject to the rezoning process. The proposed amendment would permit residential uses within Regional Centres as of right, would further refine parking

reduction policies of the Official Plan, and would redesignate certain lands along LaSalle Boulevard.

On June 24, 2019, Planning Committee directed staff to commence public consultation on the proposed Official Plan Amendment and to hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments in the fourth quarter of 2019. This Public Hearing was held on December 9, 2019 (See Reference 4).

Public Consultation

The comments heard during the public open houses in November included general support for the proposed changes; some concern around transition between the new designations and the "back lots" along the side streets; some concern around building closer to LaSalle, snow storage and accessibility. Other feedback included making links to the City's proposed Community Energy and Emissions Plan (specifically the Complete, Compact Communities chapter) by placing more restrictions on development outside urban areas, thereby creating more demand for development within the nodes and corridors.

Staff has outlined the written public comments in Attachment A to this report. In addition to the above, there were a number of requests to place more emphasis on a cycling-friendly environment. These changes have been added to the proposed amendment (See Attachment B – Proposed Official Plan Amendment - Red-Line Changes).

There was a concern that the OPA did not make specific reference to flooding, wetlands, climate change, green infrastructure, etc. The City's recent Official Plan review examined these questions in detail. The City's newly revised Official Plan contains policies for all of these matters and the proposed OPA should be read within that context. Other concerns included the differences between the proposed new designations. Staff is recommending further changes to the proposed OPA in order to harmonize the designations.

The Province has indicated their support for the proposed OPA. However, the Province recommended that the City wait until the Community Benefits Regulations are in effect before making associated changes to the City's Official Plan. Staff is recommending that the Section 37 changes to the Official Plan be removed from the proposed OPA. Staff will continue to monitor the proposed legislative changes and report back to Council as new information becomes available.

Other issues were raised that not were directly associated with the proposed OPA. These issues include the request for more dog parks, the winter maintenance of sidewalks and the Junction Creek Trail, school closures, lane configurations and road design, and the need for more pedestrian crosswalks along LaSalle. These matters were forwarded to appropriate City departments.

Growth Plan for Northern Ontario, 2011

The proposed OPA conforms to and does not conflict with the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario, 2011 (GPNO – See Reference 5). Specifically, the GPNO identifies Greater Sudbury as containing Strategic Core Areas. Strategic Core Areas are defined by the GPNO as "delineated medium-to-high density areas [...] that are priority areas for long-term revitalization, intensification and investment. These areas may consist of downtown areas, and other key nodes and significant corridors." LaSalle Boulevard was identified as one of the City's key nodes and significant corridors as part of the City's Nodes and Corridors Strategy.

Per Section 4.4.2 of the GPNO, Greater Sudbury is encouraged to plan for these areas "to function as vibrant, walkable, mixed-use districts that can: a) attract employment uses and clusters, including office and retail; b) accommodate higher densities; c)provide a broad range of amenities accessible to residents and visitors including vibrant streetscapes, shopping, entertainment, transportation connections, lodging, and educational, health, social, and cultural services." The proposed OPA strengthens the City's Official Plan in this regard, both as it relates to LaSalle Boulevard, and as it relates to introduction of the new "Regional Corridor" and "Secondary Community Node" designations.

Provincial Policy Statement, 2014

The proposed OPA is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014 (PPS, See Reference 6). Specifically, the OPA is consistent with:

- Policy 1.1.1 a) b) e) and f);
- Policy 1.1.3.2 a);
- Policy 1.6.7.4;
- Policy 1.7.1 a) b) c); and,
- Policy 1.8 a) b) c);

Taken together, these policies seek to: promote efficient development and land use patterns to sustain the financial well-being of the City; accommodate a range of uses; improve accessibility and encourage active transportation and transit; make an efficient use of infrastructure; minimize negative impacts to air quality and climate change; and, support long-term economic prosperity.

Summary and Next Steps

Staff was directed to commence public consultation on the proposed official plan amendment in June, 2019. Public consultation was held throughout November, including and up to the December 9, 2019 Public Hearing.

