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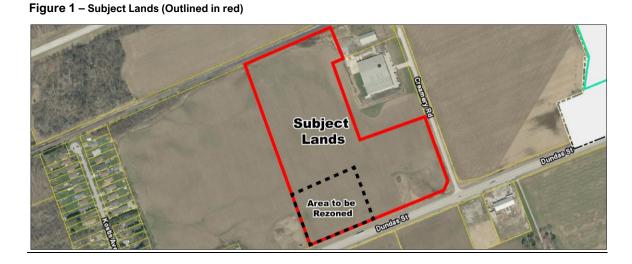
Attention: Manager, Development Services

# Re: Zoning By-law Amendment – Transport Terminal Dancor Construction 1425 Creamery Road London, ON Our File: DCR/LON/20-02

On behalf of Dancor Construction, Zelinka Priamo Ltd. is pleased to submit materials for a Zoning By-law Amendment application for the above-noted lands (the "Subject Lands") for the purpose of permitting the development of a "Transport Terminal".

# BACKGROUND

The subject lands have an area of approximately 10.93 ha (27.0 ac), a frontage of approximately 160m (524 ft) on Creamery Road, and a depth of approximately 332 m (1,089 ft). The subject lands are currently vacant (Figure 1). The area of the subject lands proposed to be rezoned has an area of approximately 18,729 m<sup>2</sup> (1.87 ha), a frontage of 154m (505 ft), and a depth of approximately 123m (403 ft).



The property is bound by a Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) corridor to the north, Creamery Road to the east, Dundas Street the south, and a vacant lot zoned for Light Industrial uses to the west. Surrounding land uses include a range of light industrial uses to the north; vacant lands zoned for industrial uses to the west; light industrial to the southwest; agricultural and residential uses to the south; and, a vacant lot planned for industrial uses to the east with residential beyond.

According to The London Plan, the subject lands are within the "Light Industrial" Place Type according to "Map '1'–Place Types"; and, are zoned "Light Industrial Zone (h17\*LI1)" in City of London Z.1 Zoning By-Law. The LI1 zone permits a wide range of industrial uses, including service and repair establishments; truck sales and service; building or contracting establishments; and warehouses. The proposed Transport Terminal is not permitted within the LI1 zone, and as such, Zoning By-Law Amendment is required.

# PLANNING HISTORY

In July of 2020, a consent application (B.029-19) proposing to sever the North Aircraft Industries building and lands from the remainder of the subject lands received approval, subject to several conditions. Condition 8 of decision B.029-19 stated that "The applicant shall obtain an Official Plan Amendment to allow for an approved alternative servicing strategy, and that Official Plan Amendment shall be in force and effect prior to the issuance of the consent Certificate(s)". Upon consultation with City of London staff, Condition 8 of B.029-19 was removed and a new, revised decision was provided on April 18, 2024. The consent application has since been finalized.

# **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT**

The subject lands are proposed to be developed for a 1-storey Transport Terminal with an area of approximately  $1,393m^2$  (15,000 ft<sup>2</sup>) (Figure 2).

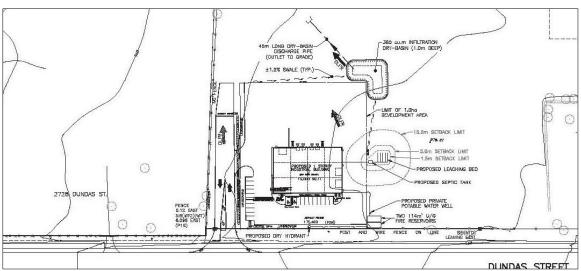


Figure 2 – Concept Plan (excerpt)

The conceptual development plan includes 15,000 ft<sup>2</sup> industrial building, outdoor storage/parking of trucks and trailers, maneuvering areas, loading docks, pedestrian sidewalks, landscaping, standard vehicular parking spaces and bicycle parking. Surface

treatment is planned to be recycled asphalt. Access to the subject lands is proposed along Dundas Street.

It is not yet determined how many truck movements will occur on the site; however, Creamery Road and Dundas Street are planned to facilitate higher volumes of traffic and transport trucks in particular.

Servicing and storm water management are proposed to be accommodated on site through a septic system, ground water well and an infiltration basin. More details are available in the "Supporting Submission Materials" section of this report, as well as the Servicing Brief prepared by Development Engineering in support of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

### Site Information and Context

### Site Statistics

Current Land Use	Vacant
Frontage	361.4 m (1,185 ft)
Depth	437.0 m (1,433 ft)
Area	11.9 ha (29.4 ac)
Shape	Irregular
Within Built Area Boundary	Yes
Within Primary Transit Area	No

### Surrounding Land Uses

North	Rail Transportation
East	Vacant Industrial Lands
South	Agricultural
West	Vacant Industrial Lands

