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Statement regarding Land Use Changes

Recently, City Officials were made aware of the announcement by Lakeside Partnership regarding their desire to consider redevelopment of the Lakeside Greens Golf Course into new residential development.

The lands are designated for parks and open space use in the Municipal Development Plan. At this time, the City has not received a formal proposal from the Lakeside Partnership, but the plan described in the announcement is currently not permitted under local and provincial regulations.

Any proposal to redevelop lands in a way that is different than their current designated land use would require significant changes to local laws.

The process to allow a development to take place in an already established community must include a public hearing under the Municipal Government Act (MGA), amendments to the Municipal Development Plan, and amendments to the Land Use Bylaw. Additional requirements may be necessary and may also include the creation of an area redevelopment plan and the possible creation of an outline plan, depending on the application submitted, if any.

To move forward, all components would need to be approved by City Council, in adherence with the MGA. Council has the authority to deny, approve or request changes to proposals of this nature, including requesting additional public engagement beyond the required public hearing.

For more information on the specific plans of the Lakeside Partnership, please connect with them directly.

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