# Development Agreement Application -Case 22797

Rezoning and Development Agreement for a mixed use multiple unit dwelling at 95 Caledonia Road, Dartmouth

Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council June 3, 2021

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# **Applicant Proposal**

- To rezone the site from C-1 (Local Business) to C-2 (General Business) approved by HEMDCC on May 6, 2021; and
- To enter into a development agreement to allow a new 5-storey apartment building with ground floor commercial uses decision required.

#### **Location:**

95 Caledonia Road, Dartmouth

#### **Applicant**:

**WM Fares Architects** 







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Subject site from Caledonia Road, looking toward Kennedy Drive



Subject site in background, HRM park in foreground

#### Proposal – West Elevation (Caledonia Road) Slide 6





#### Proposal – North Elevation (Kennedy Drive) Slide 7





### Proposal – East Elevation (Park Side)

#### Slide 8



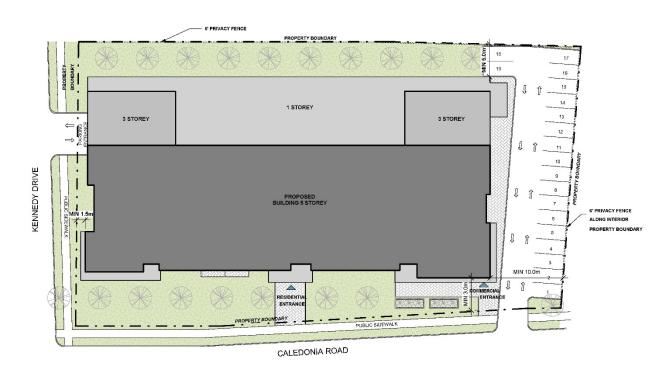


#### Proposal – South Elevation (Internal Lot Line) Slide 9





# Proposal – Site Plan

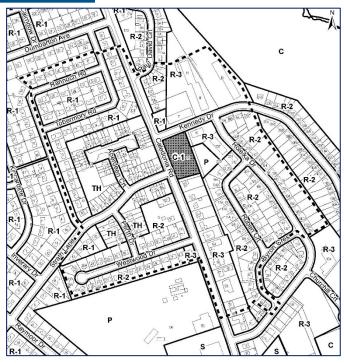


#### **Policy & By-law Overview**

#### **Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy – Dartmouth Land Use By-law**

- Current Zone
  - →C-2 (General Business) Zone
- Designation
  - →C (Commercial)

- Existing Use
  - →Commercial Plaza
- Enabling Policies
  - →IP-1(b) (Rezoning)
  - →IP-5 (Development Agreement)



Zoning and revised notification area

# **Policy Considerations**

#### **Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy**

• Dartmouth MPS **Policies IP-1 (c) and IP-5** enumerate the criteria to evaluate the application:

#### Relevant criteria include:

- → Compatibility and consistency with adjacent uses and built form;
- → Provisions for landscaping, buffering and screening;
- → Adequacy of existing street and service networks;
- → Proximity to schools and recreation amenities;
- → Discouraging a scattered development pattern ("sprawl");

- → Safe pedestrian movement within the site;
- → Drainage and soil stability;
- → Adequacy of parking;
- → Useable amenity space;
- → Encouraging preservation of mature trees and other natural features;



# Public Engagement Feedback

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- Level of engagement completed was consultation achieved through a mail out notification;
- Feedback from the community generally included the following:
  - → Strong support for the proposal;
  - → Significant concern over housing affordability and quality in the area of the subject site;
    - Residents anticipate increased supply could improve affordability;
  - → Concern re: impact of shadows on the adjacent HRM park

Fact Sheets Mailed

<u>199</u>

Individual Contacts
(Phone Calls & Email)



<u> 19</u>

**Webpage Views** 



Public Hearing
Notifications Mailed



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# Summary: Key Aspects of the Proposed Development

- 5 storey building
  - → Building to not exceed 16m, excluding elevator and stair enclosures;
- Approximately 59 dwelling units;
  - → At least 30% of the units shall contain 2 or more bedrooms;
- Commercial uses on the ground floor;
- Indoor, above-ground vehicle parking and surface vehicle parking;
- Bicycle parking in accordance with the Dartmouth Land Use By-law; and
- Indoor and outdoor amenity space for residents.



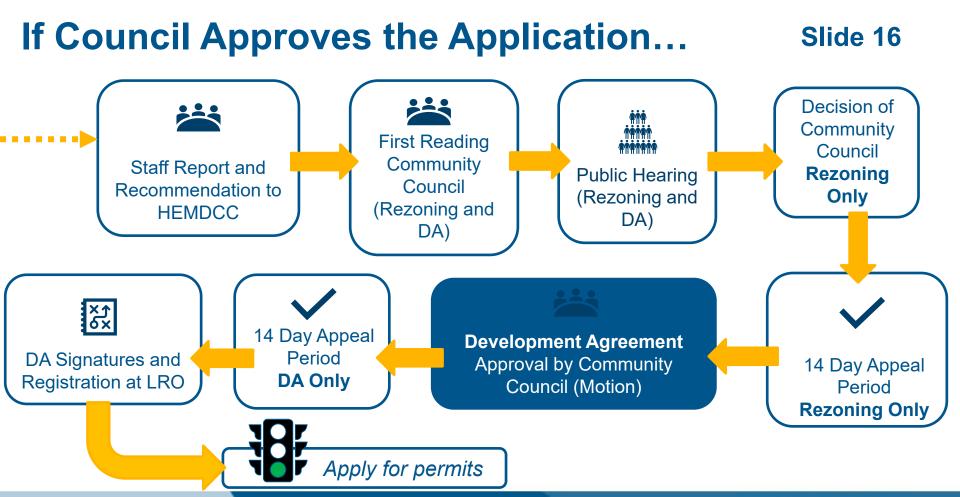
#### **Non-Substantive Amendments**

A 'Non-Substantive Amendment' is a change to the agreement which could be made without a Public Hearing. Instead, Community Council could authorize this change by resolution.

As proposed, Non-Substantive Amendments within this agreement include the following:

- Changes to landscaping requirements;
- Granting an extension to the date of Commencement of Construction;
- Granting an extension to the date of Completion of the Development;
- Changes to architectural requirements that do not impact the massing of the building; and
- Changes to sign requirements





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#### **Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommend that Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council:

- Approve the proposed Development Agreement; and
- 2. Require that the development agreement be signed by the property owner within 240 days.

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#### **Thank You**

#### **Planners Name**



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