### Proximity to Nearest Amenities

Major Intersection	Dundas Street / Crumlin Side Road	
Dedicated cycling infrastructure	N/A	
London Transit stop	N/A	
Public open space	Sovereign Woods East / 1,130 m	
Commercial area/use	1,030 m West	
Food store	Walmart / 4.3 km	
Community/recreation amenity	N/A	

### **Planning Information and Request**

### **Current Planning Information**

Current Place Type	Light Industrial
Current Special Policies	N/A
Current Zoning	Light Industrial 1, h-17

# **Requested Designation and Zone**

Requested Place Type	Light Industrial (No Change Requested)
Requested Special Policies	N/A
Requested Zoning	h-17, LI1 & LI6

### **Requested Special Provisions**

Regulation (Zone)	Proposed
Refer to Zoning Referral Form	Permit a Transport Terminal on the subject lands

### **Development Proposal Summary**

### **Development Overview**

The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment application is to permit a Transport Terminal on a portion of the subject lands.

### **Proposal Statistics**

Land use	Light Industrial
Form	Transport Terminal
Height	1 storey
Residential units	N/A
Density	N/A
Gross floor area	1,393 m <sup>2</sup>
Building coverage	1.2%
Landscape open space	-
Functional amenity space	N/A
New use being added to the local community	No

### Mobility

Parking spaces	21 surface parking spaces
Vehicle parking ratio	1.5 spaces per 100m <sup>2</sup> of GFA
New electric vehicles charging stations	0
Secured bike parking spaces	0
Secured bike parking ratio	N/A
Completes gaps in the public sidewalk	No
Connection from the site to a public sidewalk	No
Connection from the site to a multi-use path	No

### Environment

Tree removals	Unknown
Tree plantings	Unknown
Tree Protection Area	No
Loss of natural heritage features	No
Species at Risk Habitat loss	NA

Minimum Environmental Management Guideline buffer met	NA
Existing structures repurposed or reused	No
Green building features	Unknown

# PROPOSED PLANNING APPLICATIONS

## Zoning By-law Amendment

A Zoning By-Law Amendment is proposed to add the LI6 Zone to the existing LI1 zone on the southwest corner of the subject lands. The LI6 zone permits any use permitted in the LI1 Zone variation; dry cleaning and laundry plants; food, tobacco and beverage processing industries excluding meat packaging; leather and fur processing excluding tanning; repair and rental establishments; service and repair establishments; service trades; textile processing industries; any use permitted in the LI2 Zone variation; building or contracting establishments; storage depots; terminal centres; and transport terminals. No special regulations are proposed at this time.

# PLANNING ANALYSIS

# Provincial Planning Statement 2024 (PPS):

To ensure the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is consistent with the updated policies of the PPS 2024, relevant policies will be responded to with discussion on how the proposed application is consistent with stated policies below.

	Provincial Planning Statement (2024) Policy Analysis Table		
	Policy	Response	
<u>2.3.</u> 1	1 General Policies for Settlement Areas	The subject lands are located within a Settlement	
1. Settle	ement areas shall be the focus of growth and	Area, where the focus of growth and development	
	ment. Within settlement areas, growth	is directed.	
should b	be focused in, where applicable, strategic		
growth a	areas, including major transit station	The proposal will efficiently use transportation	
areas.		infrastructure including Dundas Street, Veterans	
	use patterns within settlement areas should	Memorial Parkway and Highway 401. The proposal	
	d on densities and a mix of land uses	is also freight-supportive as Transport Terminals	
which:		are a necessary component in the movement and	
,		transfer of goods and provide central and	
a)	<b>,</b>	intermediate storage locations for freight. The	
b)		proposed use also benefits from its location	
	infrastructure and public service facilities; and.	adjacent to the airport.	
c)			
/	2.8.1 Supporting a Modern Economy	The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is in	
	ning authorities shall promote economic	alignment with the employment policies of the PPS	
	ment and competitiveness by:	as the request for additional permitted industrial	
a)	providing for an appropriate mix and range	uses will allow for the subject lands to be developed	
ω,	of employment, institutional, and broader	for a greater mix/range of employment	
	mixed uses to meet long-term needs;	opportunities to the City of London.	
b)	<b>u</b>		
, í	economic base, including maintaining a	The addition of new industrial uses on site will help	
	range and choice of suitable sites for	to diversify the industrial economic/land base in the	
	employment uses which support a wide	City of London.	

