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SITE PLAN APPLICATION - Process Guidelines

This Guideline has two parts:

1.0 Site Plan Approval Process & Procedures

2.0 Drawing Requirements (drawings required including checklists, and standards notes)

The guideline is intended to provide a road map for the site plan application process, including drawing requirements, standard letter of credit format, Site Plan undertaking forms, securities.

The Council of the City of Mississauga, under Section 41 of the Planning Act, passed Site Plan Control By-law 0293-2006, as amended, designating all of the lands within the municipality, with certain exceptions, as a Site Plan Control area.

Site plan application approval considers the following:

- Location and design of buildings and structures
- Urban and landscape design
- Sustainable design elements

The Site Plan Approval process is a key component in the implementation of the policies in Mississauga Official Plan, and relate to technical matters such as transportation, environment and design.

Planning and Building Department, Site Plan Application webpage:
Site Plan Information

ePlans webpage (on-line submission for applications)
ePlans

Applicants should contact the Planning and Building Department through the City’s main information line at (905) 615-4311 to determine if a particular development is subject to Site Plan Approval.
Site Plan Process Flow Chart

1. Submit Pre-Application Meeting request through ePlans
2. Pre-Application meeting or review
3. Submit complete Site Plan Application through ePlans
4. Pay fees and complete ePlans fee payment task
5. Application circulated electronically to departments and external agencies for review and comment
6. Comments received and reviewed by Development Planner and released to the applicant through ePlans (Project Status Report)
7. Resubmission of revised drawings and documents with responses to all comments through ePlans
8. Final approved plans digitally stamped and saved in approved folder in ePlans
9. Approval notification and access to approved plans sent to applicable stakeholders (applicant, building department etc.)
1.0 SITE PLAN PROCESS & PROCEDURES

All site plan applications MUST first go through the "pre-application meeting request" process, prior to submitting for an application.

1.1 PRE-APPLICATION MEETING REQUEST

1.1.1 Purpose:

The purpose of the pre-application meeting request is to allow Planning staff to review the proposal and determine the appropriate type of site plan application the proposal will require (Section 1.2 describes types of site plan applications).

A meeting may or may not be held, depending on the complexity of the proposal. If a meeting is scheduled, the applicant presents their proposal and there is an opportunity for discussion based on the review of the proposal by Planning staff. After the meeting, a list of submission requirements will be available to the applicant within the project file in ePlans.

1.1.2 How to Request a Pre-application Meeting:

A "pre-application meeting request for development applications" is required to be submitted prior to a site plan application and is submitted through ePlans. See link below for what to submit and how to submit.

[How and What to Submit for a Pre-application Meeting]

1.1.3 Timing:

A pre-application meeting request information will be reviewed and a meeting scheduled approximately 7 business days of receiving the request.
1.2 TYPES OF SITE PLAN APPLICATIONS

A site plan application could fall within one of the following application types, depending on the complexity of the development. The various types are outlined as follows.

1.2.1 Standard Site Plan Application (SP)

A standard site plan application is required for all new development, such as new multi-unit residential developments, commercial and industrial developments, as well as for major additions and site layout amendments.

1.2.3 Limited Site Plan Application (SPM)

A limited site plan application is required when the proposed project is minor in nature and warrants a limited circulation to internal departments and external agencies. A limited site plan application could include minor building alterations/additions or site revisions that do not significantly reduce landscaped areas or interfere with fire routes/emergency access.

1.2.4 Site Plan Approval Express (SPAX)

A site plan approval express is not circulated to other departments and external agencies, there is no formal circulation of the drawings. The proposal would be very minor in nature and could include an outdoor patio accessory to a restaurant, or minor amendments to the site.

1.2.5 Infill Housing (New Dwellings, Replacement Housing and Additions) (SPI)

Specific residential areas in the City are subject to site plan approval to ensure that the construction of new dwellings, replacement housing and additions retain and complement the overall character of the community’s existing housing stock and natural areas, and contribute to the diversity and unique qualities of the neighbourhood.
Design guidelines, to assist applicants can be found are the following link.  
New Dwelling, Replacement Housing and Additions - Design Guidelines and Site Plan Requirements

1.2.6 Development Not Subject to Site Plan Approval (DNS)

Some very small changes to the site can be deemed development not subject to site plan review and approval, as per City Council adoption of the "Development Not Subject to Site Plan Review and Approval Corporate Policy 07-01-01.

1.3 SUBMITTING A SITE PLAN APPLICATION

A site plan application request is submitted through ePlans, only after a 'pre-application meeting request' has been completed. A pre-application number is required to be inputted in the site plan approval request form.

A site plan application is not accepted until all requirements have been submitted. Once accepted, the applicant will be requested to pay the application fee. After the fee is paid, the application is created and circulated.

Payment of the application fee may be made by credit card, debit, cash or cheque which is payable to the City of Mississauga.

1.3.1 How to Submit

All site plan applications are submitted through ePlans. The link to ePlans is provided below and a How to Use ePlans booklet is available on the log in page of ePlans.  
ePlans Log in

1.3.2 What to Submit

All drawings and requirements listed on the Submission Requirement list provided after the Pre-application meeting must be submitted.
The site plan application form must be completely filled out including owner’s signatures and commission of oath as required. Link to the site plan application form is as follows.  
Site Plan Application Form

1.3.3 Drawing Requirements

All drawings must be VECTOR based.

Each drawing should be uploaded individually in ePlans

Drawings must be named according to the naming convention (see ePlans Applicant User Guide, page 3)  
Applicant User Guide for ePlans

See Part B for a complete list of drawing requirements, standard notes, and drawing names.

1.4 REVIEW OF SITE PLAN APPLICATION

1.4.1 Circulation of Site Plan

The Planner will determine which departments and agencies the site plan application is circulated to for comments. Each department will review the application and provide comments/approval. A Project Status Report will be provided to the applicant once all comments have been inputted into ePlans. The timing for the first submission review is approximately 4-6 weeks.

Below is a list of departments and agencies that could be circulated the site plan application. A detailed list of what their review would entail is located in Appendix 1 of this document.

Planning and Building Department  
Transportation and Works Department  
Community Services  
Mississauga Transit  
Hurontario Light Rapid Transit Project  
Bus Rapid Transit Corridor
1.4.2 Comments Provided to Applicant

The Planner will release the file to the applicant. Once released, the applicant will have access to the file through ePlans and will be able to view the "Project Status Report". The Project Status Report is a list of all comments received by the various internal departments and external agencies. Comments are received in the form of mark-ups on the drawings and checklist report items.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to address each of the mark-ups/comments indicated. In addition, the applicant will indicate how each item has been addressed on the Checklist Report when completing their task.

If the revised drawings do not address all of the comments, the Planner may return the file to the applicant.

If the comments are of a significant nature, or the applicant is unsure how to address some or all of the comments, the applicant should follow up with the reviewer directly or contact the Planner.

Once all comments have been addressed, the applicant will complete their task in ePlans and send the file back to the City.

Staff will review corrections and this back and forth will continue until the site plan has reached a satisfactory stage.

1.4.3 When to Submit a Landscape Plan

When the applicant has addressed all issues related to the location and layout of any buildings, parking, landscape area, and fire route, Landscape Plans should be
uploaded into ePlans for review and approval by the Landscape Architect. This should occur no later than the second submission for recirculation.

A landscape plan approval is a part of the Site Plan Approval process to ensure that an acceptable level of site works is provided by the proponent as part of their proposed development in order to contribute to the overall objectives of Mississauga Official Plan. Authority to issues Landscape Plan Approval is mandated under Section 41 of the Ontario Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13.

1.4.4 Security Requirements

The Project Status Report may include a request for securities to ensure that the site works, including tree protection, are completed in accordance with the approved site plan drawings.

Securities in the form of a letter of credit, certified cheque, bank draft or cash must be received prior to approval of the Site Plan and Landscape Plan.

