Study Description

An Affordable Housing Report examines the impact that a proposed development will have on the supply of affordable housing options in the City.

Purpose

To address the Official Plan policies that speak to the need for preserving and enhancing the City’s existing stock of affordable housing and providing opportunities for new affordable housing (regardless of tenure).

Who should prepare this?

A Registered Professional Planner (RPP) or other qualified professional. All reports and drawings must be stamped and/or signed and dated by a qualified professional, licensed in the Province of Ontario.

When is this required?

To support the following applications:

- Official Plan Amendment
- Zoning By-law Amendment
- Draft Plan of Subdivision/Condominium
- Site Plan Control

Required Contents

- Description of proposal and concept plan
- Number of existing residential (including rental) units
- Number of residential units to be retained, added, or lost due to the proposed development
- Type and size of units, and whether the units are intended to be condominium registered
- Proposed rental or sale prices
- Any proposed phasing and the number of affordable housing being added or removed through each phase
- Site and contextual considerations
- Review of relevant Provincial Policy Statement, Growth Plan, and Official Plan policies (particularly policy 3.3.2.2 Affordable Housing Policies)
- Review and compliance with the Affordable Housing Strategy
- Conclusions and recommendations demonstrating how the proposal is consistent with relevant policies and regulations and how the proposed development will add to, or compensate for, the loss of the stock of affordable housing units

What else should we know?

An Affordable Housing Report may be a stand alone document or may be included in the Planning Justification Report.

What other resources are available?

Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) - To hire a professional planning consultant, consult the directory: http://www.ontarioplanners.on.ca/content/HireAPlanner/index.aspx

Section 3.3.2.2 Affordable Housing Policies of the Official Plan
https://www.barrie.ca/City%20Hall/Planning-and-Development/Pages/Official-Plan.aspx
Affordable Housing Strategy

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation Affordable Housing

Notes

If the proposed development is revised, the study/report shall reflect the revisions by an updated report or letter from the author indicating the recommendations and conclusions are the same.

Please note that a peer review may be required. The cost of the peer review will be borne by the applicant.

Please note that the requirements of this study may vary depending on the nature of the proposal. This will be determined through the pre-consultation process and in consultation with any applicable external agencies.

If the submitted study is incomplete, is authored by an unqualified individual, or does not contain adequate analysis, the application will be considered incomplete and returned to the applicant.