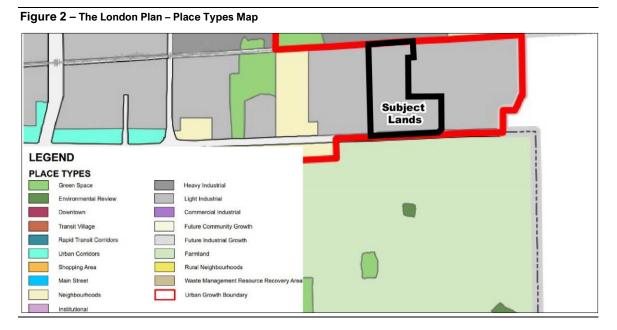
range of economic activities and ancillary uses, and take into account the needs of existing and future businesses;	The proposed use of a Transport Terminal on lands designated for industrial uses will continue to diversify the economic base along Dundas Street to support a wide range of economic activities and help meet long-term needs; and, facilitates conditions for economic investment and removes barriers to said investment by promptly permitting a compatible, dry-use.
<ul> <li><u>2.8.2 Employment Areas</u></li> <li>2. Planning authorities shall protect employment areas that are located in proximity to major goods movement facilities and corridors, including facilities and corridors identified in provincial transportation plans, for the employment area uses that require those locations.</li> <li>3. Planning authorities shall designate, protect and plan for all employment areas in settlement areas by:</li> </ul>	The proposed Transport Terminal is considered a major goods movement facility as defined by the PPS and is located close to major goods movement corridors, facilities and infrastructure (Highway 401, Veterans Memorial Parkway, The London International Airport and C.P. Rail); and, is therefore a suitable/viable location to support such a use.
<ul> <li>a) planning for employment area uses over the long-term that require those locations including manufacturing, research and development in connection with manufacturing, warehousing and goods movement, and associated retail and office uses and ancillary facilities;</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>3.6 Sewage, Water and Stormwater</li> <li>1. Planning for sewage and water services shall:         <ul> <li>a) accommodate forecasted growth in a timely manner that promotes the efficient use and optimization of existing municipal sewage services and municipal water services and existing private communal sewage services</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	As municipal sewage and water services are currently not available nor feasible for the subject lands, the temporary private servicing solution remains the feasible and financially viable option to service the subject lands on a temporary basis until municipal services are made available.
<ul> <li>and private communal water services;</li> <li>b) ensure that these services are provided in a manner that: <ol> <li>can be sustained by the water resources upon which such services rely;</li> <li>is feasible and financially viable over their life cycle;</li> <li>protects human health and safety, and the natural environment, including the quality and quantity of water; and</li> <li>aligns with comprehensive municipal planning for these services, where applicable.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	The servicing brief detailing the proposed temporary private servicing solution prepared by DevEng outlines how the proposed development can be sustained via a groundwater well, accounts for the impacts of a changing climate with the stormwater management system calculations considering 100-year storm events, and protects human health and safety, and the natural environment. Additionally, the proposed temporary private servicing solution is a feasible and financially viable servicing solution until municipal servicing is made available, and will allow efficient use of the subject lands.
3.6 Sewage, Water and Stormwater 4. Where municipal sewage services and municipal water services or private communal sewage services and private communal water services are not available, planned or feasible, individual on site sewage services and individual on-site water services may be used provided that site conditions are suitable for the long-term provision of such services with no negative impacts.	As previously mentioned, municipal servicing for the subject lands is not currently scheduled as a project under the Growth Management Implementation Strategy (GMIS), therefore, temporary private water and sewage services remain the most viable option to service the subject lands in the interim. The site conditions are suitable for the proposed temporary services, and there are

		no negative impacts anticipated on surrounding lands.
	3.6 Sewage, Water and Stormwater	There are no municipal storm sewers adjacent to
	ing for stormwater management shall:	the subject lands. To accommodate the stormwater
a)	be integrated with planning for sewage and	management requirements, an infiltration dry basin
	water services and ensure that systems are	is recommended. This would allow for above-
	optimized, retrofitted as appropriate,	ground attenuation of stormwater using a restricted
	feasible and financially viable over their full	outflow while simultaneously encouraging
<b>b</b> )	life cycle;	infiltration of runoff back into the groundwater
b)	minimize, or, where possible, prevent or reduce increases in stormwater volumes	system.
	and contaminant loads:	A pea gravel diaphragm strip between the conveyance swales and the edge of the asphalt
c)	minimize erosion and changes in water	should be included to pre-treat runoff. The fine pea
0)	balance including through the use of green	gravel acts as a filter to remove larger particles and
	infrastructure:	trash. This pre-treatment measure, combined with
d)	mitigate risks to human health, safety,	the polishing effect of the grassed swales, should
- /	property and the environment;	increase the longevity and function of the infiltration
e)	maximize the extent and function of	component of the dry-basin, as well as provide
,	vegetative and pervious surfaces;	quality control for discharge from the dry-basin.
f)	promote best practices, including	Stormwater quantity control is provided for all
	stormwater attenuation and re-use, water	storm events up to and including the 100-year
	conservation and efficiency, and low impact	return period, therefore, it is expected that no
	development; and;	further permanent erosion control measures will be
g)	align with any comprehensive municipal	required. Temporary erosion and sediment
	plans for stormwater management that	controls will still be implemented during
	consider cumulative impacts of stormwater	construction.
	from development on a watershed scale.	

Given the above, the proposed development and associated amendment is consistent with the 2024 Provincial Planning Statement.