Acceptable Letters of Credit must be drawn from a bank set out in Schedule 1 of the Bank Act (R.S.C. 1985, C.B-1.01, and any amendments thereto) or a bank listed in Schedule 2 of the Bank Act (R.S.C. 1985, C.B-1.01, and any amendments thereto) having a Dominion Bond Rating Service of R-1.

The standards form for the Unit Cost for Site Works, Standard Format for Cost Estimate and Letter of Credit can be found on the Site Plan Application webpage at the following link.

Security Requirement Forms

1.4.5 Site Plan Undertaking

A Site Plan Undertaking is required for all applications to ensure that the approved site works are completed as shown on the approved plans.
A complete, original copy of the Site Plan Undertaking is required prior to issuance of the Site Plan Approval. The undertaking must be signed by the OWNER, and must reflect the amount of securities posted for the application. The name on the Site Plan Undertaking must be the same as the name providing the site works securities.

There are two undertaking forms available: one for Corporations and one for individuals. See links noted below.

**Site Plan Undertaking Forms**

In certain circumstances, special provisions, conditions or requirements may be warranted relating to the phasing of development, interim site conditions, timing issues associated with the construction of boulevard streetscaping and works, noise attenuation and/or environmental issues. Also on occasion, previous Development Agreements applying to the lands may need to be amended or modified. In these situations, the City may require the land owner to enter into a Site Plan Agreement that will be registered on title to the lands in lieu of or in addition to requiring a Site Plan Undertaking.

### 1.5 APPROVAL OF SITE PLAN AND LANDSCAPE PLANS

#### 1.5.1 When is Site Plan Approval Issued and How Long is it Valid

Site Plan Approval will be issued once all comments have been addressed and cleared, the Landscape Plans have been approved, the required securities posted and the Site Plan Undertaking has been received.

Stamped approved drawings will be located in ePlans within the ‘approved folder’.

Site Plan Approval is valid for one year from the date of approval.

#### 1.5.2 Cancelling Site Plan Approval

When Site Plan Approval has been issued and the owner chooses not to pursue the development, written authorization on corporate letterhead (if applicable), will be required from the owner indicating their intent to close the file. Staff will confirm that no building permits have been issued and no site works have been undertaken, then
Site Plan Approval will be revoked and the securities held for site works completion will be returned.

1.5.3 Inactive Site Plan Applications

If there is no activity on a file for three months or longer from the date of the last activity by either the City or the applicant, a letter will be sent to the applicant informing them that unless a resubmission addressing outstanding matters is received within a month, the file will be closed by the Development and Design Division without further notice. Inspection fees and securities will be returned to the applicant prior to the closing of the file.

If after the file is closed, the applicant wishes to again pursue the application, a new file and application fee in accordance with the current Planning Act Processing Fees By-law will be required. If the applicant submits a written request to withdraw or discontinue the application or if the Development and Design Division closes the application due to inactivity, refunds of application fees are available upon request.

1.6 SITE INSPECTION PROCESS

1.6.1 Completion of Works and Inspections

Upon completion of all site works, including construction, landscaping, sodding and paving, the applicant is to submit a “Landscape – Reduction of Letter of Credit” and/or “Landscape – Inspection of Final Site Works”, along with the applicable inspection fee to the Landscape Architectural Technologist. A site inspection will then be completed. Securities will be returned to the owner after the inspection and approval of the built site works.

The terms of the Site Plan Undertaking indicate that the owner has 18 months to complete the site works from the date of Site Plan Approval. After this time, the City may draw upon the securities to complete the site works. A tree preservation assessment may require an additional growing season, and securities may be held for two years if the hoarding is not in place during all phases of construction or if damage due to construction practices is observed.
If applicable, additional inspections may be required by the Community Services Department for the release of securities held for the preservation of City owned trees, for parkland protection, reinstatement, streetscape works and fencing.

Additional inspections may be required by the Transportation and Works Department for the release of securities depending on the nature of site issues.

1.6.2 General Policies

All site and landscape works are to be completed in accordance with the approved Site Plans.

Inspection dates are posted 18 months from the time of Site Plan Approval or in accordance with the Site Plan Undertaking provided by the owner. Inspection fees must be submitted at the time of the inspection request for both the initial inspection and each additional inspection(s).

The owner must ensure that the following items are completed prior to requesting an inspection for approval:

- final coat of asphalt and parking lines
- parking stalls for persons with disabilities (curb cuts, flush thresholds) and signs
- roof top mechanical unit screening
- park reinstatement works

Any revisions to the approved works must be approved by the Development and Design Division, which may require a revised Site Plan submission or an as-built landscape drawing, depending on if the built works are substantially different from the approved drawings.

Contractors' warranties will not be accepted in the place of site works completion for the purpose of a security release.

Securities will be drawn upon by the City if steps are not taken by the owner to rectify deficient works.
1.6.3 Reductions and/or Release to Letter of Credit

Reductions to the Letter of Credit may be done between November 1st and April 30th, and will be based on the staffs’ assessment of outstanding site works. Final approval of site works and release of Letters of Credit may be done between May 1st and October 31st (weather dependent).

The minimum reduction to the Letter of Credit will be 20% of the total value or not less than $5,000.00 dollars. Only one reduction to the Letter of Credit may be permitted prior to the approval of the site works by the Planning and Building Department.

The consulting Landscape Architect is to submit an original Landscape – Reduction of Letter of Credit form noting substantial completion and/or the Landscape – Inspection of Final Site Works form.

Securities provided for Site Plan Approval are solely for the completion of site works, and cannot be used for the payment of unpaid consultant's accounts or to pay for required site works and/or inspection fees (refer to authority of the municipality in the Planning Act).

Upon written notice of the site works completion and receipt of inspection fee, staff will visit the site for an inspection.

Staff will inspect the site to confirm installation of the works shown on the drawings included in the Site Plan Approval package.

An Inspection Report will be forwarded to the applicant and the consulting Landscape Architect if there are site deficiencies.

Upon acceptance of the site works, an approval notice will be issued to the Finance Division.

Please contact all commenting Departments/agencies who have requested securities as part of the site plan application, to make arrangement for the reduction or release of their respective securities (i.e. Community Services/Forestry/Parks Planning and Transportation and Works Department).
1.6.4 Revisions to Approved Site Plans

If the applicant wishes to make any changes to the approved site plan drawings, the revised information must be submitted as a “pre-application meeting request” for review and to determine what form of site plan application the revisions will be documented in.

1.6.5 Revisions to Approved Landscape Plan

General Revisions
Any revision to the Landscape Plans must be submitted to the Planning and Building Department for review and approval before the commencement of the works.

Condominiums
No revisions to the approved landscape plans will be permitted after the registration of the condominium

Townhouses
No revisions to the approved landscape plans will be permitted without the consent of the owner of the unit.
2.0 DESIGN STANDARDS & DRAWING REQUIREMENTS

2.1 DESIGN STANDARDS

All required plans (Site Plan, Landscape Plan, Streetscape Plan, Grading Plan, Elevation Drawing, etc.) should be consistent and must include the following information:

- Show building locations including entrances
- All proposed structures (retaining walls, accessory buildings)
- Pedestrian Circulation
- Vehicular Circulation
- Multi-modal Circulation (bike lanes, transit stops, etc.)
- Driveways, parking, walkways, etc.
- Proposed grades (spot elevations)
- Location of services, utilities and easements which are proposed or to remain
- Construction area requirements (area around the proposed buildings required for excavation of foundations and access during construction or areas for stockpiling)
- Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) constraints
- Landscape buffers and areas as per the City’s Zoning By-law
- Fencing and garbage enclosures
- Amenity Spaces

A site plan must be prepared by an accredited Architect or Professional Engineer or Landscape Architect.

