



TOPCA STATEMENT

DATE: March 10, 2017

RE: PUBLIC PROCESS FOR THE PORT CREDIT BROWNFIELD SITE

The Town of Port Credit Association (TOPCA) has posted the announcement concerning Imperial Oil's divestment of the 73-acre brownfield site at 70 Mississauga Road South. We congratulate **Port Credit West Village Partners Inc. (WVP)** on their selection to purchase and develop the property via Imperial Oil's Request for Proposal (RFP) process which began in February 2016.

Dating back to March 2011 when TOPCA first brought Imperial Oil into the community at the Town Hall meeting '**Ramping Up the Port Credit Vision**', resident involvement in the process of developing what is unquestionably the most valuable 73 acre parcel of land on the shores of Lake Ontario, has been ongoing. With this most recent announcement, the community vision and local area plan 'Evolving the Urban Village' can now tangibly move forward after many years (decades).

Prior to Imperial Oil's RFP submission deadline of June 30, 2016, the TOPCA Executive was approached by one of three short-listed development groups with a request to review their proposal vis-a-vis potential community concerns. As a result, the TOPCA Executive provided West Village Partners with a [Letter of Support \(June 24, 2016\)](#) specific only to WVP's plans to interact with the community and solicit public input related to the Imperial Oil brownfield.

As part of the "due diligence" process WVP is pursuing (*as referenced in the announcement*), the TOPCA Executive is attending a series of WVP-led education sessions with representatives of other Port Credit stakeholder groups, along with City planning staff and Councillor Jim Tovey and Ward 1 office staff. Topics include project financing, development charges, phased environmental remediation, residential formats, community amenities, heritage preservation, shoreline restoration, stormwater and utility servicing, retail and commercial uses, transportation and site plan configuration. We appreciate this opportunity to become more literate about this complex site and flag any early questions or concerns.

NOTE: The TOPCA Executive continues to promote good planning that encompasses not only land use, massing, density and transportation impact, but also the developers' willingness to work with residents and respect the outcomes of the multi-year Inspiration Port Credit process. We have yet to provide any formal opinion on the development plans for the Brownfield site, pending public participation.

Following the closure of the purchase transaction near the end of March 2017, the development of a finalized Master Plan for the property will begin, entailing further engagement with stakeholder organizations and the City. As part of the formal application process, public meetings will be held. We encourage TOPCA members to participate / collaborate in this process which will involve the developers, the City and the citizens. Our objective throughout the entire engagement process will be to promote maximum public (community) value and implementation of the Port Credit Vision.

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