# The London Plan (Official Plan):

The subject lands are within the Light Industrial Place Type as identified in Figure 2 on Map-1 of The London Plan.



The London Plan (Official Plan) - Place Type Policies		
Policy	Response	
<u>Section 1.1.1.3 How Will We Realize Our Vision –</u> <u>Light Industrial Place Type</u> 3. Promote a broad industrial land base in the City	As the proposed use is located near a major transportation corridor (Veterans Memorial Parkway) with convenient access to the 401 and 402, and is located in an area without water and	
of London through the provision of a wide choice of locations, lot sizes, services, and street and rail access in order to accommodate a wide range of target industrial sectors and industrial uses.	sanitary services, a Transport Terminal is a logical, dry-use that will make efficient use of available industrial lands and highway to support employment opportunities in London until services are extended to this area.	
4. Extend services in a logical fashion to maximize opportunities while growing in an efficient and cost-effective way.	The subject lands are one of a limited number of sites in London that can reasonably support a Transport Terminal with convenient access to the	
8. Capitalize upon our proximity to the 401 and 402 highway corridors by providing opportunities for highway frontage and sites that are highly accessible to these highways.	transportation corridors noted above, in addition to the abutting rail line and adjacent airport. Therefore, a Transport Terminal supports The London Plan's vision for the "Industrial" Place Types, as a high demand use. The proposed use will be able to take advantage and make use of lands in an area where it is unknown when servicing will become available, as servicing will make a wider range of development opportunities feasible in the future.	
<b>Permitted Uses In Light Industrial Place Type</b> 1115_ The following uses may be permitted in the Light Industrial Place Type:	The proposed use fits within the range of uses contemplated within the "Light Industrial" Place Type, as Transport Terminals are unlikely to impose significant impacts in regards to noise, odour,	
1. A broad range of industrial uses that are unlikely to impose significant impacts on surrounding light industrial land uses due to their emissions such as noise, odour, particulates and vibration, may be permitted.	particulates and vibration on surrounding land uses. The movement of transport trucks is an intrinsic part of most industrial areas.	

# **Evaluation Criteria For Planning Applications**

All planning and development applications will be evaluated with consideration of the use, intensity, and form that is being proposed (Policy 882). The following criteria will be used to evaluate all planning and development applications:

Evaluation Criteria for Planning and Development Applications		
Policy	Response	
1. Consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement and in accordance with all applicable legislation.	As demonstrated in this report, the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment is consistent with the intent and policies of the Provincial Planning Statement.	
2. Conformity with the Our City, Our Strategy, City Building, and Environmental policies of this Plan	The proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment conforms with a variety of key directions within the "Our Strategy" chapter of The London Plan and is generally consistent with the growth framework outlined in the "Our City" chapter in The London Plan. As no environmental features are identified on	

	the subject lands, the "Environment" chapters of The
	London Plan are not reviewed as part of this report.
3. Conformity with the policies of the place type in	As demonstrated in this report, the proposed Zoning
which they are located.	By-Law Amendment conforms to the policies of the
	"Light Industrial" Place Type.
4. Consideration of applicable guideline documents	Consideration of the applicable guideline documents
that apply to the subject lands.	has been noted above.
5. The availability of municipal services, in	The subject lands are not located near existing
conformity with the Civic Infrastructure chapter of	municipal services. A private servicing report was
this Plan and the Growth Management/Growth	requested by Staff as part of a complete application
Financing policies in the Our Tools part of this Plan.	as is detailed in the subsequent section of this report.
<ol><li>Potential impacts on adjacent and</li></ol>	a. Traffic and access management
nearby properties in the area and the	Response: The proposal is expected to slightly
degree to which such impacts can be	increase traffic in the area; however, this slight
managed and mitigated. Considering	increase is not expected to have any significant
the type of application under review,	impact on the surrounding lands, as the existing
and its context, an analysis of potential	truck routes to the proposed Transport Terminal
	already facilitate high traffic volumes. Access to the
impacts on nearby properties may	
include such things as:	subject lands is proposed via Dundas Street.
a. Traffic and access management.	Furthermore, a traffic report has not been requested
b. Noise.	by the City.
<ul> <li>c. Parking on streets or adjacent</li> </ul>	b. Noise
properties.	Response: No additional noise, beyond the noise
d. Emissions generated by the use	other permitted uses could generate, is expected
such as odour, dust, or other	from the Transport Terminal. The proposed
airborne emissions.	Transport Terminal, primarily involving the
e. Lighting.	movement and parking of transport trucks, will
f. Garbage generated by the use.	generate considerably less noise than other
g. Privacy.	permitted industrial land uses in the area impacting
h. Shadowing.	adjacent properties, such as The London
i. Visual impact.	International Airport, the C.P. railway main line, and
j. Policy Deleted.	manufacturing industries (North Aircraft Industries
k. Trees and canopy cover.	and Haymach Canada). Therefore, nearby land uses
<ol> <li>Cultural heritage resources.</li> </ol>	are generally acclimated to various heavier industrial
m. Natural heritage features and areas.	impacts, and the addition of a Transport Terminal will
n. Natural resources.	not create any unique or undue auditory impacts on
o. Other relevant matters related to	nearby lands. A Noise and Vibration Study was
use and built form	identified as a part of the complete application
	requirements; however, City Staff have confirmed
	the study can be provided at the time of Site Plan
	Approval.
	c. Parking on streets or adjacent
	properties
	Response: No parking impacts are anticipated on
	adjacent properties as the proposed development
	will provide adequate parking. No street parking is
	available along Dundas Street or Creamery Road
	and other streets are too remote to attract off-site
	parking.
	d. Emissions generated by the use
	such as odour, dust, or other
	airborne emissions
	Response: As the proposed use will involve the
	movement and parking of transport trucks and
	trailers, some emissions from trucks can be
	expected The volume of omissions concreted from
	expected. The volume of emissions generated from the proposed Transport Terminal will be minimal