2.1.2 PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION

Indicate all pedestrian circulations on the site plan, including walkways, stairs and ramps. Provide a barrier free pedestrian network throughout the site (refer to Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and City of Mississauga Accessibility Guidelines).
2.1.2.1 Walkways

Pedestrian walkways must be raised approximately 15 cm from vehicular traffic to provide definition and protection of pedestrian traffic.

Standard minimum width of a pedestrian walkway is 1.5 m.

Accessible pedestrian routes must be 1.8 metres in width.

Standard minimum width of a pedestrian walkway adjacent to the end of parking spaces is 1.8 m.

Walkways must be a hard surface material other than asphalt.

Pedestrian walkways are to be provided to the following areas:

- Building ingress and egress
- Parking areas
- Municipal sidewalks (including adjacent bus stops)
- Common amenity areas

2.1.3 VEHICULAR CIRCULATION

Indicate all vehicular circulations on the site plan, including passenger cars, waste management vehicles, emergency vehicles, and service vehicles.

2.1.3.1 Fire Routes

Fire and Emergency Services access routes will:

- Be connected to a public thoroughfare by an entrance not less than 6 m wide
- Have a clear driving width not less than 6 m
- Be located not less than 3 m and not more than 15 m from the face of the building (measured horizontally and at right angles)
- Have an overhead clearance not less than 5
- Have a center line turning radius of not less than 12 m for any change in direction of the access route complete with 3 m clearance from the centre line to any obstruction such as islands or parking
- Have turn-around facilities for any dead end portion of the access route exceeding 90 m
- Be designed to provide access to the building face which contains the principal entrance when only one building face is accessible
- Be designated as per By law 1036 81, as amended, prior to occupancy of the building
- Be constructed of hard surface material such as asphalt, concrete or lockstone and designed to support a load of not less than 11 363 kg per axle and have a change in gradient of not more than 1 in 12.5 (8%) over a minimum distance of 15 m

2.1.3.2 Waste Management

Indicate and dimension the location of interior and/or exterior garbage, recycling and composting storage and handling facilities.

Indicate if there will be private or municipal garbage pick-up.

For further information on Regional Site Plan criteria see the “Waste Collection Design Standards Manual” at the link below or contact the Waste Management Division at (905) 791-9499.

2.1.3.3 Parking / Loading/Traffic Islands

The location and dimension of parking spaces and loading areas shall be included on the Site Plan based on the Zoning By-law requirements.

Zoning By-law

Major internal vehicular routes are to be defined with minimum 3 metre wide raised and curbed traffic islands. Vehicular accesses to the site are to be defined by a minimum 3 m wide landscaped area.
2.1.3.4 Curbing

The type and location of curbing shall be indicated on the Site Plan. Continuous 15 cm high barrier type poured concrete curbing will be required between vehicular routes/parking stalls and landscaped areas. Provide curb cuts or depressed curbs where pedestrian walkways cross vehicular routes and to accommodate accessible design.

2.1.3.5 Accessible Design

Accessible design requires that the building be accessible to persons with disabilities and shall conform to Ontario Building Code, Section 3.8, as amended.

In addition, please refer to the guidelines in the “2015 Facility Accessibility Design Standards” and Zoning By-law available on-line at the below links.

Facility Accessibility Design Standards
Zoning By-law

2.1.4 SIGNAGE

Signs are not approved through the Site Plan application process. All signage is approved through the Sign Unit of the Planning and Building Department. Signage must comply with the provisions of Sign By-law 0054-02, as amended. Contact the Sign Unit of the Planning and Building Department at (905) 615-4311 for further information.

Ground signs can be shown on the landscape plan for information purposes. When shown, the Landscape Architect will ensure that the plantings are appropriate in relation to the sign.

Fascia signs are to be shown on the building elevations. The actual wording should not be shown included only the location of the signage on the building.

A note should be included on all drawings which include signage information (see Standard Note section).
2.1.5 GRADING PLANS

The Surveyor must base any topographic surveys on the City of Mississauga benchmarks and not geodetic elevations. The location and published elevation of an existing City of Mississauga benchmark is to be noted on the plans. All elevations shown on the Site Plan shall be related to the above noted City of Mississauga published benchmark elevation. Contact the Transportation and Works Department at 905-615-4950 for more information.

The Site Plan must identify spot elevations at
- property boundaries
- corners of proposed structures including finished floor elevations
- base of significant vegetation to be preserved
- the limits of the proposed development.

2.1.6 COMPOSITE UTILITY PLAN

Composite Utility Plans are required and reviewed in conjunction with Streetscape Works for all types of development proposals located along Corridors, Intensification Corridors, within Major Nodes, Community Nodes and Downtown. These areas are identified on Schedule 1b and 1c of Mississauga Official Plan. See link for Mississauga Official Plan. [Official Plan](#)

The information on the Utility Plan also forms the basis for a Public Utilities Coordination Committee (P.U.C.C.) submission which is required as a condition of Site Plan approval.

Utility plans are based on the physical locates of all existing utilities/services within the municipal boulevard along the frontage(s) of the site. The physical locates must be obtained from test pits at reasonable intervals and/or by surface geophysics. The applicant/owner is responsible for all costs associated with relocating any utilities/services as required to accommodate the streetscape design. Streetscape securities are to include these costs.

Should utilities be required to be re-located in order to accommodate the street tree corridor, a utility relocation plan is required.
Utilities are defined as any structures above or below ground which exist on City property and include, but not limited to:

- buried and aerial hydro cable and ducts
- telephone, cable, television and internet communication cables
- trees
- water, including underground pipes, hydrant and valves
- sanitary and storm sewer pipes, including catch basins and manholes
- gas lines
- meters, handwells and vaults

The Utility Plan must illustrate:

- a clear legend
- drawings to a scale of 1:200 metric
- the limits of the development application, streetline, abutting municipal boulevards, curb line, sidewalk, splash pad, street names, existing above and below ground utilities/services
- all relevant dimensions and offsets from the property line
- identify all existing easements with the associated registration number

The Utility Plan Cross Sections must illustrate:

- drawings to a scale of 1:50 metric
- the area between the property line and the curb line
- the vertical and horizontal locations and applicable dimensions for all existing above and belowground utilities/services
- must be taken at intervals as required to depict any variation in offsets of existing utilities
- The consulting professional engineer is to certify on the plan that the information on the plan is complete, accurate and based on physical locates as described above.

2.1.7 STREETSCAPE PLAN

A streetscape plan may also be required and requested by the City.
2.1.8 ENGINEER CERTIFIED LIGHTING PLAN

Engineer Certified Lighting Plans are required for the exterior lighting on a property for all Site Plan applications located within 60 metres of a residentially zoned property per Corporate Report dated November 13, 2012 titled 'The city of Mississauga – Outdoor Lighting Review'. Plans are to be prepared by a qualified Electrical Engineer. Site Plan applications for detached and semi-detached dwellings are excluded.

The Engineer Certified Lighting Plan must illustrate:

- the location, number, type, position, elevation and mounting height of all exterior light fixtures including exterior lighting on timers
- the Elevation drawings must show the height and type of "shielded" lighting fixture. All proposed exterior lighting is required to be "shielded" (See Appendix 2 for examples of acceptable/unacceptable lighting fixtures).
- the light spread pattern drawing along with all the exterior light fixture information must be shown on the Engineering Certified Lighting Plan
- the Engineer Certified Lighting Plan must conform to the Site Plan
- the site works securities are required to ensure that the lighting is "shielded" and installed correctly as per the approved Site Plan and Engineer Certified Lighting Plan. The Site Plan securities for exterior lighting include the external 'freestanding' fixtures, including pole-mounted lighting, bollards, in-ground lighting, flood-lights, etc. A lump sum security will be required for wall mounted fixtures

2.1.9 TREE INVENTORY AND PRESERVATION PLAN

A Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan, including an Arborist Report may be required as part of the Site Plan application.

The Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan illustrate all existing trees and vegetation on site. It includes an overlay of the proposed development and indicates trees and vegetation to be preserved and removed. The Inventory provides specific information on tree identification, size, condition, and location and tree health.
An Arborist Report is an independent report prepared by a qualified professional arborist containing specific observations and information on tree identification, size, condition, location and tree health.

It may also include recommended actions, potential impacts of development, and mitigation measures relating to one or more trees on an individual lot or project site. The report may require amendments as conditions change over time. The report may address specific requirements for a project or jurisdiction.

The Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan, including the Arborist Report shall include the following information:

- property owner(s) and applicant's name, address, phone number and email
- the certified Landscape Architect’s information for the Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan
- the certified Arborist’s information including supporting development application file number (Site Plan, Zoning, Subdivision, Condominium, etc.) for an Arborist Report

All trees allocated for preservation should be properly tagged on-site in accordance with the Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan and protected with hoarding prior to issuance of Tree Permit application and/or Site Plan Approval.

Tree permit application information can be found at the following link. 
Forestry Tree Protection By-law and Permit Requirements

2.1.9.1 Hoarding Requirements

Framed Hoarding is temporary fencing, to be in place around existing trees to be preserved for the duration of construction. Framed hoarding is defined as plastic safety fencing supported by iron "T" stakes at 2.0 m (6 ft. 7 in.) on centre and supported with a wooden frame of 38mm x 89mm (2” x 4”) slats across the top and bottom.

Solid Wood Hoarding is temporary fencing, to be in place for the duration of construction activity, placed around significant existing trees to be preserved and/or where site conditions are constrained, adjacent to tree preservation areas.
Hoardings are defined as a solid wood structure/fence, generally of plywood, with a minimum height of 1.2 m (4 ft.).

The Development and Design Division hoarding specification details can be found at the following link. [Hoardings Detail](#)

Hoardings specifications for the Community Services Department can be found under Planting Details – Tree Preservation Hoarding at the following link. [Community Services - Hoarding Detail](#)

### 2.1.10 Environmental Impact Study

The purpose of an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) is to determine the impact of the proposed development on the existing site conditions and the surrounding area, and recommend ways to minimize environmental impacts. The Terms of Reference for this type of study is often scoped to address the specific issues pertaining to each property. The applicant will be advised at the pre-application meeting if an EIS is required, after which they will work with the Community Services Department, and often the relevant Conservation Authority staff, to prepare an acceptable Terms of Reference to scope the EIS.

### 2.2 Drawing Requirements

#### 2.2.1 Drawings

All drawings must be/contain:

- PDF or vector PDF is preferred standard of drawings
- Uploaded to ePlans as an individual page
- Under 1GB in size
- Named according to the naming convention
- Contain standard notes, north arrow, scale, key location plan
- Top right corner of all drawings should be left blank with the exception of the boarder for City’s electronic approval stamp, refer to the size chart in the ePlans Help and Support information [ePlans Help and Support](#)
2.2.2 Naming of Drawings

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2.3 CHECK LISTS

2.3.1 All Drawings

All drawings should include the following general information:

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2.3.2 Site Plan Drawings

Site Plan drawings should include the following, in addition to the above list.

| Site statistics (lot area, front, gross floor area, parking, loading, etc.) |
| All information in metric |
| Zoning of the property |
| Building dimensions and building entrances |
| Finished floor elevations |
| Adjacent land uses, zoning, structures, abutting street names |
| Setback to all buildings and structures |
| Bus stops, utilities meters and municipal sidewalks |
| Easements |
| Parking spaces, accessible spaces, loading spaces, aisles – all dimensioned |
| Landscape areas/buffers including width dimensions |
| Amenity areas |
| Standard notes as applicable see section below |
| Type of surface (asphalt, concrete) |
| Fire route, including turning radii |
| Community mailbox location |
| Natural features |

2.3.3 Floor Plan Drawings

Floor plans drawings should include the following:

| Dimensions (overall and room dimensions in metric) |
| Label use of spaces |
| Access points to building |
| Roof plan |
| Parking below grade floor plans |
2.3.4 Elevation Drawings

Elevation Drawings should include the following, in addition to the above “All Drawing requirements”.

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2.4 STANDARD NOTES FOR SITE PLAN DRAWINGS

The following notes are to be included on all site plan drawings, where relevant.

2.4.1 General Site Plan Note

This note should be included on all site plan drawings, regardless of type of development being proposed.

General Note:

i. I hereby certify that this drawing confirms in all respects to the site development plans
   Architect or Engineer's Signature (if applicable) and Professional seal

ii. The City of Mississauga requires that all working drawings submitted to the Building
    Division as part of an application for the issuance of a building permit shall be certified
    by the architect or engineer as being in conformity with the site development plan as
    approved by the City of Mississauga.

iii. All exterior lighting will be directed onto the site and will not infringe upon the adjacent
    properties.

iv. All rooftop mechanical units shall be screened from view by the applicant.

v. Parking spaces reserved for people with disabilities must be identified by a sign,
   installed at the applicant’s expense, in accordance with the By-law Requirements and
   Building Code Requirements.

vi. The applicant will be responsible for ensuring that all plans confirm to Transport
    Canada’s restrictions.

vii. Grades will be met with a 33% maximum slope at the property lines and within the site.

viii. All damaged areas are to be reinstated with topsoil and sod prior to the release of
     securities.

ix. Signage shown on the site development plans is for information purposes only. All signs
    will be subject to the provisions of Sign by-law 0054-2002, as amended, and a separate
    sign application will be required through the Building Division.
x. Any fencing adjacent to municipal lands is to be located 15 cm (6.0 in.) inside the property line.

xi. Only “shielded” lighting fixtures are permitted for all development, except for detached and semi-detached dwellings within 60 m (196.8 ft.) of a residentially zoned property and must conform to the Engineer Certified Lighting Plan.

xii. The Engineer Certified Lighting Plan must be signed by the consulting Engineer.

xiii. The Owner covenants and agrees to construct and install “shielded” lighting fixtures on the subject lands, in conformity with the Site Plan and Engineer Certified Lighting Plan to the satisfaction of the City of Mississauga.

xiv. The applicant will be responsible for ensuring that all plans confirm to Transport Canada’s restrictions.

xv. Where planting is to be located in landscaped areas on top of an underground parking structure, it is the responsibility of the applicant to arrange the coordination of the design of the underground parking structure with the Landscape Architect and the Consulting Engineering. Underground parking structures with landscaping area to be capable of supporting the following loads:

- 15 cm of drainage gravel plus 40 cm topsoil for sod
- 15 cm of drainage gravel plus 60 cm topsoil for shrubs
- 15 cm of drainage gravel plus 90 cm for trees

Or

- Prefabricated sheet drain system* with a compressive strength of 1003 Kpa plus 40 cm topsoil for sod
- Prefabricated sheet drain system* with a compressive strength of 1003 Kpa plus 60 cm topsoil for shrubs
- Prefabricated sheet drain system* with a compressive strength of 1003 Kpa plus 90 cm topsoil for trees

* Terradrain 900 or approved equal

xvi. The structural design of any retaining wall over 0.6 m in height or any retaining wall located on a property line is to be shown on the Site Grading plan for this project and is to be approved by the Consulting Engineer for the project.

xvii. Continuous 15 cm high barrier type poured concrete curbing will be provided between all asphalt and landscaped areas throughout the site.

xviii. All utility companies will be notified for locates prior to the installation of the hoarding that lies within the site and within the limited of the City boulevard area.