Staff has considered feedback received as part of the public consultation process and has made appropriate changes to proposed amendment. Staff is now recommending that Council adopt Official Plan Amendment 102 as it is consistent with the 2014 Provincial Policy Statement and conforms to, and does not conflict with the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario, 2011.

Council directed staff to prepare the necessary amendments to the City's Zoning By-law to implement the Corridor Plan and Strategy's land use planning recommendations in July, 2018. Staff should now be directed to return no later than the end of Q2 with the implementing zoning by-law amendments for Planning Committee's consideration.

Resources Cited

- Nodes and Corridors Strategy, report presented at the September 26, 2016
 Planning Committee Meeting
 - https://www.greatersudbury.ca/do-business/planning-anddevelopment/lasalle-corridor-planning-and-strategy/nodes-and-corridorstrategy/
- 2. "Proposed LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Plan and Strategy", report presented at the July 9, 2018 Planning Committee Meeting
 - https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&action=file&agenda=report&itemid=8&id=1227
- "LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Plan and Strategy Proposed Official Plan Amendment", report presented at June 24, 2019 Planning Committee Meeting
 - http://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&action=file &agenda=report&itemid=7&id=1317
- 4. "Public Hearing Official Plan Amendment No. 102"
 - https://agendasonline.greatersudbury.ca/index.cfm?pg=feed&action=file&agenda=report&itemid=2&id=1388

5. Growth Plan for Northern Ontario, 2011

https://www.placestogrow.ca/index.php?option=com_content&task=vie

Provincial Policy Statement, 2014
 https://www.ontario.ca/document/provincial-policy-statement-2014

Attachments

A. Comment Table - OPA 102

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- B. Draft Official Plan Amendment Red-Line Changes
- C. Draft Official Plan Amendment
- D. to G. Proposed Schedules

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1	OPA 102 - Consultations and Submissions	<u> </u>	C	U	<u> </u>
2	Submissions				
3		Date	Contact	Notes	Staff Responses and Recommendations
	Name	Date	Contact	Notes	Start Responses and Recommendations
				The Ministry would like to commend the City on a draft OPA which	
				appears to be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014	
				regarding built form and compact patterns of development intended	
				to support current and future transit and active transportation. The	
				PPS supports planning for complete streets and a full rang of publicly-	
				accessible facilities, parklands and public spaces, as well as a mix of	
4	Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	November 15 2019	Megan Grant, Team Lead	housing types, tenures and affordability.	No comment
	Officerio William y of Wilding pary Wilding and Troughing	110 VEHIDEI 13 2013	Wiegun Grant, Feath Lead	No concerns have been identified regarding matters of provincial	
5				interest.	No comment
				The Ministry notes that the introduction of policies to address	
				specific section 37 benefits is premature until such time as section	
				37, as revised by Bill 108, is proclaimed and accompanying	Staff will continue to monitor the proposed legislative changes and report back to Council as new information becomes
6				regulations are in place.	available.
				Waiting until the Community Benefits Charges regulation is in place	
				will ensure that the City's OP policy will correctly identify the types of	f
				community benefits that will be permitted under the regulation. It	
				will also ensure that the formula for determining the value of the	
				community benefits that can be obtained through a Community	
				Benefits Charge will be adhered to when the City prepares the	
				community benefits charge strategy required by subsection 37(9) of	
				the Planning Act, and passes a community benefits charge by-law, as	
7				required by subsection 37(2).	See above.
				The City may wish to examine whether some of the community	
				benefits that are proposed to be included in the Community Benefits	
				Charges under section 37 could otherwise be obtained through site	
				plan approval under section 41 of the Planning Act. Namely public	
				streetscape improvements under 41(4)(2)(e), and land for public	
8				transit right of way under 41(7)(d).	See above.
				We absolutely need dog parks or designated off leash areas for pet	
				owners. You are all missing the big picture about dog parks. It is a	
				safety issue for the entire community. If you do not provide areas	
				where people can exercise their dogs, they will do it anywhere. If you	
				cannot exercise your dog, they are harder to train and can develop	
				behaviours. They may even be surrendered to the shelter. It would	
				be easier to convince residents to adopt shelter animals if the City	
	Ashleyhelena	November 7 2019		was more pet friendly.	This matter is outside the scope of the OPA.
10	AlexRanger	November 18 2019		Increased left hand turn lane from Barry Downe to LaSalle.	This matter is outside the scope of the OPA.
				Better light control. A better plan to remove snow in the winter from	
				the curbs for bus stops. The end of LaSalle needs a revamp. Fix the	
11	Mhoney83	December 2 2019		sidewalks and bike paths.	These matters are outside the scope of the OPA
				I would suggest waiting to see the actual impacts of Maley Drive to	
				see if expectation is true or not, before making a bunch of changes to	
12	Anonymous	December 2 2019		LaSalle.	No comment
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				I like nothing about the plan. Maley Drive has not and will never	
4.0	•	D		result in the changes projected for LaSalle, Barry Downe Road of The	
	Anonymous Coalition for a Liverble Coality	December 2 2019	Name Control Charles	Kingsway until both Phase 2 and 3 are completed.	No comment.
14	Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury	December 9 2019	Naomi Grant, Chair	Amendment text not posted on Over To You	The text of the proposed amendment was included on Over To You.
				Overall support for Nodes and Corridors and the vision for LaSalle	
4.5				Boulevard. Supportive of pedestrian-friendly form, mixed use and	No comment
15				provision of a mix of housing, etc.	No comment