compared to that of emissions generated by other land uses in the area. As mentioned above, The London International Airport is located just north of the subject lands and generates considerable emissions in the area. Notably, the subject lands are located next to two, 24-hour designated truck routes. The area currently experiences the emissions from the major transportation corridor present in the area (Dundas Street). e. Lighting <u>Response</u> : A Photometric Plan was not requested by Staff as part of a complete application. Further details will be provided through Site Plan Approval. f. Garbage generated by the use
Response: Refuse collection is proposed to handled on-site. Further details will be provided through Site Plan Approval. g. <b>Privacy</b>
<b><u>Response</u></b> : No significant or undue impacts to the privacy of abutting and adjacent lands are anticipated.
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h. Shadowing <u>Response</u> : A Shadow Study was not requested by Staff as part of a complete application. As such, the City of London does not anticipate any shadowing concerns as it relates to the proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment. The height and positioning of the proposed building is generally consistent with existing industrial development in the area. Minimal shadowing will be present on abutting lands to the east and west, consistent with this type of development. i. Visual impact <u>Response</u> : As the proposed use will involve the parking and maneuvering of transport trucks, some visual impacts are to be expected. Visual buffers, such as fencing or landscaping may be implemented to mitigate these impacts. We note that a Transport Terminal may not be the intended long-term use for these lands, as it is unknown when servicing will become available so as to feasibly allow a wider range of development opportunities on the subject lands. j. Trees and canopy cover.
<b>Response</b> : The subject lands currently contain some existing trees and overgrown vegetation. The proposed development will incorporate landscaping elements and trees where feasible. A Tree Preservation Plan (TPP) was identified as a part of the complete application requirements; however, City Staff have confirmed the TPP can be provided at the time of Site Plan Approval. k. <b>Cultural heritage resources.</b> <b>Response:</b> A Stage 1-2 Archaeological Assessment was requested by Staff as part of a complete application. No archaeological resources were found on site.

	A Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) was conducted
	for the listed heritage property located at 2907
	Dundas Street. According to the HIA, the proposed
	development at 1425 Creamery Road will have little
	to no impacts related to vibration effects to the
	adjacent identified cultural heritage resources at
	2907 Dundas Street. As the subject lands are
	proposed to be redeveloped for a "Transport
	Terminal" consisting of an industrial building with the
	parking, loading and storage of trucks and trailers, it
	has been identified that monitoring for possible
	construction/demolition impacts such as vibrations
	would occur during the construction phase of the
	proposed development will not be required
	I. Natural heritage features and
	areas.
	m. Natural resources.
	Response: Natural Heritage Features on, or adjacent
	to the site have been identified on Map 5 of the
	London Plan or based on current aerial photo
	interpretation, including, but not limited to,
	Unevaluated Vegetation Patch and potential
	Unevaluated Wetlands. The initial concept plan for
	this site showed a much more fulsome development
	encompassing almost the entirety of the parcel. As
	the proposed development concept has been scaled
	back significantly and is now limited to a small,
	southern portion of the site with a significant setback
	from the potential feature as per the attached plan,
	no impacts to the potential features are anticipated.
7. The degree to which the proposal fits within its	a. Policy goals and objectives for the
context. It must be clear that this is not intended to	place type.
mean that a proposal must be the same as	b. Policy goals and objectives expressed
development in the surrounding context. Rather, it	in the City Design chapter of this Plan.
will need to be shown that the proposal is sensitive	Response: The Zoning By-Law Amendment
to, and compatible with, its context. It should be	application has been demonstrated to conform with
recognized that the context consists of existing	the applicable policies of The London Plan. The
development as well as the planning policy goals for	proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment is appropriate
the site and surrounding area. Considering the type	for the subject lands and compatible with the existing
of application under review, and its context, an	range of uses in the surrounding area.
analysis of fit may include such things as:	c. Neighbourhood character
a. Policy goals and objectives for the	<b>Response:</b> The subject lands are an appropriate
place type.	location for a Transport Terminal by virtue of the
b. Policy goals and objectives	property's location near major goods movement
expressed in the City Design	corridors, facilities and infrastructure (Highway 401,
chapter of this Plan.	Veterans Memorial Parkway, The London
c. Neighbourhood character.	International Airport and C.P. Rail); and, is therefore
d. Streetscape character.	a suitable/viable location to support such a use. The
e. Street wall.	proposed Transport Terminal may form a symbiotic
f. Height.	relationship with other industries in the area such as
g. Density.	the London International Airport or the abutting
h. Massing.	Canadian Pacific rail line. As the proposed use is
i. Scale.	similar in nature to the existing surrounding land
j. Placement of building.	uses, the established character of the area will be
k. Setback and step-back.	generally maintained, and the proposed use will have
I. Relationship to adjacent buildings.	a positive impact on surrounding lands.
m. Proposed architectural attributes	d. Streetscape character.