Additional Standard Notes for Infill House Site Plans

xix. All excess excavated materials will be removed from the site.

xx. There are no existing or proposed easements on the property (if applicable).

xxi. At the entrances to the site, the municipal curb and sidewalk will be continuous through the driveway and a curb depression will be provided for each entrance.
xxii. All proposed curbing at the entrances to the site is to stop at the property line or at the municipal sidewalk.

xxiii. The portions of the driveway within the municipal boulevard will be paved by the applicant.

xxiv. The existing drainage pattern will be maintained.

xxv. All Utility Companies will be notified for locates prior to the installation of the hoarding that lies within the site and within the limits of the City boulevard area.

xxvi. The applicant will be responsible for the cost of any utilities relocations necessitated by the Site Plan.

xxvii. Should the installation of below ground services require hoarding to be removed, Planning and Building staff are to be contacted prior to the commencement of such work. Should an alternative service route not be possible, staff will inspect and document the condition of the vegetation and servicing installation in order to minimize damage to the vegetation.

2.4.2 Tree Protection

The following notes should be included on the site plan drawing.

Tree Protection Note:

The applicant is responsible for ensuring that tree protection hoarding is maintained throughout all phases of demolition and construction in the location and condition as approved by the Planning and Building Department. No materials (building materials, soil, etc.) may be stockpiled within the area of hoarding. Failure to maintain the hoarding as originally approved or the storage of materials within the hoarding will be cause for the Letter of Credit to be held for two years following completion of all site works. Hoarding must be inspected prior to the removal of any tree hoarding from the site.

Owner’s Signature: ________________________

Date: ________________________________

2.4.3 Hoarding Detail

The hoarding detail should be shown on the site plan. Hoarding detail is found at the following link. HoardingDetail
2.4.4 Standard Sign Note

Signs are approved through a separate permit issued by the Sign Unit of the Planning and Building Department.

If sign information has been included on the drawings, please include the sign note.

Sign Note:

Signs are approved under a separate permit process. Sign information shown is for information purposes only.

2.4.5 Owner’s Note

This note should appear on the landscape plan, if there is no landscape plan, this note should be included on the site plan drawing.

Owner’s Note:

We agree to implement the approved Site and Landscape Plans within 18 months after the execution of the Site Plan Undertaking and will retain the Landscape Architect to make periodic site inspections. Upon completion of the works we will forward to the City of Mississauga a copy of the Completion Notification Certificate from the Landscape Architect and the applicable inspection fee.

The Landscape Architect or Consulting Engineer will provide certification to indicate that:
- the recommendations outlined in the Acoustic Vibration Study have been implemented in accordance with the study;
- the Engineering Certificate lighting Plan and the LID techniques for this project have been install in accordance with the approved plans

Any revision to the Site Plan, Landscape Plans and Engineer Certified Lighting Plan (if applicable) will be submitted to the Planning and Building Department, Development and Design Division, City of Mississauga for review and approval, prior to the commencement of the works.

We hereby authorize the City, its authorized agents, servants or employees to enter upon our land to carry out inspections from time to time and agree to indemnify the City and its authorized agents and save them harmless from any and all actions arising out of the exercise by the City, its authorized agents, servants or employees of the rights hereby given to them. We undertake to notify the City forthwith of any change of ownership of the said lands.

Signature of Owner: _____________________
Name of Owner: ________________________
Address: ______________________________
Date: _________________________________
2.4.6 Condominium Declaration for Multiple Facility Residential Developments

The following note should be on the site plan drawing for all multiple residential developments.

Standard Signed Condominium Declaration for Multiple Family Residential Developments:

I hereby certify that the Landscape Plan conforms to the Site Grading and Drainage Plan for this application.

As follows:

DOMINIUM OF CANADA  ) IN THE MATTER OF A
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO  ) MULTIPLE RESIDENTIAL
) BUILDING DEVELOPMENT

REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  ) ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED IN
OF PEEL  ) THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA
) BEING KNOWN AS
TO WIT:  )
) _____________________________
) _____________________________
) _____________________________
) _____________________________

I, ___________________________________________________________

MAKE OATH AND SAY AS FOLLOWS:

1. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF
 WHICH IS THE OWNER AND BUILDER OF MULTI RESIDENTIAL BUILDING(S) ON THE
PROPERTY DESCRIBED ABOVE.

2. THAT THE SAID MULTI RESIDENTIAL BUILDING(S) IS BEING BUILT TO BE SOLD / RENTED
AS CONDOMNIUM / RENTAL TOWNHOUSES / APARTMENTS (AS APPLICABLE).

AND I MAKE THIS SOLEMN DECLARATION CONSCIENTIOUSLY BELIEVING IT TO BE TRUE AND
KNOWING THAT IT IS ON THE SAME FORCE AND EFFECT AS IF I MAKE IT UNDER OATH.

DECLARED BEFORE ME AT THE
IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
THIS______, DAY OF_______
20_______.)

A COMMISSIONER ETC. ____________________________
2.5 LANDSCAPE DESIGN STANDARDS

Applicants are encouraged to work with their consultants to provide innovative or alternative designs that address the criteria outlined in the General Principles.

2.5.1 Sustainability and Low Impact Development Techniques

Mississauga encourages sustainable stormwater management by maximizing the natural infiltration and retention of rainwater through site development. Consider permeable pavement, rainwater harvesting, bioretention systems, green roofs and other technologies. Indicate in the covering letter how sustainable stormwater management has been addressed through the current proposal. Refer to the following website for more information: www.sustainabletechnologies.ca

2.5.2 Streetscape Criteria

Where it has been determined that an upgraded streetscape is necessary, streetscape plans and details must be submitted to the satisfaction of the City. The applicant must provide a concept proposal for the works, a utility plan that identifies that the intended works can be completed and a cost estimate for the proposal. Streetscape plans are subject to the review and approval of City staff and external agencies; once the proposal and cost estimates are approved, securities must be provided. Refer to Appendix 4 – Streetscape Feasibility – Terms of Reference

2.5.3 Design of Traffic Islands / Walkways / Stairs

Traffic islands are to be a minimum of 3 metre wide to accommodate high branching deciduous trees and 0.8 m shorter than the length of the parking stalls. The islands are to be raised and designed to include low maintenance and salt tolerant plant material. Any hard surface paving utilized for islands are to be of a material other than asphalt.

Surfaces for all walkways are to be of a hard surface other than asphalt, with the exception of park path connections.

Exterior stairs are to be poured in place if more than 2 risers high.
2.5.3.1 Front Entrance Walkways

Front entrance walks are required from the driveways to the front entrances of the units. The standard width of a front entrance walk is 0.75 m minimum and should be of a hard surface material other than asphalt.

2.5.3.2 Private Patio Areas

All ground level privacy areas must include a patio area and the proposed materials are to be specified and detailed.

Patios, including wood decks, are to be a minimum 11 m$^2$ in size, not including stairs.

2.5.4 Fencing Requirements

Types of fencing will be reviewed on their own merit on a site-by-site basis. For all fencing requirements adjacent to Parkland or Greenbelt, please reference the fence details at the link provided. Community Services - Fencing Details

2.5.4.1 Solid Wood Screen Fencing

Solid fencing requirements:
- Height is to be 1.8 m to 2 m
- Footings minimum 1.2 m deep in poured concrete
- Posts spacing maximum 2.4 m on centre
- Construction grade wood material is not acceptable
- All hardware to be galvanized
- Step fencing on slopes in 0.3 m increments

Acceptable details must be provided upon request, but alternatives for all types of fencing will be reviewed.
2.5.4.2 Commercial Grade Fencing

Commercial grade fencing is used to separate residential development from commercial or industrial development. This fencing is an upgrade to the solid wood screen fence. The following standards apply:

- Minimum post size 150 mm x 150 mm
- Minimum section thickness 50 mm
- Heavy construction fencing also take the form of concrete or masonry acoustical walls, where applicable
- Locate 0.3 m within commercial property from adjacent residential use

2.5.4.3 Acoustic (Noise) Walls and Fences

The acoustical design and structure of the acoustical walls are to be designed by the Consulting Engineer and reviewed and approved by the Planning and Building and Transportation and Works Departments.

2.5.4.4 Chainlink Fencing

Black vinyl coated chain link fence is required for areas not secured through Plan of Subdivision. Please reference the Community Services Department’s fencing details at the link provided. Community Services - Fence Details.

