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14. Places of worship have been added as a permitted use in the Local Commercial Area, Major Commercial Area, High Density Residential Mixed-Use Area and Mixed Use Gateway Area designations.
15. A permission has been added in the Natural Heritage System that would allow for essential utility facilities.
16. The section dealing with the interface of development with the Natural Heritage System has been modified for clarity purposes to establish the Town's expectations that every effort will be made to locate parks, community facilities and stormwater management ponds near the Natural Heritage System to allow for linkages and connections to occur. Consideration will also be given through the implementation process to the development of single loaded roads to also achieve this objective.
17. New policies on the stormwater conveyance corridor have been added and they indicate that if after further study, any area that is confirmed as being required for stormwater conveyance be automatically included within the Natural Heritage System without an amendment required to the Official Plan. Lands not required would be developed in accordance with the adjacent land use designation.
18. Both Conservation Authorities provided extensive comments on the Natural Heritage System policies in the Secondary Plan. Many of these comments have been incorporated within the sections of the Secondary Plan dealing with natural heritage.
19. A minimum right of way width for window streets of 14 metres has been identified, which will be the subject of further study and verification. In addition, a minimum right of way width of 7.5 metres for public laneways has been included
20. The section that that deals with parkland has been expanded to indicate that the amount and location of parkland that is to be dedicated to the Town shall be established in a Master Parks Agreement.
21. The section dealing with cultural heritage has been modified and simplified so that the policies work seamlessly with the existing policies in the Official Plan.
22. The secondary plan now requires the preparation of an affordable housing strategy as part of the consideration of individual Block Plans, with such a strategy providing for the achievement of the affordable housing requirements of the Region of Halton.
23. A new and expanded implementation section has been created that deals with phasing, agreements and block plan requirements.