# such as windows, doors, and rooflines.

n. Materials.

o. Relationship to cultural heritage resources on the site and adjacent to it.

p. Landscaping and trees.

q. Coordination of access points and connections.

**Response:** An industrial use is proposed, therefore, the subject lands will maintain streetscape compatibly with surrounding industrial uses, while increasing the range and mix of employment opportunities in the area. Additionally, the proposed developments site design and built form will positively contribute to the overall character of the streetscape.

### e. Street wall.

# f. Height.

g. Density.

**Response:** Industrial uses of varying scale are common in the surrounding context of the subject lands. The subject lands are well-suited to support the proposed Transport Terminal by virtue of abutting industrial land uses/land zoned for industrial uses and adequate setbacks from nearby residential uses. The proposed Transport Terminal will aid in establishing a street wall along this section of Dundas Street, given the withdrawn presence of most industrial facilities/uses in this area.

### h. Massing.

#### i. Scale.

### j. Placement of building.

**<u>Response</u>:** As the proposed building is oriented perpendicular to Dundas Street, the building is consistent with the positioning other existing development along Dundas Street. The scale of proposed Transport Terminal is modest and compatible with existing industrial uses and facilities in the area. Massing of the building will be determined/refined through the Site Plan Approval process.

### k. Setback and step-back.

### I. Relationship to adjacent buildings.

**Response:** Setbacks and berms adjacent to railway corridors are typically only required for residential areas, according to Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations. As the proposed industrial building is sited more than 300m from the railway, railway setbacks are not required for the proposed Transport Terminal. Appropriate setbacks for residential uses are discussed in the D-6 Guidelines section of this report.

# m. Proposed architectural attributes such as windows, doors, and rooflines.

**<u>Response:</u>** The architectural style of the proposed building will be refined through the Site Plan Approval process.

#### n. Materials.

**<u>Response</u>**: Materials of the proposed building will be refined through the Site Plan Approval process.

# o. Relationship to cultural heritage resources on the site and adjacent to it. p. Landscaping and trees.

**<u>Response</u>**: The subject lands are located near a property listed in the City's heritage registry. A

scoped heritage assessment has been undertaken and the proposed Transport Terminal will have little to no impacts related to the adjacent identified cultural heritage resources at 2907 Dundas Street. q. <b>Coordination of access points and</b> <b>connections.</b> <u><b>Response:</b></u> The subject lands are served by a Civic
Boulevard (Dundas Street) which will provide direct,
full-turns access to the subject lands via a private
driveway

Given the above, the proposed development and associated amendments are consistent with The London Plan.

# THE CITY OF LONDON ZONING BY-LAW

The subject lands are zoned "Light Industrial Zone (LI1\*h-17)" in City of London Z.1 Zoning By-Law (see Figure 3).

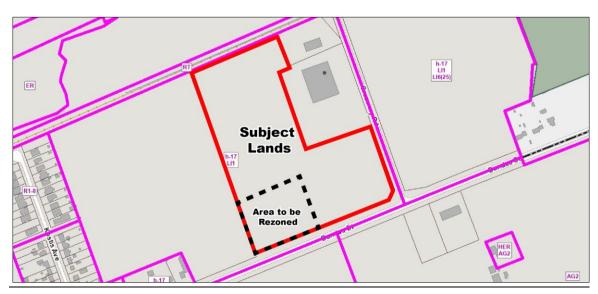


Figure 3 – City of London Zoning By-law No. Z1

The h-17 symbol is a holding zone to ensure orderly development of the lands and the adequate provision of municipal sanitary sewer and water services are available to service the site. Dry uses on individual sanitary facilities are permitted. As the proposed development meets the criteria to be considered a "dry-use", a servicing brief outlining the proposed private servicing solution is enclosed.