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	^			The City is currently examining its Commercial Parking Standards. The findings of that study can be incorporated in the
				Official Plan, where appropriate.
16			Policies to permit reduced parking requirements should be much stronger. Note that provisions for bicycle parking should be included.	The in-effect Official Plan (OP) includes policies for bicycle facilities. OPA 102 would also be subject to the in-effect policies of the OP.
			the ones proposed (setting requirements for key elements) and CLS	The OP contains existing policies on the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and sustainable transportation options. The ongoing Phase Two Review of the City's Official Plan will strengthen both the Complete Streets and Sustainable
17			would especially like to see requirements for active transportation infrastructure and transit supportive infrastructure for Regional Corridors.	Transportation policies of the OP.
			CLS is concerned that this OPA has been prepared in isolation from Greater Sudbury's draft Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP), and does not reference climate change. Climate change mitigation and adaptation must be a lens for all Greater Sudbury	
			policies, plans and decisions. This OPA has the potential to assist in meeting many CEEP goals, if policies are strengthened or added to.	Phase One of the OP Review introduced climate change considerations throughout the Official Plan.
			CLS hopes that this lens is rigorously applied in developing the associated Zoning amendments and by-laws, and in developing	Once adopted by Council, staff will consider the CEEP and will propose appropriate changes to the OP, as required.
18			additional OPAs.	Staff recommend no further change at this time.
			Greater Sudbury's draft Official Plan has an intensification target of 20%. Greater Sudbury's CEEP's Compact, Complete Communities actions requires 80% of new development to be in urban centres (nodes), or adjacent to existing or new transit services (corridors), starting in 2025. In addition, average home size will decrease 20%, and the share of new homes that are single-family will drop sharply to 10% by 2050.	
			Although the new Regional Centre, Regional Corridor, and Secondary Community Node areas in the Lasalle corridor OPA allow and assist meeting these goals, they in no way ensure that these goals will be met. To meet these goals, the Official Plan must not only encourage intensification in desired areas, it must require that intensification happen in these areas, and not be permitted in others. Currently, high density can happen anywhere in Living Area 1. Gentle density	Staff is in support of appropriate intensification and densification. The purpose of the proposed OPA is to encourage increased densities along corridors and to introduce a policy framework that would help increase densities in line with the Province's Transit Supportive Guidelines. This is consistent with the efforts around the City's new Affordable Housing CIP, and the recently-adopted Development Charges By-law, both of which seek to facilitate more development along the City's Corridors.
19			should be allowed in all living areas, but high density should only be permitted in nodes and along corridors served by frequent transit.	Staff suggests that it may be premature at this time to restrict High Density development to these new land use designations. The City could consider additional policy changes once the complete system of nodes and corridors is in place in the OP.
			Similarly, transit supportive density should be required (not simply encouraged) in nodes and corridors. Greater Sudbury's modest	
20			growth rate means that we cannot afford to misdirect growth if we wish to meet intensification goals and reach transit supportive density.	See above.
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21				The timeline of the nodes and corridors strategy is mismatched with the timeline for CEEP Compact, Complete Communities actions. Change must happen at a much faster pace. All OPAs should be developed and approved through a CEEP lens. This is also true of associated rezoning and other planning tools. For example, parking standards are a powerful tool for shifting travel patterns and should be implemented in a manner consistent with meeting CEEP goals.	Staff is presenting a Report on Commercial Parking Standards in early 2020 with recommendations related to the City's parking standards and parking strategies. Staff is seeking direction to initiate appropriate changes to the City's Zoning Bylaw. Once adopted by Council, staff will consider the CEEP and will propose appropriate changes to the OP, as required.
22				Regional corridors and nodes are home to large commercial areas with large flat roof and parking areas. These large areas have potential for green infrastructure, on-site stormwater management, and green energy production. Requiring green roofs, permeable parking surfaces, and green energy production on commercial roofs and parking areas are all planning tools that could be applied to regional corridors and nodes to meet CEEP goals. Similarly, requirements for bike parking, and EV charging stations and parking should be included.	Section 12.5 of the City's OP outlines Energy Efficiency Programs. Section 14.9 of the OP outlines Urban Design Guidelines for Energy Efficiency and Climate Change Resiliency. The OP currently encourages the development of green buildings, alternative heating and cooling methods, and eco-sensitive design in the Downtown Core. Green infrastructure is encouraged in Parks and Open Space.
23				Regional Centres, Regional Corridors, and Secondary Community Node, and other identified Nodes (such as Town Centres) are where the most development is hoped to occur. Therefore, it is especially important that policies for these areas support CEEP goals, most especially for Compact, Complete Communities, Efficient Buildings, and Low Carbon Transportation. Note that the urban forest also has an important role to play in climate mitigation and adaptation. This is something that should inform landscaping requirements, as well as other policies (e.g. support for or requirements for green roofs).	See above.
24				The proposed road design in the Lasalle Corridor Study fails in one of its basic aims: to provide safe and comfortable infrastructure for walking and biking for all users, including the most vulnerable (the elderly, children, and people with disabilities). The vision is for Lasalle to be the 'gold standard' for a complete street, but the proposed design does not meet even the minimum requirements for a true complete street, or the Transportation Master Plan street design standards for arterials (sidewalks and dedicated cycling facilities on both sides of the street). Lasalle is a main travel corridor, an arterial road, and has many key destinations. Dedicated infrastructure for both pedestrians and cyclists is a must.	
25				We would like to see language in the definition of Regional Corridors that ensure dedicated and separated pedestrian and cycling infrastructure is provided in both directions, including safe crossings. Transit infrastructure such as bus bays, dedicated bus lanes, and advanced greens for transit, should also be supported. Regional Corridors are main travel corridors, and they must function well as main travel corridors for all modes of travel. Regional Centre and Secondary Community Node designations should also specifically reference cycling infrastructure (wherever 'pedestrian-friendly' design is referenced).	

