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City of Stratford Zone Change Process

The City of Stratford has passed a Comprehensive Zoning By-law which regulates the use of land, buildings and structures. If a proposed use is not permitted by the zoning by-law, it is possible to amend the zoning by-law. The Zone Change process is shown on the page three. The average processing time for an application ranges from 4 to 6 months. It is recommended you consult with Development Services staff before submitting any application.

Complete Application

Upon receipt of a zone change application, it is reviewed to ensure it is complete. An application must include all information necessary for Council to make a decision before it can be accepted. Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant.

Public Meeting

Once deemed complete, Notice of Application and Notice of Public Meeting will be circulated to agencies and departments, area property owners within 120m of the subject lands and advertised in the Town Crier. A Public Meeting will be held before Council to obtain input on the application. No decision on the application will be made at the Public Meeting.

Recommendation Report

With feedback from commenting agencies and the public, Development Services staff will evaluate the application against the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) and the policies contained in the City of Stratford Official Plan. Staff will submit a recommendation on the application to the Planning and Heritage Committee of Council.

Planning and Heritage Committee/Council

The Planning and Heritage Committee will consider the application and make a recommendation to Council. The Committee may accept the recommendation, alter the recommendation or refer it to staff for additional information. Approval or refusal of an application is a Decision of Council.

Appeal Process

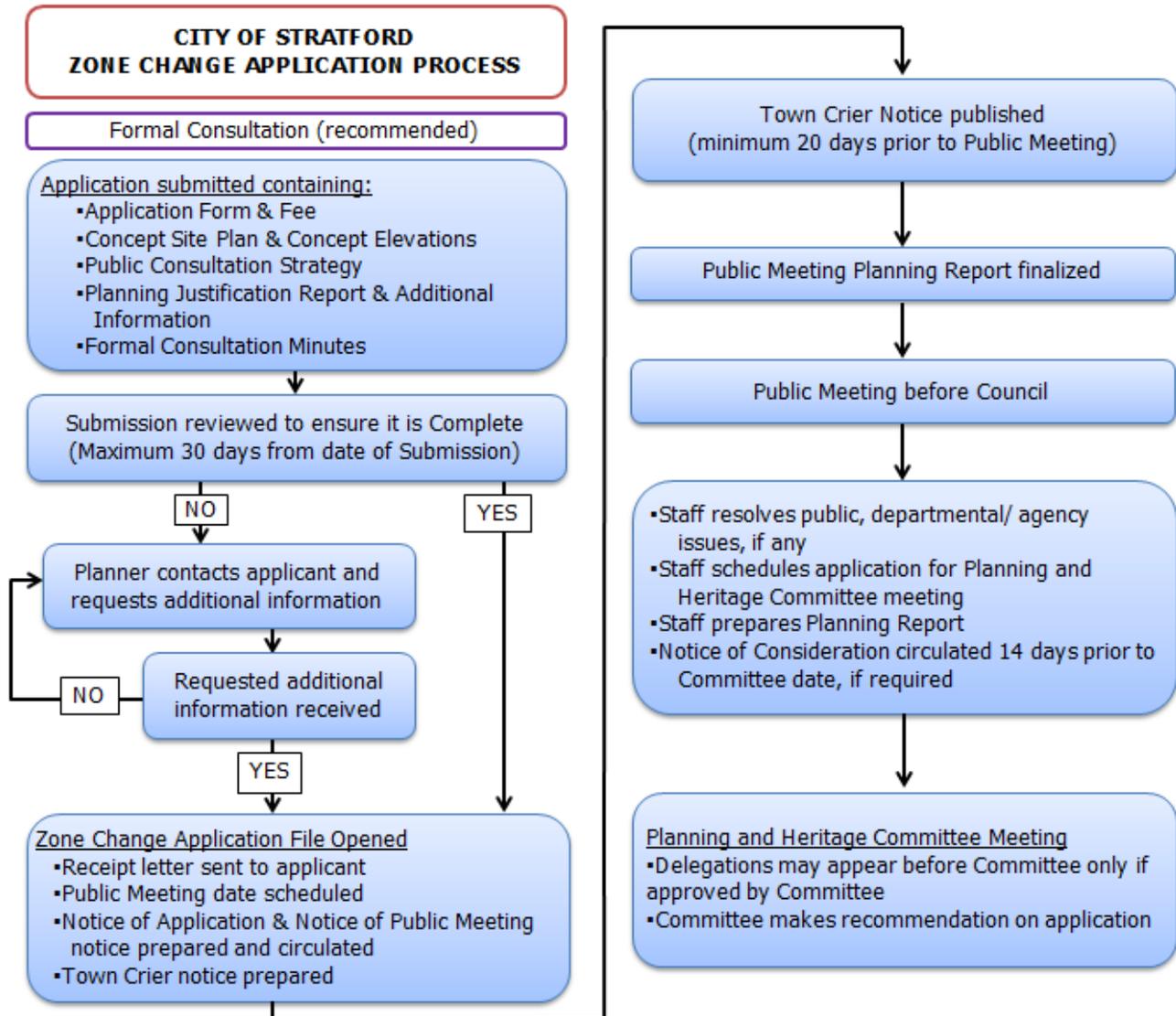
Council's Decision may be appealed to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. If no appeal is received, the By-law comes into effect after the appeal period lapses.



Contact Information

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