The proposed Transport terminal is not a listed permitted use within the LI1 zone and therefore requires a Zoning By-Law Amendment. It is proposed that the subject lands be re-zoned to add the "Light Industrial 6 (LI6)" zone to the existing "Light Industrial 1 (LI1)" zoning. The LI6 Zone permits a wide range of industrial uses and are listed as follows:

- Any use permitted in the LI1 Zone variation;
- Dry cleaning and laundry plants;
- Food, tobacco and beverage processing industries excluding meat packaging;
- Leather and fur processing excluding tanning;
- Repair and rental establishments;

- Service and repair establishments;
- Service trades;
- Textile processing industries.
- Any use permitted in the LI2 Zone variation;
- Building or contracting establishments:
- Storage depots;
- Terminal centres;
- Transport terminals.

The addition of the LI6 Zone permit will permit a wider range of use than the LI1 Zone currently permits. Some additional uses permitted by the LI6 Zone could be considered more intensive and impactful than uses permitted by the LI1 Zone; however, a Transport Terminal does not involve any processing or manufacturing, therefore, the proposed use may have significantly less impact than an industrial use typically classified within the Class 2 definition A D-6 Analysis was undertaken to address the potential impacts to surrounding land uses. Details are provided in the subsequent section of this report.

As discussed in The London Plan analysis sections of this report, the proposed Transport Terminal fulfills the planned function of the subject lands within the "Light Industrial" Place Type. Specifically, The London Plan intends for a broad range of industrial related uses to be implemented in these areas. Therefore, the proposed use is considered appropriate and desirable.

# SUPPORTING SUBMISSION MATERIALS

This planning justification report relies, in part, on the supporting submission materials as outlined below. The supporting submission materials were prepared in accordance with the submission requirements identified in the January 10, 2023, Record of Pre-Application Consultation.

# Servicing Brief

The Servicing Brief (January 2024) completed by DevEng provides an overview of a proposed private servicing solution, including the following:

Septic System

- A Class 4 Sewage System in accordance with Part 8 of the Ontario Building Code is being proposed to provide a sanitary sewer outlet for the proposed building within the development area since municipal servicing is not available.
- The septic tank and leaching bed are shown schematically on the Private Servicing Layout Plan; however, both the size and location of each will have to be confirmed during detailed design.

Private Groundwater Well

- Since a municipal watermain is not currently available for the severed parcel to utilize, a new private groundwater water well will be required.
- The existing manufacturing facility within the lands to be retained is serviced from a groundwater well which indicates that the hydrogeological setting is conducive to their use.
- The subject site is not located within a Significant Groundwater Recharge Area, a Highly Vulnerable Aquifer, Intake Protection Zone, or Wellhead Protection Area. Based on this information, it is our opinion that the subject lands could feasibly be serviced to meet the potable water demands by utilizing a groundwater well.

Storm Water Management (SWM) Strategy

- An infiltration dry basin is recommended to accommodate the SWM requirements of the Crumlin Subwatershed Drain Tributary and Catchment Area Factsheet.
- A dry infiltration basin would allow for above-ground attenuation of stormwater using a restricted outflow while simultaneously encouraging infiltration of runoff back into the groundwater system.
- Since the subject site has no underground storm sewer to which the dry-basin's controlled outflow pipe could be connected, it must discharge to grade. Given the relatively flat topography adjacent to the development area, the dry-basin must remain shallow.
- During the detailed design phase, a qualified geotechnical engineer should confirm the proposed infiltration dry-basin has adequate separation from the proposed septic leaching bed such that the groundwater mounding plume from the stormwater infiltration does not adversely affect the percolation time of the leaching bed tiles.

## Stage 1 & 2 Archaeological Assessment

The Archaeological Assessment (March 2022) completed by Lincoln Environmental Consulting Corp. includes the following:

- Stage 1; that determined the study area exhibits high potential for the identification and recovery of archaeological resources, and recommended a Stage 2 Assessment be conducted; and
- Stage 2; no archaeological resources were identified during the Stage 2 archaeological assessment of the study area, and as such no further archaeological assessment of the property is recommended.

## Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA)

The subject lands are located near a property listed in the City's heritage registry. A scoped heritage assessment has been undertaken and the proposed Transport Terminal will have little to no impacts related to the adjacent identified cultural heritage resources at 2907 Dundas Street.

# D-6 Analysis

The objective of the D6 Compatibility with Industrial Uses guideline is to prevent or minimize the encroachment of sensitive land use upon industrial land use and vice versa,

as these two types of land uses can be incompatible, due to possible adverse effects on sensitive land use created by industrial operations. These guidelines are not regulations but are rather set out with the intent to minimize and impacts.

A D6 Land Use Compatibility Analysis for the subject lands was prepared in order to determine potential impacts and influence areas for the surrounding industrial uses. The full D6 analysis is submitted with the application package.