2.5.4.5 Perimeter Fencing

Fencing that abuts municipal roadways require an upgraded treatment (eg. decorative tubular fencing with plant material, masonry pillars, upgraded wood detailing) and must be located 0.3 m within the property line.

2.5.4.6 Privacy Screens

Privacy screens a minimum of 1.8 m high wood screen fence is required between the rear privacy areas of the units. The standard length of the screens is 3 m minimum between privacy areas and 4.5 m minimum at the ends of the townhouse blocks.
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* 1.8 m heavy construction fencing required if any Commercial development is adjacent to residential development. Acoustic fencing must be installed where required.

** Fencing between detached residential dwellings and parks/greenbelt shall be installed at the owner’s expense. If adjacent to a greenbelt, fencing is to be located entirely on municipal property, 0.15 m inside the greenbelt. If adjacent to a park, fencing is to be located entirely on private property, 0.15 m inside the subject site
2.5.5 Garbage Enclosures

Garbage enclosures are required for external garbage storage areas.

The design of garbage enclosures is to be of a material similar to that of the main building (e.g. masonry). Enclosures will be a minimum 2 m high with swinging gates.

Collection areas are to be adequately screened by planting and fencing.

2.5.6 Mechanical Units

Mechanical units such as air conditioners and heat pumps should be located at the rear of units and must not be within landscape or buffer areas.

2.5.6.1 Utility Location & Screening

Above ground utilities should be located in less prominent areas of developments and limit potential views from the municipal roadway and the proposed development. Where above ground utilities can not be located in discrete areas of the development they must be adequately screened from view using landscaped areas and features.

2.5.7 Outdoor Amenity Area Design

Children's and senior's recreational facilities are to be identified, located and fully dimensioned on the Site Plan. The recreational facilities should be screened from adjacent units, privacy areas of adjacent properties, roadways, parking and service areas while providing adequate security. Access connections are to be provided to the recreational facilities.

2.5.7.2 Children’s Outdoor Amenity Areas

Play areas must comply with current Canadian Standards Association and are required for multiple residential dwellings over 20 units.

See design reference note at link provided. [Outdoor Amenity Areas](#)
2.5.7.3 Senior’s Outdoor Amenity Areas

Senior’s outdoor amenity areas shall provide a range of passive and active experiences to offer opportunities for socialization.

See design reference note at link provided. Outdoor Amenity Areas

A minimum of one tree per lot (space permitting) is to be provided along the street. The use of small ornamental trees is encouraged to complement the streetscape.

2.5.8 Neighbourhood Signs

In accordance with By-law 265-91, the location of any required neighbourhood sign is to be illustrated on the Site Plan submission. Enlargements and details are to be included as part of the Landscape Plans.

2.5.9 Plant Material Specifications

Minimum acceptable sizes for plant material are:

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Also note:

- All plant material to conform to the Canadian Nursery Trades Association Metric Guide Specifications and Standards
- All sod is to conform to the Canadian Nursery Sod Growers’ Specifications
- No planting will be permitted within a drainage swale
- All shrubs to be installed in continuous planting beds
- All grassed areas are to be sodded, unless otherwise agreed to by the Development and Design Division
2.5.9.1 Perimeter Tree Planting Requirements

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**Note:** The requirements of this chart are in addition to any landscape screening requirements.

It is acceptable to provide an equivalent number of trees (based on the spacing formula) in groupings along the property line.

Quantities calculated are to be high branching deciduous trees with an additional minimum 10% to be coniferous trees.)

Common Element Townhouses and On-Street Townhouses require one tree per lot (space permitting) along the street. Planting is not allowed on the parcel of tied land/property lines.

The use of small ornamental trees is encouraged to compliment the streetscape, where space is restricted.
2.5.10 Landscape Screening Criteria

Landscape screening and/or fencing is required to reduce the impact of exposed parking, driveways, storage, services, garbage, loading areas, and other non-compatible uses and is to be provided in addition to perimeter tree planting requirements. This shall consist of one or a combination of the following alternatives:

- Berming (1 m high minimum with a maximum 33% slope) and planting consisting of shrubs and coniferous planting;
- Planting consisting of shrubs and trees with 50% being coniferous planting;
- Low decorative screen walls (1 m high); and,
- Other site specific methods appropriate to the application
2.6  LANDSCAPE DRAWING REQUIREMENTS

Where it has been determined by the Manager of Urban Design, Development and Design Division that a proposed industrial or commercial development will have minimal environmental impact on its site or surrounding area, the requirement in to have the plans stamped by a Professional Landscape Architect will be waived with the provision that it will be reinstated if satisfactory Landscape Plans have not been produced after two submissions.

2.6.1  Standard Drawing Requirements

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<td>Applicant’s and owner’s name, address, telephone number</td>
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<tr>
<td>Project name, municipal address and legal description</td>
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<td>All bearings and dimensions of the property</td>
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<td>Adjacent land use, zoning and existing structures, bus bays, stops or shelters, above and below ground utilities, municipal sidewalks, boulevards and curbs location of sidewalk, tree planting corridor, splash pad, street furniture, etc. (if streetscape plans are required)</td>
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<td>Existing and proposed easements, right-of-ways any easements on site</td>
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<td>Location of parking spaces, aisles, loading spaces and location and type of curbing</td>
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<td>All vehicular entrances, driveways, roads and fire routes</td>
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<td>Existing trees and other vegetation, including tree species, caliper, canopy and condition - larger groupings of vegetation that are to be preserved or removed are to be identified by the predominant tree species, average diameter and general condition within the zone; the outside limit of the canopy and base of trunk are to be clearly shown</td>
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<td>Landscaped areas and existing natural features and location of preservation hoarding</td>
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<td>Type and location of all hard surface areas/walkways/stairs/ramps/pervious stable surfaces/bioswales</td>
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<td>Show garbage storage and handling areas</td>
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<td>Identify neighbourhood sign locations, dimensions, setbacks and elevations</td>
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<tr>
<td>Show type, height and location of all existing and proposed free standing walls, retaining walls and fencing</td>
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<td>Show location, dimension and size of all exterior recreational amenities (at grade or rooftop)</td>
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### Site Plan Application Process Guidelines

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<th>Identify location of all building entrances/access/service areas, ground floor privacy areas and screens</th>
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<td>All items to be provided by the developer of a subdivision (e.g., fencing, streetscaping)</td>
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<td>Location of all street furniture, lighting, entry features, bicycle racks and site layout plan (if required)</td>
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<td>Show green roofs, if applicable</td>
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<td>Identify low impact development (LID) techniques being incorporated in the plans</td>
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<td>Show significant proposed grading information such as finished floor elevations, spot elevation and street grades.</td>
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#### 2.6.2 Construction Details and/or Specifications

Construction details and specifications on the items listed below should be shown on the landscape plans.

- Planting
- Garbage enclosures
- Hard surface paving and pervious stable surfaces
- Parking and signage for persons with disabilities
- Fencing and acoustic barriers
- Protective tree preservation hoarding
- Neighbourhood signs
- Site furniture (i.e., seating, bike racks etc.)
- Free standing structures (i.e., pergolas, gazebos etc.)
- Play areas and equipment
- On slab planting and structures
- Other features such as LID techniques
- Retaining walls
- Catch basin and sub-drain locations
- Drainage swales: sodded with gradually sloping banks for stabilization and easy maintenance
2.6.3 Plant Material List

Plant material is to be clearly located and labelled. A plant list is to include the following:
- legend/key
- full botanical name
- common name
- quantity
- size: caliper, height and spread

2.7 LANDSCAPE DRAWING NOTES

The following notes should be included as indicated.

2.7.1 Existing Vegetation Note

Note to be included on Landscape and Grading Plan.