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26				Lasalle was identified as part of a minimum grid of cycling routes by the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel. Completing a safe, connected and convenient network of cycling routes in a timely manner is a basic requirement to significantly increase the number of residents travelling by bike. Similarly, walkability and transit supportive measures are also needed to shift travel patterns to sustainable transportation. Note that here have been many collisions involving pedestrians along Lasalle, and improvements for pedestrian safety should be a priority.	
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27				The CEEP goals are for 35% active mobility and 25% transit modal share by 2050. These goals must be integrated into the nodes and corridor strategy. As nodes and corridor policies and projects move ahead, they must always support walking, biking and transit as safe and convenient modes of travel.	Once adopted by Council, staff will consider the CEEP and will propose appropriate changes to the OP, as required.
				Greater Sudbury will develop a Climate Adaptation Strategy in 2020. Flooding is a common problem along certain areas of the Lasalle corridor, and is only expected to become a greater challenge. Policies to address and prevent flooding, protect water quality, and increase climate resilience should be part of the Lasalle Corridor strategy, and included in the definitions and associated zoning rules for all Regional Corridors and Nodes. Our Regional Corridors should not only be complete streets and public spaces, but also green streets (providing shade and green stormwater management). Note that the Lasalle corridor is in the Junction Creek watershed, and planning policies and associated	
28				requirements should be protective of the health of Junction Creek.	The current OP contains policies regarding flooding, protecting water quality, and climate change resiliency.
				Ward 8 Community Action Network (CAN) supports the direction that	
				proposes refining the policy structure and hierarchy of the corridors	
29	Ward 8 CAN	December 9 2019	Rachelle Niemela, Chair	in Greater Sudbury	No comment
					Phase One of the OP Review introduced climate change considerations throughout the Official Plan.
				There is no mention of Climate Change, or the use of a Climate	
30				Change lense applied to the proposed OPA changes.	
				Will there be opportunities to further refine the OPA once the CEEP	
				and mitigation plans have been completed, and goals and strategies	
31				have been approved by Council?	Once adopted by Council, staff will consider the CEEP and will propose appropriate changes to the OP, as required.
32				In order to meet the proposed goals in the CEEP, we must be more aggressive in how we encourage and discourage growth and activities in key areas of the city. High density growth needs to be mandated in corridors like Lasalle, which is designated as a major transit spine. We look forward to seeing the following addressed and clarified: green infrastructure and zero carbon buildings; stormwater management; parking requirements; transit; a Complete Street approach which targets safety and comfort - including dedicated, separated pedestrian and cycling infrastructure on both sides of the street, safe crossings and other changes that prioritize our most vulnerable road users; flooding mitigation; streetscaping and public art; connections with neighbourhoods and local trails and paths; urban trees and greenspace. CAN requests adding "bikeable" in preamble to Section 4.2.2 of the	
33				OP.	This proposed change is recommended
34				CAN agrees with adding "Residential" to Regional Centres	No comment
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					OPA 102 proposes to include "open spaces that are either parks and/or plazas accessible to the public" to encourage private land owners to develop these private open spaces in their developments.
