

# Town of Huntsville Staff Report

Meeting Date: February 12, 2020

**To:** Development Services Committee

Report Number: DEV-2020-23

Confidential: No

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Subject: SPA/66/2019/HTE Florence Holding Company Florence St E

#### **Report Highlights**

Staff review and recommendation of Site Plan Approval Application No. SPA/66/2019/HTE.

#### Recommendation

That: the Director of Development Services APPROVE Site Plan Application SPA/66/2019/HTE;

And That: the agreement be prepared to the satisfaction of the Town;

And Further That: the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

#### **Conditional On:**

1. All final plans and drawings being to the satisfaction of the Town and all other commenting agencies.

#### Background

**Purpose and Effect:** Through this application, the Owner is seeking approval for the site design to develop a two-building, 46-unit apartment development.

**Site Characteristics and Surrounding Uses:** The lands subject to this application consist of approximately 1.65ha in area, with 19.3m of frontage on Florence Street East. The property is currently vacant, it varies in topography, sloping down towards Main Street, and is well-vegetated. The surrounding uses are residential and commercial in nature.

Location: Pt Lots 11 & 12, Con 1, Chaffey, Plan 15 Pt Lots 20 & 21, Pt Blk C, RP 35R-18144, Pt 2 Previous/Current Files: B/21/95/HTE

### Natural Constraints: Slopes 20->40%

**Human Constraints:** small easterly portion of lot is within an infrastructure setback buffer area **Official Plan:** Mixed Use Area

**Zoning:** R4-1100

Access: Year round maintained local road

Servicing: Municipal piped water and sewer

#### **OSRA Status:** None

**Technical Background Report(s):** Site Plan - Ground Floor, Site Plan Landscape/Lighting, Site Plan Roof Level, Site Plan Basement/Foundation, Render Angles by Wayne Simpson & Associates Inc.; Elevations by Huis Design Studio

#### Discussion

#### Town of Huntsville Official Plan

As this application was submitted prior to the approval of the 2019 Official Plan it must be reviewed under the policies of the 2006 Official Plan, however, the proposal appears to also meet the intent of the policies of the new Official Plan.

The subject lands are designated Main Street West Mixed Use Area in the Town's Official Plan. Section 4.10.1.2 states that development shall be oriented to residential uses. Further, the Official Plan states that multiple residential development shall be compact in nature, within the Main Street West Mixed Use Area (4.10.1.4). Additionally, Section 4.4.3 and 4.4.1 state that housing of varied sizes, densities and tenures shall be provided and the creation of dwellings is encouraged. Additionally, the Official Plan promotes intensification of areas suitable for residential development (4.4.4). As this lot is located within close proximity to amenities that support residential development the lot is an ideal for residential intensification.

#### **District of Muskoka Official Plan**

The lands are included in the "Urban Centre" designation. The proposal would appear to conform to the intent of the District Official Plan.

#### **Provincial Policy Statement**

The 2014 Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) applies to this proposal. The PPS indicates that settlement areas shall be the focus of growth and their vitality and regeneration shall be promoted. Land use patterns within settlement areas shall also be based on densities that efficiently use land and infrastructure. The PPS also encourages intensification and compact form. The PPS further promotes development in settlement areas on full municipal water and sewer services and in close proximity to urban amenities.

In view of the foregoing, the application would appear to conform to the intent of the Official Plan and be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

#### Zoning By-law

The property is zoned Residential Four (R4) with exception 1100, which permits a maximum development of 48 townhouses or apartment style dwellings on site. The proposed use is in keeping with the site-specific permissions, and the development appears to generally meet all of the relevant provisions of Town of Huntsville Zoning By-law 2008-66P, as amended, except where noted below.

Some minor amendments to the site plan are required, including relocating the garbage enclosure proposed to be located between the building and the front lot line, providing a loading space on site, and ensuring consistency between information provided throughout the set of plans.

#### Parking

Confirmation on the functionality of some of the parking spaces within the underground parking structure is required. The surface barrier-free parking spaces should have direct sidewalk access to the main entrances of the buildings. Parking spaces should be dimensioned, and the required 20% of larger (3mx6m) spaces should be delineated to ensure compliance.

Elevations

No concerns.

#### Lighting Plan

A lighting plan showing exterior lighting locations, specifications on the fixtures proposed, as well as footcandle projections for any stand alone lighting (ie pole lighting) is required to be provided.

