



## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Official Plan Review Steering Committee  
**From:** W. Crown, Director of Planning and Building Services  
**Subject:** Official Plan Review – Public Consultation and Engagement Input  
**Date:** May 6, 2019

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Steering Committee, at its February 15, 2019 meeting, directed that the Second Public Draft Official Plan be provided to Council for receipt that the document be released for public consultation including the statutory public Open House and Public Meeting. Council considered Report PL-2019-14 at its March 6, 2019 meeting and passed the following motion in response to the Committee's recommendation:

*As recommended by the Official Plan Review Steering Committee, Council hereby directs that the "February 2019 – Second Draft for Public Comment – Town of Midland Official Plan" be released for public review and consultation as set out in Staff Report PL-2019-14 dated February 15, 2019.*

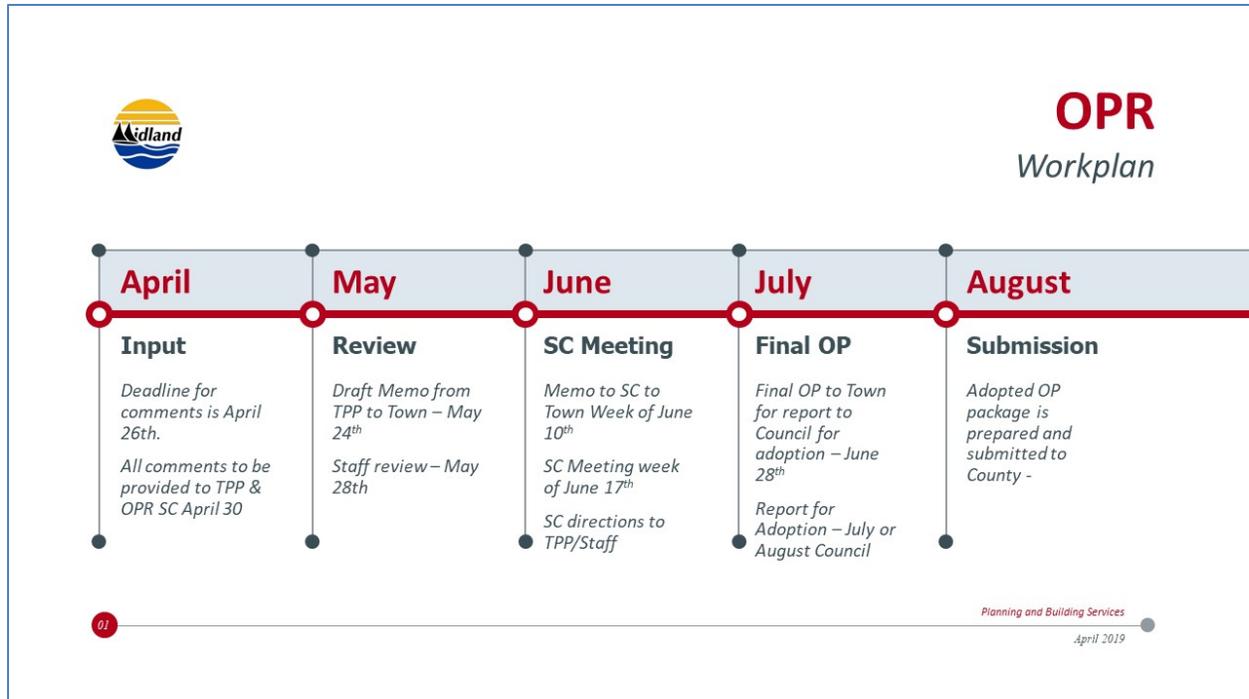
The Statutory Public Open House was held on April 9<sup>th</sup> and the Statutory Public Meeting was held on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Council, following the public meeting, passed the following motions:

*That Council hereby refer the results of the Statutory Public Meeting with respect to the proposed new Official Plan for the Town of Midland as recommended by the **Official Plan Review Steering Committee** to Staff and Project Consultants for a report to the **Official Plan Review Steering Committee** on the input and comments received, and a planning opinion and recommendations in response to each comment received, the proposed new Official Plan's consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement and conformity to Provincial and County Plans for review and recommendations to Council.*

*That the original Notice of Motion dealing with the written request from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing by letter 19-2037, to consider a pause to the Official Plan Review Process be deferred until the consultant has incorporated public comments into the Official Plan.*

The following sets out the Workplan schedule for the OPR Project following the Public Consultation and Engagement process.



Staff will be in touch with you shortly to schedule the Steering Committee meeting for the week of June 17<sup>th</sup> here at Town Hall. In accordance with Council direction, Staff will continue to monitor Provincial notices and decisions with respect to Growth Plan Amendment #1 to the 2017 Growth Plan and the reviews of the Planning Act and the Provincial Policy Statement. Information will be provided to Steering Committee, and Council, as it is received.

Provided below is a link to a copy of all comments received by the Town in response to the release of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Draft of the new Official Plan and notice of the public open house and public meeting. The Town established April 26<sup>th</sup> as a deadline for the submission of comments on the new Official Plan and the comments attached are those received by the deadline. Comments received after the deadline will be provided to The Planning Partnership for consideration, review and recommendation to Steering Committee, where time permits. Where new comments are received and there is insufficient time for The Planning Partnership to review and include in its report, those comments will be provided directly to Committee with the agenda for its next meeting.

The Planning Partnership will prepare a review matrix where each of the submitted comments will be recorded, reviewed and analysed and recommendations will be provided in the context of consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement and conformity to Provincial and County Plans.

Staff will endeavour to provide the Agenda for the Steering Committee meeting a week prior to the meeting to be scheduled for the week of June 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing announced on May 2<sup>nd</sup> its [More Homes, More Choice](#) action plan for comprehensive changes to a suite of legislation and policies. Staff and The

Planning Partnership will review the proposals, including the approval of Amendment 1 to the 2017 Growth Plan that is to come into effect on May 16<sup>th</sup> for the impacts, if any, on the new Official Plan.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Wesley Crown, MCIP, RPP  
Director of Planning and Building Services

Attachment #1 - [Public Input Comments](#)