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<th>Protection and Preservation of Existing Vegetation Note:</th>
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<td>All existing trees (singles and groups) which are to remain shall be fully protected with hoarding erected beyond the drip line of the tree canopy to the satisfaction of the Planning and Building Department prior to the issuance of the building permit. Areas within the hoarding shall remain undisturbed and shall not be used for the storage of building materials and equipment.</td>
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<tr>
<td>The Planning and Building Department will inspect the hoarding of trees on private property, while the Community Services Department will inspect the hoarding of public trees. Hoarding must remain in place until an inspection by the City and an appropriate removal time has been agreed upon.</td>
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<td>The developer or agents shall take every precaution necessary to prevent damage to the existing vegetation to be retained. Where limbs or portions of trees are removed to accommodate construction, they will be removed in accordance with accepted arboriculture practice. Where root systems of protected trees adjacent to construction are exposed or damaged they shall be neatly trimmed and the area backfilled with appropriate material to prevent desiccation.</td>
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<td>No open trenching shall occur through tree preservation zones (TPZ). Only directional boring can be used for service installation in these areas.</td>
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<td>Where necessary, vegetation will be given an overall pruning to restore the balance between roots and top growth, or to restore its appearance.</td>
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<td>Trees that have died or have been damaged beyond repair shall be removed and replaced at the owners’ expense with trees of a size and species approved by the Planning and Building Department.</td>
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2.7.2 Grading Note for Landscape Plan

Grading Note:

I hereby certify that the Landscape Plan conforms to the approved Site Grading Plan for this application.

_____________________________ _____________________ 
Signature of Landscape Architect    Print Name of Landscape Architect

_________________________________
Date

OR

If a Landscape Architect is not required to prepare the Landscape Plans, the following note is to be included instead of the above noted.

Grading Note:

I hereby certify that this Landscape Plan conforms to the approved Site Grading Plan for this application.

________________________  _________________________ ___ 
Signature of Landscape Architect Print Name of Landscape Architect

_________________________________
Date

2.7.3 Streetscape Note for Landscape Plan

Landscaping on Municipal Boulevard Note:

The applicant will be responsible to acquire the necessary utility stake outs and approvals from the Public Utilities Coordinating Committee (P.U.C.C.) and/or Transportation and Works Department prior to Site Plan Approval and prior to the installation of the landscape works on the municipal boulevard.
2.7.4 Owner’s Note

This note should appear on the landscape plan, if there is no landscape plan, this note should be included on the site plan drawing.

Owner’s Note:

We agree to implement the approved Site and Landscape Plans within 18 months after the execution of the Site Plan Undertaking and will retain the Landscape Architect to make periodic site inspections. Upon completion of the works we will forward to the City of Mississauga a copy of the Completion Notification Certificate from the Landscape Architect and the applicable inspection fee.

The Landscape Architect or Consulting Engineer will provide certification to indicate that:

- the recommendations outlined in the Acoustic Vibration Study have been implemented in accordance with the study;
- the Engineering Certificate lighting Plan and the LID techniques for this project have been install in accordance with the approved plans

Any revision to the Site Plan, Landscape Plans and Engineer Certified Lighting Plan (if applicable) will be submitted to the Planning and Building Department, Development and Design Division, City of Mississauga for review and approval, prior to the commencement of the works.

We hereby authorize the City, its authorized agents, servants or employees to enter upon our land to carry out inspections from time to time and agree to indemnify the City and its authorized agents and save them harmless from any and all actions arising out of the exercise by the City, its authorized agents, servants or employees of the rights hereby given to them. We undertake to notify the City forthwith of any change of ownership of the said lands.

Signature of Owner: _____________________
Name of Owner: ________________________
Address: ______________________________
Date: _________________________________
2.7.5 Owners Note for City Projects

The following note is to be included on the Landscape Plans for all City projects.

Owner's Note - City Projects:

Upon completion of the works, we will forward a copy of the Completion Notification Certificate from the Landscape Architect to the Development and Design Division, Planning and Building Department.

Any revision to the Site and Landscape Plans will be submitted to the Planning and Building Department for review and approval prior to the commencement of the works.

We hereby authorize the City, its authorized agents, servants or employees to enter upon our land to carry out inspections from time to time and agree to indemnify the City and its authorized agents, servants or employees of the rights hereby given to them. We undertake to notify the City forthwith of change of ownership of the said lands.

Department Contact Signature: _________________________
Print Name: ________________________________________
Date: _____________________________________________
APPENDIX 1 – REVIEWERS OF SITE PLAN APPLICATION

Below is a list of departments and agencies that could be circulated the site plan application, as well as a detailed list of what their review would entail.

City of Mississauga

Planning and Building Department

Development and Design Division - responsible for the coordination and review of all aspects of site design and landscaping, including building elevations, site layout, impact on adjacent land uses, natural features, streetscape, vehicular and pedestrian circulation.

Zoning Section – is responsible for reviewing the plans to ensure compliance with Zoning By-law 0225-2007, as amended, with respect to permitted uses, building setbacks, provision of required parking and loading, etc.

Plumbing Section - review Site Plans which propose the use of a private sewage system (or relocation or extension to an existing system).

Transportation and Works Department

Transportation and Infrastructure Planning - responsible for the review of grading, drainage, entrance locations, road widenings, the impact of the proposed development on existing roadways and streetscapes.

Hurontario Light Rapid Transit Project, Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Mississauga Transit - reviews transit routes, stops and other impacts on public transit.
Engineering and Works - considers the requirement for Lot Grading Approval (certification by an Ontario Land Surveyor or Professional Engineer) prior to building permit issuance.

Community Services Department

Parks Planning – is responsible for the assessment of fencing, tree protection, rehabilitation/landscape plans and grading in regard to properties adjacent to parkland and public open space and streetscape review. They review proposals for potential land dedication/easement or access requirements related to parkland or greenbelt needs.

Fire and Emergency Services - responsible for the review and approval of Fire and Emergency Services access to buildings, location of fixed fire protection equipment, water supply and the location of storage facilities for hazardous materials and community signage.

Forestry - Public trees: Responsible for the protection and preservation of City owned trees. Forestry will administrate review of the proposal as it relates to the tree inventory, tree assessment, hoarding, tree protection deposits, tree removals, tree replacement, administration fees and general arboriculture requirements. Private trees: Responsible for the administration of the Private Tree By-law (0254-12) and administer the Tree Permit Process. Information regarding the Forestry Section is available at the following link: http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/urbanforestry

Culture Division - responsible for reviewing projects that impact properties that are listed on the City’s Heritage Register or designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.
External Agencies

Region of Peel

Responsible for Regional Roads, water and sanitary sewer servicing, on-site waste storage and removal arrangements, and sanitary landfill sites

More information regarding the Region of Peel, Planning Department is available at the following link:
http://www.peelregion.ca/planning/

Conservation Authorities

Review proposals for impacts on floodplains, valley lands and bank stability, stormwater management, erosion and sedimentation

There are three conservation authorities regulating lands in Mississauga:

Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVC):
http://www.creditvalleyca.ca/planning-permits/contact-planning/

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA):
http://trca.on.ca/planning-services-permits/

Halton Region Conservation:
http://www.conservationhalton.on.ca/ShowCategory.cfm?subCatID=779

Ministry of Transportation

Responsible for review of impacts on Provincial highways and interchanges

More information regarding the Ministry of Transportation planning requirements is available at the following link:
Alectra Utilities (Enersource Hydro Mississauga)

Responsible for the review of proposals with respect to electrical service to ensure there are no on-site conflicts with site design, landscaping and service provision

More information regarding Enersource requirements is available at the following link:
http://www.enersource.com/Pages/index.aspx

Utility Companies

Bell Canada, Enbridge Gas, Rogers Cable and Enersource Hydro Mississauga - circulated to advise the utility companies of future residential developments which may require special consideration for utility connections

Canadian Nation (CN) Railway and Canadian Pacific (CP) Railway

All applications which are adjacent to or within 300 metres of a rail line

Greater Toronto Airport Authority (GTAA)

All applications for lands bounded by Eglinton Avenue to the south, Winston Churchill Boulevard to the west, the Brampton/Mississauga boundary to the north and the City of Toronto/Mississauga boundary as illustrated on Schedule 2.1.23 (Lester B. Pearson International Airport Operating Area Map) in Zoning By-law 0225-2007, as amended

More information regarding Greater Toronto Airport Authority requirements is available at the following link:
http://www.torontopearson.com/gtaa.aspx#
APPENDIX 2 – LIGHTING FIXTURES

Examples of acceptable/unacceptable lighting fixtures are noted below for information purposes.