35				Why are public City Parks not permitted in Regional Centres?	Public parks are permitted in all zones, per section 4.40 of the City's Zoning By-law.
36				Add "and cycling-friendly" after "pedestrian-friendly" in new policy 3 of section 4.2.2	This proposed change is recommended.
37				Why is the City proposing to continue to allow light industrial uses in Regional Centres? This is contrary to the advice in the LaSalle Boulevard Corridor Plan and Strategy.	Per the current OP, light industrial uses in Regional Centres are uses conducted entirely indoors provided that appropriate landscaping and buffering can be established to shield any adjacent sensitive uses. Staff maintains that these uses are compatible with the overall vision of Regional Centres in the Official Plan, and Strategic Core Areas in the Growth Plan for Northern Ontario.
38				Include "and cycling infrastructure" after "pedestrian walkways" in renumbered policy 5 d) of Section 4.2.2.	This proposed change is recommended
39				Why is the City proposing to remove renumbered policy 6 of Section 4.2.2?	The intent of policy 6 is captured in policy 2. Both policies supported active transportation and transit.
40				Add cycling in the preamble to Section 4.2.3 - Secondary Community Uses and to Regional Centres.	This proposed change is recommended.
41				Regional Centres should be modified to explicitly state that they will be transit hubs that connect transit corridors.	This matter is being referred to Phase Two of the Official Plan Review.
42				The differences that are identified between Regional Centres and Secondary Community Nodes are that Regional Centres allow recreational and entertainment activities which are not permitted in Secondary Community Nodes; and Secondary Community Nodes permit parks which are not permitted in Regional Centres. Both allow residential, retail, office, service, institutional, and other community-oriented activities. It is unclear to the CAN why these differences exist.	Staff recommends that "Recreational" and "Entertainment" uses be harmonized throughout the designations.
43				There is no policy in the Regional Centres section to encourage Mixed Use Buildings (compared to Secondary Community Nodes). The wording "should be" implies that it is not mandated; perhaps we should be using stronger language to mandate what kind of built forms will be permitted in each area.	The preamble to section 4.2.2. encourages "mixed use districts". A change to OPA 102 is recommended in order to recognize the desire for mixed use buildings.
				Policy 2 in the Secondary Community Node, as compared to its companion Policy 2 in Regional Centres, has the following differences: Additional "be the focal point for expression of community heritage and character;" Additional "provide residential development primarily in the form of medium and high density buildings, and discouraging single-detached dwellings;" Not included "include, where appropriate, open spaces that are either parks and/or plazas accessible to the public;"	
44				CAN agrees that community heritage and character should be preserved and encouraged, and also that densification should be encouraged (eg discouraging single-detached dwellings). CAN would suggest that this section would also benefit from encouraging privately-held open spaces, in particular in mall-type areas eg Montrose Mall. It is unclear why the City may require a traffic impact study to	As mentioned above, the City's Zoning By-law permits Public Parks in all zones. In order to harmonize this section of the Secondary Community Node with the Regional Centres, staff recommends adding the private park provision to the OPA.
45					The traffic impact study is a requirement under the renumbering of policy 2 to new policy 5 in Section 4.2.2. Regional Centres.
46				CAN recommends including "cycling-friendly" in Policy 5 of Section 4.2.3 - Secondary Community Nodes.	This change is recommended