#### Landscape Plans

The plans do not appear to show any detailed distinctive plantings proposed. Staff encourage the applicant to provide additional landscaping than sod internal to the development. The garbage enclosures also appear to be within landscaped areas.

#### Site Servicing, Grading and Stormwater Management

Comments are forthcoming from the District of Muskoka Engineering and Public Works Department as well as the Town's Operations Department.

#### **Next Steps**

It is not anticipated that the above noted outstanding comments will significantly alter the site design as currently proposed, and as such staff are recommending approval of this application, subject to conditions.

The proposal for the site plan agreement would appear to facilitate development that would conform to the intent of the Official Plan and be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

#### Options

Committee could recommend denial of the application; however, that is not recommended, as it would appear to conform to the intent of the Official Plan and be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

#### Council Strategic Direction / Relevant Policies / Legislation / Resolutions

#### Strategic Plan

Natural Environment & Sustainability Goal 2.2: Integrate sustainability principles into planning & development policies and processes.

Communications Goal 1.4: Awareness - to increase awareness of Town Services and events. Communications Goal 2.1: Community engagement - increase opportunities for public engagement.

#### Unity Plan Economic Considerations

Goal 11: Economic Development: Huntsville will promote a diverse and prosperous economy by attracting innovation, growing a knowledge-based economy, providing adequate training, developing green jobs, and offering sustainable year round employment to retain Huntsville's youth.

#### **Social Considerations**

Goal 6: Social well-being: The community will encourage and support social diversity and personal sense of well-being by improving accessibility, promoting volunteerism, striving to reduce poverty, and maintaining a healthy, safe, friendly community to live, work, and play for all ages, cultures and abilities.

#### **Environmental Considerations**

Goal 1: Environmental Protection: The community will protect, preserve, restore, and enhance the terrestrial and aquatic environments and biodiversity of Huntsville and surrounding area by being responsible stewards of the environment.

#### **Relevant Policies/Legislation/Resolutions**

Provincial Policy Statements Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, cP.13 District of Muskoka Official Plan Town of Huntsville Official Plan Zoning By-law 2008-66P, as amended Delegation of authority by-law 2019-106

#### Attachments

Attachment #1: Site Plan Attachment #2: Landscape/Lighting Plan Attachment #3: Roof Plan Attachment #4: Basement Plan Attachment #5: Renderings Attachment #6: Elevations Attachment #7: Site Photos

#### Consultations

The application was circulated in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act.

Respectfully Submitted: Eliz

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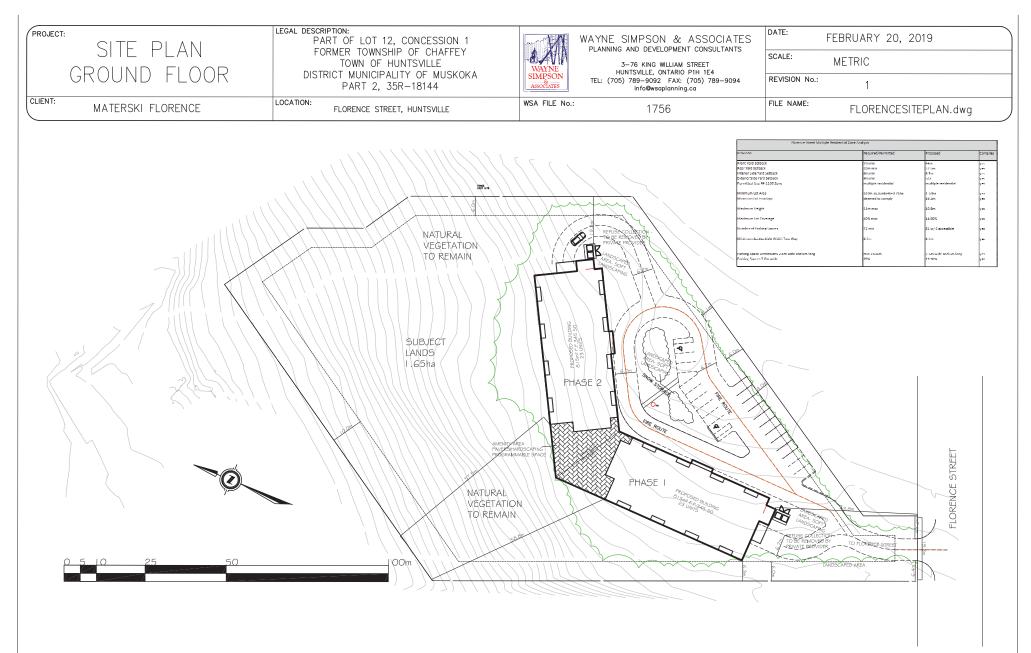
Manager Approval (if required):