Examples of Acceptable / Unacceptable Lighting Fixtures

Unacceptable / Discouraged
Fixtures that produce glare and light trespass

Acceptable
Fixtures that shield the light source to minimize glare and light trespass and to facilitate better vision at night

Examples of acceptable fixtures:
- Fully Shrouded Fixtures
- Fully Shrouded Wallpack & Wall Mount Fixtures
- Fully Shrouded Decorative Fixtures
- Fully Shrouded, Dark Sky Fixtures

Examples of unacceptable fixtures:
- Unshaded Floodlights
- Unshaded Wallpacks
- Unshaded Barn Light
- Unshaded Drop-Lens Fixtures
- Unshaded ‘Marine’ style Fixtures

Illustrations by Eco Design Inc.
APPENDIX 3 – STREETSCAPE TERMS OF REFERENCE

STREETSCAPE FEASIBILITY TERMS OF REFERENCE

Introduction
As outlined in the Official Plan, Section 9, Build A Desirable Urban Form, Mississauga will transform the public realm to create a strong sense of place and civic pride. A distinct character for each community will be created or enhanced through streetscape elements. Developments will contribute to pedestrian oriented streetscapes and have an urban built form that is attractive, compact and transit oriented. The public realm and the development interface with the public realm will be held to the highest design standards. The requirement to provide a Streetscape Feasibility Study for all frontages of the proposed development will be identified by the Development and Design Division of the Planning and Building Department at a pre-application Development Application Review Committee (DARC) Meeting. The study is a requirement for rezoning applications to be deemed complete.  

Appendix A illustrates the subject areas that correspond with the City’s Intensification Areas set out in the Official Plan.

The Streetscape Feasibility Study will be reviewed and approved by the Planning & Building Department in consultation with the Transportation & Works Department.

Purpose
A Streetscape Feasibility Study is a requirement of all Rezoning applications subject to Section 9 of the Official Plan and the Amended Boulevard Treatment Areas identified in the June 2016 Urban Public Realm Council Report. The purpose of the Streetscape Feasibility Study is to evaluate the adequacy of the proposed building setback by confirming that an appropriate boulevard treatment can be accommodated within the public right-of-way along the frontages of the developments in accordance with City Policies. If the below-grade streetscape trench and above-grade street tree canopy clearances cannot be accommodated within the municipal boulevard, the proposed building will require either an additional setback from the property line to accommodate the requirement or a relocation strategy for the conflict in question.
The Study will confirm that both the below-grade and above-grade requirements for the streetscape corridor can be met including any associated setbacks and/or utility relocations necessary to accommodate the corridor. The streetscape corridor and trench will accommodate the proposed Amended Boulevard Treatment to be designed and detailed through the Site Plan Application process.

Criteria

The Study will verify that a 2 m x 2 m below-grade trench and above-grade street tree canopy clearances (see figure 1) within the public right-of-way or that the utility locations will be modified to accommodate this objective. The proposed 2 m x 2 m trench shall be located a minimum of 0.75 m from the back of the municipal curb and sited parallel to the property line for the length of the development. Underground utilities that conflict with the trench will have to be relocated or the building will be required to be set back further from the property line.

The applicant is to ensure that any relocated utilities have the regulated setbacks to the trench and other utilities.

The applicant is to show the location of the proposed building (s) and provide setback dimensions to the property line in addition to showing any proposed changes to the municipal curb location (i.e. addition of layby parking).

Streetscape Feasibility Study Requirements

The applicant must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the City of Mississauga staff that the proposed trench location meets the standards set out within these Terms of Reference. To achieve this, the following plans and documents prepared, stamped and signed by a Professional Engineer are to be submitted with the Development Application;

1. Existing Utility Plan as per Appendix B Utility Plan Terms of Reference.
2. Using the base existing utility information obtained from the Utility Plan, provide a proposed Trench Location Plan that illustrates that the proposed 2 m width x 2 m depth streetscape trench extending across the entire frontage of the development site does not conflict with any above or below grade utilities in the ultimate design condition. Clearly show and label the trench and the existing utilities. The Plan shall be prepared in accordance with the following;
   i. Plans and Cross-Sections as per Appendix B criteria (i) and (ii)
ii. Prepared and stamped by a Professional Engineer.

3. Should a conflict be identified, then a proposed Utility Relocation Plan is required. This plan will clearly show and label the proposed streetscape trench and ultimate design of the utilities to be relocated. Also provide a Utility Relocation Detailed Cost Estimate summarizing all proposed utility relocation costs. The estimate shall include a summary for each of the relocated utilities, a description of the scope of work and associated cost. A letter of acknowledgement from the utilities confirming that proposed work is acceptable.

4. A letter of Acknowledgement from the owner of the property verifying that they are aware of the costs associated with the streetscape treatment that will be implemented through the site plan process.

Amended Boulevard Treatment Areas link; http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/standards
Figure 1

* Varies depending on the location. 2.8 m in the downtown area.
Appendix A  Amended Boulevard Treatment Areas
Appendix B  Terms of Reference – Existing Above and Below Grade Utility Plan

A Utility Plan is to be submitted as part of a Development Application (Rezoning / OPA / H-OZ / Site Plan / Draft Plan / Servicing Agreement and Development Agreement, where applicable).

The Utility Plan is to be based on the physical locates of all existing utilities/services within the municipal boulevard along the frontage(s) of the site. The physical locates must be obtained from test pits at reasonable intervals and/or by surface geophysics. The locates must be completed within 6 months of the submission date to ensure current information is provided.

Utilities are defined as any structures above or below ground which exist on City property and include, but are not limited to:
- buried and aerial hydro cable and ducts;
- telephone, cable, television and internet communication cables;
- trees;
- water, including underground pipes, hydrants and valves;
- sanitary and storm sewer pipes, including CBs and manholes;
- gas lines and
- meters, hand wells and vaults.

The Utility Plan package is to include both a plan drawing and cross-sections as outlined below.

(i)  Plans

The plan drawing must:
- be to a scale of 1:200 metric;
- show the limits of the development application, street line, abutting municipal boulevards, curb line, sidewalk, splash pad, street names, existing above and below ground utilities/services;
- show all relevant dimensions and offsets from the property line;
- identify all existing easements with the associated registration number; and
- have a clear legend.

(ii) Cross-Sections

Sections are to:
- be to a scale of 1:50 metric;
- illustrate the area between the property line and the curb line;
- be taken at intervals as required to depict any variation in offsets of existing utilities;
• show the vertical and horizontal locations and applicable dimensions for all existing above and below ground utilities/services.

The applicant’s consultant (Professional Engineer) is to certify on the plan that the information on this plan is complete, accurate and based on physical locates as described above.

**Note:** Further to the receipt and acceptance of the Utility Plan as part of the development application review process, the streetscape is then to be designed to the satisfaction of the City. The information on the plan will also form the basis of a PUCC submission which is required as a condition of Site Plan Approval. The applicant will be responsible for all costs associated with relocating any utilities/services as required to accommodate the streetscape design. Streetscape securities are to include these costs.

**Note:** Please check with the Utility Companies for confirmation of restrictions and minimum separation requirements required to identify utility conflicts and provide guidance for future relocation of utilities.