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				CAN is in agreement with the intent of the Regional Corridors (new	
				Section 4.2.4), and the preamble that describes a vibrant	
				environment for these areas. As with the Secondary Community	
47				Nodes, CAN is suggesting explicitly including cycling in the preamble.	This change is recommended
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				The differences that are identified between Secondary Community	
				Nodes and Regional Corridors are that Regional Corridors permit	
				medium-density residential and open spaces. We are unsure of the	
				definition of open spaces and why they are specifically identified in	
48				this section and in none of the other sections.	See comment above regarding private and public parks.
					See comment above regarding private and position
				The differences that are identified between Regional Centres are that	
				Regional Centres allow recreational and entertainment activities	
				which are not permitted in Regional Corridors; and that Regional	The City's Green Space Advisory Panel Report (2010) outlined a comprehensive strategy to guide park acquisition,
				Corridors, like Secondary Community Nodes, permit parks which are	development and management. This advice was incorporated into Phase One of the Official Plan Review (See Section 7.0
49				not permitted in Regional Centres.	of the OP).
43				Regional Corridors also specify the uses are "at transit supportive	or the or j.
				densities in compact, pedestrian-friendly built forms". We would	
				suggest that if this phrase is used here, it should be used for all three	The making of the mile of the control of the contro
					The notion of transit supportive densities is included in all three designations. Staff recommend adding "compact" and
50				phrase.	"cycling-friendly" in the Secondary Community Node section.
				Policy 4 in Section 4.2.4 Regional Corridor, as compared to its	
				companion Policy 4 in Secondary Community Nodes, has the	
				following differences: Does not include being a focal point for	
				community heritage and character; Residential development	
				emphasis is on medium density buildings and not high density, and	
				does not discourage single-detached dwellings; Functions as a transit	
				spine; Speaks to small lot rezoning and land assembly; Does not	
				encourage alternative active transportation options.	
				Some of these corridors may not be long in length, and therefore be	
				very bikeable between community nodes. The CAN's	The thrust of the OPA is to focus high density development in nodes (promixity to commercial, services, etc) and medium
				recommendation is to encourage alternative active transportation	density along corridors. This allows for transition in densities between zones.
				options in the same language as Secondary Community Nodes:	density along contiduts. This allows for transition in densities between 2011es.
				"provide mobility choices and associated facilities to encourage	The OR contains policy regarding active transportation. Transportation is also a leavine of Phase Two of the Official Plan
51				alternative active transportation options."	The OP contains policy regarding active transportation. Transportation is also a key focus of Phase Two of the Official Plan Review.
31				atternative active transportation options.	INC VIC VV.
				Cycling should specifically be mentioned in the second paragraph of	
52				the preamble in Section 4.3 - Mixed Use Commercial	This change is recommended
32				The difference between Mixed Use Commercial and the two new	State of the continuous
				designations is that it uses the language "commercial" which is not	
				found in the other designations. The other designations permit	
				"retail, office, service". Are these the same or different? Is it the	
				intent that light commercial is eliminated here, while it is not in	
53				Regional Centres?	Staff recommends revising the amendment so that it is closer to the current in-effect text of the OP.
33				Mixed Use Commercial does not contain any language that prioritizes	
				pedestrian, cycling, and transit. This should be added to this	The language is included in the existing preamble to the Mixed Use Commercial Designation. Staff recommends adding