**Director Approval:** 

Kirstin Maxwell, Director of Development Services

CAO Approval:

### Attachment #1: Site Plan

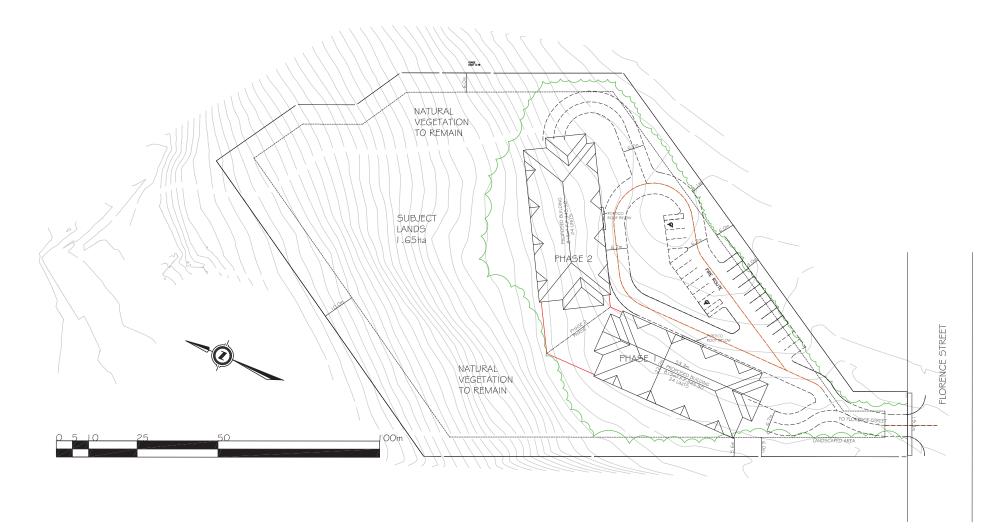


### Attachment #2: Landscape/Lighting Plan



### Attachment #3: Roof Level Plan

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# Attachment #4: Basement/Foundation Plan

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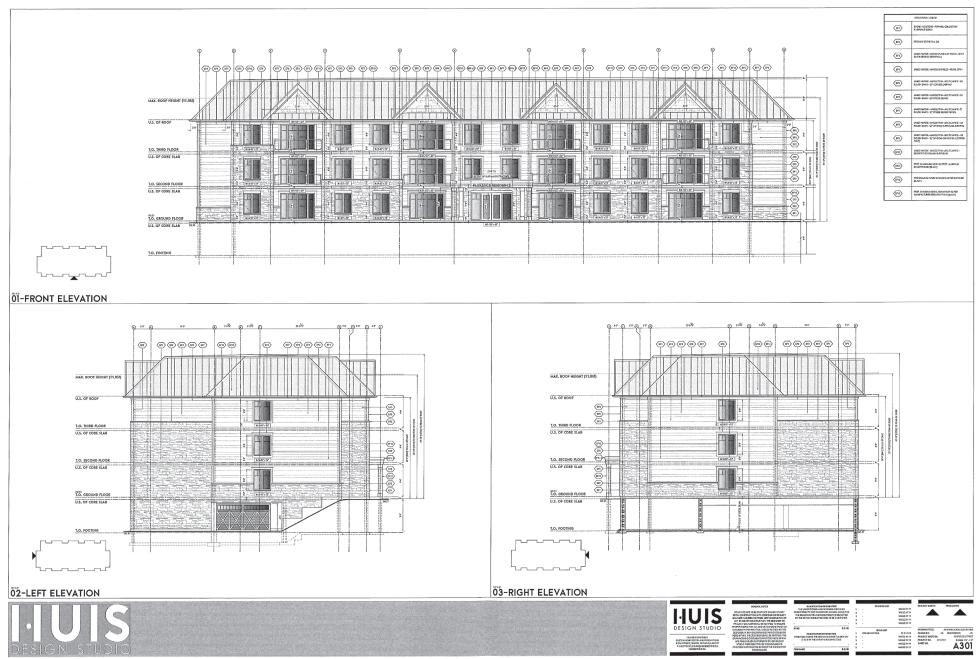








### **Attachment #6: Elevations**



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