In order to protect both the function of the industrial use as proposed and mitigate any adverse impacts on the surrounding sensitive land uses, the MOE guidelines provide suggested minimum separation distances for each class of industrial classification:

Class I: potential zone of influence 70m; minimum suggested setback 20m

Class II: potential zone of influence 300m; minimum suggested setback 70m

Class III: potential zone of influence 1000m; minimum suggested setback 300m

Due to the variations in industrial facilities, classifying each industrial facility into one of the three classes above may be difficult and prove to be inaccurate. Each industrial facility may have characteristics that span different classes, such as having outdoor storage (Class II and Class III) but is small scale and only has daytime operations (Class I). Given this information, the proposed Transport Terminal is considered a **Class II** Industrial use based on the scale of the facility.

A Class II facility has a Potential Influence Area of 300m and a Recommended Distance Separation of 70m. Mitigation measures may provide appropriate solutions in place of distance separation. Distance separation alone may not alleviate environmental impacts as per the MOE guidelines as sound dissipation has a non-linear relationship over distance; the rate of volume diminishes with increasing distance. Mitigation measures can include noise walls, vegetation, building orientation, and noise control at source. For the purpose of this study, a 300m analysis area was assessed and all sensitive land uses within 300m were identified. More specifically, lands within the 70m distance separation of the subject lands were identified, based on the minimum suggested setback from Class II facilities.

The proposed development can be described with the following characteristics, of which confirm that the use is consistent with the above-noted definition:

- According to the D-1-6 Industrial Categorization Criteria, a Transport Terminal could be classified as a Class 2 Industrial Facility, as the proposed use has the potential to produce noise; dust; vibration; outside storage; low probability of fugitive emissions (reasonably expected/predictable contaminant occurrences); shift operations; and, frequent movement of heavy trucks, with the majority of movements during daytime hours;
- Potential influence area for Class 2 Industrial Facilities is within 300 metres (4.1.1); and,
- The recommended minimum distance separation to incompatible land uses is 70 metres for Class 2 Industrial Facilities.



A 70m Minimum Distance Separation Distance and 300m Potential Influence Area from the subject lands has been identified on Figure 4. Based on the Industry Practices denoted in this report, it was determined that while a 70m Minimum Distance Separation is standard practice for a Class II industry, this separation distance can be reduced with the incorporation of mitigation measures.

Within the 300m Potential Influence Area of the subject lands, 7 sensitive land uses have been identified, 2 of which are single-detached dwellings on lots zoned with some form of Agricultural or Residential zoning; the respective zones for each lot within 300m of the subject lands has been noted on the enclosed D-6 Analysis chart. Within the 70m Minimum Distance Separation from the subject lands, 2 sensitive land uses out of the 9, have been identified, these uses are highlighted in yellow on the enclosed chart. Notably, the 70m Minimum Distance Separation area does not encompass the existing single detached dwellings present on the Agricultural lots.

The broad definition of a Class 2 facility includes certain impacts not associated the proposed use, as a Transport Terminal does not involve any processing or manufacturing.

Therefore, the proposed use may have significantly less impact than an industrial use typically classified within the Class 2 definition. Notably, the areas identified as sensitive land uses within the 300m area of influence around the subject lands are 7, single-detached, rural-residential dwellings. As previously noted, the residential dwellings in the area are generally accustomed to significant impacts from other land uses, including noise and emissions from the London International Airport, Haymach and North Aircraft Industries manufacturing as well as from Dundas Street and the C.P. Rail Line. Permitting a Transport Terminal use on the subject lands will have negligible additional impacts on surrounding land uses. Additionally, the proposed development concept is limited to approximately 12% of the total site area, thereby reducing potential to impacts to surrounding land uses even further. As such, it is our opinion that the proposed development aligns with the intent of the D6 Guidelines.

## CONCLUSIONS

It is concluded that the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment seeking to re-zone a portion of the subject lands to add the LI6 Zone to permit a Transport Terminal is appropriate for the following reasons:

- The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is consistent with the Provincial Planning Statement, and the policies and intent of The London Plan;
- The servicing brief prepared by DevEng confirms that the proposed temporary
  private groundwater well and stormwater management system can service the
  proposed development and appropriately control/accommodate the anticipated
  runoff from the impermeable areas of the subject lands, without impacts to human
  health, safety, and the natural environment;
- The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is compatible with adjacent uses and is a desirable use for the area's planned function of the Light Industrial Place Type, as the lands are located close to a provincial highway and goods movement corridor;
- The landowner agrees to connect to municipal services once they are made available; and,
- The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to permit a Transport Terminal use represents good planning practice, and there are no unacceptable adverse impacts anticipated for the subject lands or surrounding properties.

## SUBMISSION PACKAGE

Please find enclosed copies of the following materials:

- The completed application form, including authorizations;
- Private Servicing Layout/Concept Plan;
- Heritage Impact Assessment;
- D-6 Analysis;
- A Servicing Brief prepared by Development Engineering (DevEng); and,
- The application fee cheque in the amount of \$14,440 made payable to the City of London.

We trust that the enclosed information is satisfactory and we look forward to working with Staff on this file. If you have any questions, or require further information, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours very truly,

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