E 4				designation.	"cycling and" prior to "pedestrian environment" in the second paragraph of the said preamble.
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			policy 3 in Section 11.4 - Parking. Should item a. read "maximum	
			parking standards within or in the Regional Centre"?	
			The CAN also suggests that bicycle parking be included as a direction	A -1 1 - 11 - 11 - 11
			in the Parking section, perhaps in a change in Policy 1:	A change to "within" is recommended in Section 11.4.
			"New developments generally must provide an adequate supply of	No de construir de la construi
55			vehicle and bicycle parking to meet anticipated demands."	No change is recommended to policy 1 at this time.
			Attachment C – Regional Centre North Side of Lasalle across from the	
			New Sudbury and Superstore Malls to Regional Centre – no concerns	
			save for the impact on the Junction Creek Trail, the impact of lack of	
			cycling infrastructure on Paquette, and how we integrate both sides	
[[of Lasalle with its current configuration of 4 lanes and priority on car	
56			movement into a vibrant, cohesive community.	Lane configuration is outside the scope of OPA102.
			Attachment D – Secondary Community Node Lasalle/Notre Dame	
			intersection – no concerns save for the required redesign of this	
			intersection to provide safe pedestrian and cycling movement from	
			the Paris/Notre Dame Bikeway to what we'd like to call the Lasalle	
			Bikeway, and as for all of the Lasalle, the current pedestrian and	
			cycling unfriendliness of the whole corridor which does not make it	
			very liveable or vibrant. The whole of Lasalle needs to be revitalized	
57			so people will want to walk, bike, and live on it.	The design of the LaSalle / Notre Dame intersection is outside the scope of OPA 102.
			Attachment D – Secondary Community Node Montrose Mall area –	
			how will the south side designation impact the significant wetlands	
			and where do they border or intersect? Same comments re corridor	
58			revitalization.	The OP contains policies regarding wetland protection. See Section 8.0
			Attachment E – Regional Corridor Lasalle west from Starlight to the	
l			Data Center – what would be the impact should Felix Ricard ever	
59			close? Same comments re corridor revitalization.	The OP contains policies regarding surplus institutional buildings. See policy 3 of Section 4.4.
			Attachment E – Regional Corridor west from Secondary Community	
l l			Node Montrose Mall to Regional Centre – no concerns. Same	
60			comments re corridor revitalization.	No comment
			Attachment F – Regional Corridor east from Regional Centre to	
			Falconbridge Road – concerns: impact on Junction Creek Trail and	
			green space east of the creek on the south side, and around the	
			creek on the north side. Same comments re corridor revitalization,	
			only more important. This area has very little housing directly on	
			Lasalle in the area from Rosemarie to Falconbridge, there is no sense	
			of community there, traffic speeds regularly. What would be impact	
			if Jean-Ethier Blais were ever to close? What is the impact of having a	
			primary school on a 4-lane arterial road with the speeds and volume	
			of traffic and lack of safe active transportation (until the Lasalle	
61			Bikeway is built)?	See comment above regarding surplus institutional buildings.

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- 2. In Section 4.0, Employment Areas, by adding "Secondary Community Nodes, Regional Corridors and" in the fourth paragraph before "Mixed Use Commercial".
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 - a.b. Adding "residential," between "service," and "institutional" in Policy 1;
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 - e.d. Renumbering policy 3 to policy 5;
 - d.e. Creating a new policy 3: "Reductions in parking shall be considered in order to promote a greater mix of uses and a more compact, cycling and pedestrian-friendly built form.";

- e.f. Deleting policies 4 and 6 in their entirety;
- 4. By creating new Sections 4.2.3, Secondary Community Node, and 4.2.4, Regional Corridor, and renumbering subsequent sections accordingly.
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 - 34. Secondary Community Nodes shall be planned to:
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